20th Alliance against Trafficking in Persons

Ending Impunity: Delivering Justice through Prosecuting Trafficking in Human Beings

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SOS Hotline Data

- 43,330 SOS calls
- 534 victims
- 83% women and girls
- 32% children
What victims need

- Courage to report the case and participate in the process
- Privacy, safety and protection before, during and after the trial
- Trust
- Legal and psycho social support during the whole process
- Strength to withstand the length of the procedure and possible repetitions
- Compensation
- Justice at last
Messages sent to victims

- Lack of implementation of existing possibilities provided by law in practice
- Lack of proactive investigation and collecting evidence
- Lack of practicing victims’ rights and victim centered approach
Especially vulnerable witness - injured trafficked persons

- Yes: 35%
- No: 65%
Plea agreement - type of criminal offence

- Mediation in prostitution: 13%
- Trafficking in minors for adoption: 87%

Plea agreement - type of sanction

- Suspended sentence: 13%
- Effective sentence: 87%
Amount of prison sentence - human trafficking

- 75%: 3-5 years
- 25%: Over 5 years
Attorney of the injured

- Yes: 32%
- No: 68%
Recommendations

- Prosecute more - More prosecutions will lead to higher rate of convictions and that will lead to the greater trust in the system
- Proactively investigate - Permanent education, proactive investigations and exchange of good practices with colleagues transnationally
- Be aware of the power you have to victims lives; Early and long term assistance to trafficked persons is key to successful prosecution
Victims’ Voices to Prosecutors

“Only now I can breathe and live again. I trust to people again. I am free again to continue with my life. Thank you for that.”

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Thank you for your attention!

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