



“Human Trafficking - a crime with too few convictions and too many victims”

conference on prosecution of human trafficking cases and victim’s rights in legal proceedings organised in the framework of the Latvian CBSS Presidency on 21 -22 February 2019 in Riga, Latvia

Venue: Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Latvia, Čiekurkalna 1.līnija 1, k-6, Riga room 353

Conference language: English

Day 1, 21 February 2019		
09.30 – 10.00	Arrival of participants, registration, coffee & snacks	
10.00 – 10.30	Opening speeches: (TBC) Minister of the Interior of the Republic of Latvia Ms Maira Mora , Director General of the Permanent Secretariat, the Council of the Baltic Sea States Mr Juris Bone , Chairman of the Latvian CBSS Presidency, Ambassador-at-Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Latvia	
10.30 – 11.00	Key note speaker: <i>“Title of presentation”</i> Ms Valeria Galanti , Office of the EU Anti-Trafficking Coordinator	
11.00 – 11.30	<i>“Title of presentation”</i> (TBC) Eurojust – The European Union’s Judicial Cooperation Unit	
11.30 – 12.30	<i>Lunch at the cafeteria of the Ministry of the Interior</i>	
<p>Panel on prosecution: <i>Trafficking in Human Beings (THB) is a severe crime violating the human rights of victims exploited for sexual, labour and other purposes. Women, children and newly arrived irregular migrants are especially vulnerable to trafficking.</i></p> <p><i>Countries have an obligation to identify victims, and to investigate and punish perpetrators. Measures must be adopted to provide effective and appropriate protection for victims and witnesses during and after investigation and prosecution of traffickers.</i></p> <p><i>In the Baltic Sea Region, the number of convictions remains low, and does not correspond well to the number of identified victims.</i></p> <p><i>Prosecuting human trafficking cases presents many challenges. States must seek to ensure that prosecutions are not dependent upon the report or accusation made by a victim. In practice, testimony from victims frequently remains the most vital evidence during a trial.</i></p>		

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12.30 – 13.20	Key note speaker: <i>“Title of presentation”</i> Ms Anette Brunovskis , Sociologist and Researcher, Cand. Polit., University of Oslo	
13.20 – 14.00	<i>“Investigation, prosecution and trails in the “Wasp Nest Case””</i> Ms Jette Malberg , Senior Prosecutor at the Director of Public Prosecutions in Denmark	
14.00 – 14.40	<i>“Title of presentation”</i> (TBC) Judge, Lithuania	
14.40 – 15.10	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15.10 – 16.00	<i>“Operation Doubrava - An investigation into Modern Slavery bringing two countries together to protect the vulnerable”</i> Mr Carl Chetwyn , T/Detective Inspector, Modern Slavery Human Trafficking Unit (MSHTU), Derbyshire Constabulary HQ, United Kingdom – <i>[Deputy Senior investigating Officer for Operation Doubrava]</i> Mr Rick Alton , Detective Chief Inspector, Modern Slavery Human Trafficking Unit (MSHTU), Derbyshire Constabulary HQ, United Kingdom – <i>[Senior investigating Officer for Operation Doubrava]</i>	
16.00 – 16.30	<i>“Challenges in trafficking investigations - a Norwegian example”</i> Mr Jan Austad , Specialist Director, Ministry of Justice, Norway, Norwegian Delegate of the Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings of the Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS TF-THB)	<i>Investigations must be led and monitored so they result in indictments that courts can handle in an effective way.</i>
16.30 – 17.00	Selected Speaker, Call for papers for PhD students and researchers for the conference <i>“A better understanding of the complex interrelationship between trafficking in persons and conflict and the role of the military in prosecution, prevention and protection”</i> Mr Toby Fenton , Research Analyst, Trilateral Research Ltd, UK	
17.00 First day adjourn		
19.00 – 21.00	Reception hosted by the Ministry of the Interior and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the premises of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Kr.Valdemāra iela 3, Riga	
Day 2, 22 February 2019		
09.00 – 09.50	Key note speaker: <i>“Title of presentation”</i> Dr. Märta C. Johansson , Ph.D., Associate Professor in Law at the University of Örebro, Sweden	
09.50 – 10.20	<i>“Title of presentation”</i> Ms Rūta Rācene-Bērtule , Head of Strategic Analysis Division, the Office for Prevention of Laundering of Proceeds Derived from	

	Criminal Activity (The Control Service), General Prosecutor's Office, Latvia	
10.20 – 10.50	<i>Coffee break</i>	
<p>Panel on victims' rights: <i>Victims do not always enjoy the rights they are entitled to, including the right to compensation from the perpetrators. Some victims receive penalties for their involvement in unlawful activities, even though they have been compelled by the traffickers to break the law.</i></p>		
10.50 – 11.50	<p>Key note speaker: <i>"Title of presentation"</i> Mr Mark J. Kappelhoff, District Court Judge on the Fourth Judicial District Court in Hennepin County, Minnesota, USA</p>	
11.50 – 12.20	<p>Selected Speaker, Call for papers for PhD students and researchers for the conference <i>"Protecting victims of human trafficking from liability – critique of the European Approach"</i> Dr Julia Muraszekiewicz, Senior Research Analyst, Trilateral Research Ltd, UK</p>	
12.20 – 12.50	<i>Coffee break</i>	
12.50 – 13.20	<p>Selected Speaker, Call for papers for PhD students and researchers for the conference <i>"Challenges to Masculinity in Human Trafficking Assistance Programs"</i> Ms Polina Smiragina-Ingelström, PhD Candidate, The University of Sydney, External Lecturer and Researcher Justice and Human Rights, DIS Stockholm, Visiting Scholar, Department of Criminology, Stockholm University</p>	
13.20 – 13.50	<p>Selected Speaker, Call for papers for PhD students and researchers for the conference <i>"Title of presentation"</i> (TBC)</p>	
13.50 – 14.00	Closure of the conference	
14.00 – 15.00	<i>Lunch at the cafeteria of the Ministry of the Interior</i>	

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