



Action against trafficking in human beings

Measures to prevent,
protect and prosecute



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Wednesday 5 September 2007

09:00 Registration of participants

09:30 **Opening Session**

Opening addresses

Mr Armen BAIBOURTIAN, Deputy Foreign Minister, Armenia

Ms Marta REQUENA, Head of Gender Equality and Anti-Trafficking Division, Directorate General of Human Rights and Legal Affairs, Council of Europe

Chair: Ms Marta REQUENA,

Head of Gender Equality and Anti-Trafficking Division

Directorate General of Human Rights and Legal Affairs, Council of Europe

10:10 **First Session**

Actions to combat trafficking in human beings carried out by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Address by Ms Ruth-Gaby VERMOT-MANGOLD (Switzerland, SOC), Member of the Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Questions and discussion

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 **Second Session**

Prevention of trafficking in human beings

Measures on prevention of trafficking contained in the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings

Ms Klara SKRIVANKOVA, Trafficking Officer, Anti-Slavery International

The Armenian experience in preventing trafficking in human beings

Ms Lyalya ASLANYAN, Deputy Director of Migration Agency, Ministry of Territorial Administration

Measures and actions taken at national level in Romania

Ms Madalina MANEA, National Agency against Trafficking in Persons

Questions and discussion

12:30 Lunch

*Chair: Ms Anna AGHADJANIAN
Head of Human Rights and Humanitarian Issues Division
International Organizations Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Armenia*

14:00

Third Session

Protecting the victims of trafficking in human beings

Measures to protect and promote the rights of victims of trafficking contained in the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings

Mr Hallvard GORSETH, Administrator, Gender Equality and Anti-Trafficking Division, Directorate General of Human Rights and Legal Affairs, Council of Europe

The Armenian experience in protecting victims of trafficking: repatriation and assistance to victims

Ms Gulnara SHAHINIAN, Consultant, UNODC Black Sea Cooperation Project, Global programme against trafficking in human beings, Armenia

Questions and discussion

15:30–16:00

Coffee break

Measures and actions taken at national level in Georgia

Ms Ketevan KHUTSISHVILI, Head of International Relations Unit, Office of the Prosecutor

Measures and actions taken at national level in Croatia

Mr Luka MADERIC, Head of Office for Human Rights, National Coordinator for Suppression of Trafficking in Human Beings

Questions and discussion

17:30

End of first day meeting

Thursday 6 September 2007

*Chair: Ms Dziunik AGHAJANIAN
Director of the International Organizations Department,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

09:00

Fourth Session

Combating trafficking in human beings through criminal law: the criminal offence and prosecution of the perpetrators

Measures on criminalisation and prosecution contained in the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings

Ms Carmen PRIOR, Public Prosecutor, Austria, Expert for the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights, University of Vienna

The Armenian experience in criminalising trafficking and prosecuting the perpetrators

Mr Tigran PETROSYAN, Acting Head of Division for Fight against Trafficking, Principal Department for Combating Organized Crime, Republic of Armenia Police

Implementation of the Norwegian plan of action to combat human trafficking

Mr Bjorn PETTERSEN, Assistant Chief of Police, National Police Directorate, Norway

Legislation, investigation and prosecution: the Belgian experience

Mr Frederic KURZ, Deputy General Prosecutor, Head Coordinator of the Belgian THB judicial network

Ms Patsy SORENSEN, Director, Payoke NGO

Measures and actions taken at national level in the Russian Federation

Mr Evgeny V. MALYSHENKO, Senior Public Prosecutor, General Prosecutor's Office of the Russian Federation

Mr Yury F. ALEKSEEV, Acting Deputy Head of the Investigation Committee, Ministry of the Interior

Measures and actions taken at national level in Bulgaria

Mr Nedyalko Guerasimov HRISTOV, Chief Inspector "Border Police", Chief Directorate

Questions and discussion

11:30

Coffee break

12:00

Fifth Session

Regional and sub-regional cooperation in combating trafficking in human beings

The work of the Council of the Baltic Sea States in the field of action against trafficking in human beings

Mr Lars LOOF, Head of Children's Unit, Council of the Baltic Sea States Secretariat

Cooperation between Portugal and Brazil in the field of action against trafficking in human beings

Ms Isabel BURKE, Embassy of Portugal, Brazil

Questions and discussion

13:00

Closing Session

Closing addresses by:

Ms Dziunik AGHAJANIAN, Director of the International Organizations Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Armenia

Ms Marta REQUENA, Head of Gender Equality and Anti-Trafficking Division, Directorate General of Human Rights and Legal Affairs, Council of Europe

13:20

End of the Seminar