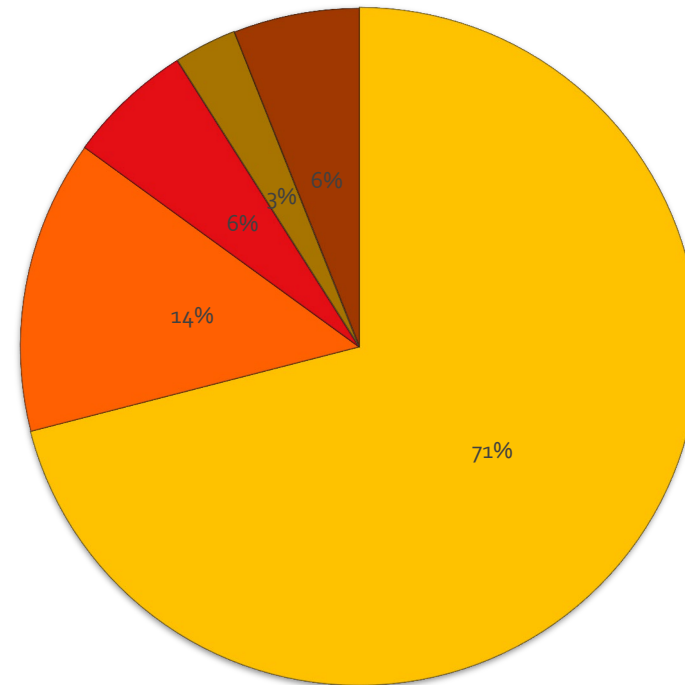


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Panel 1 – Understanding the misuse of technology to facilitate various forms of human trafficking

Most common form of exploitation in Austria

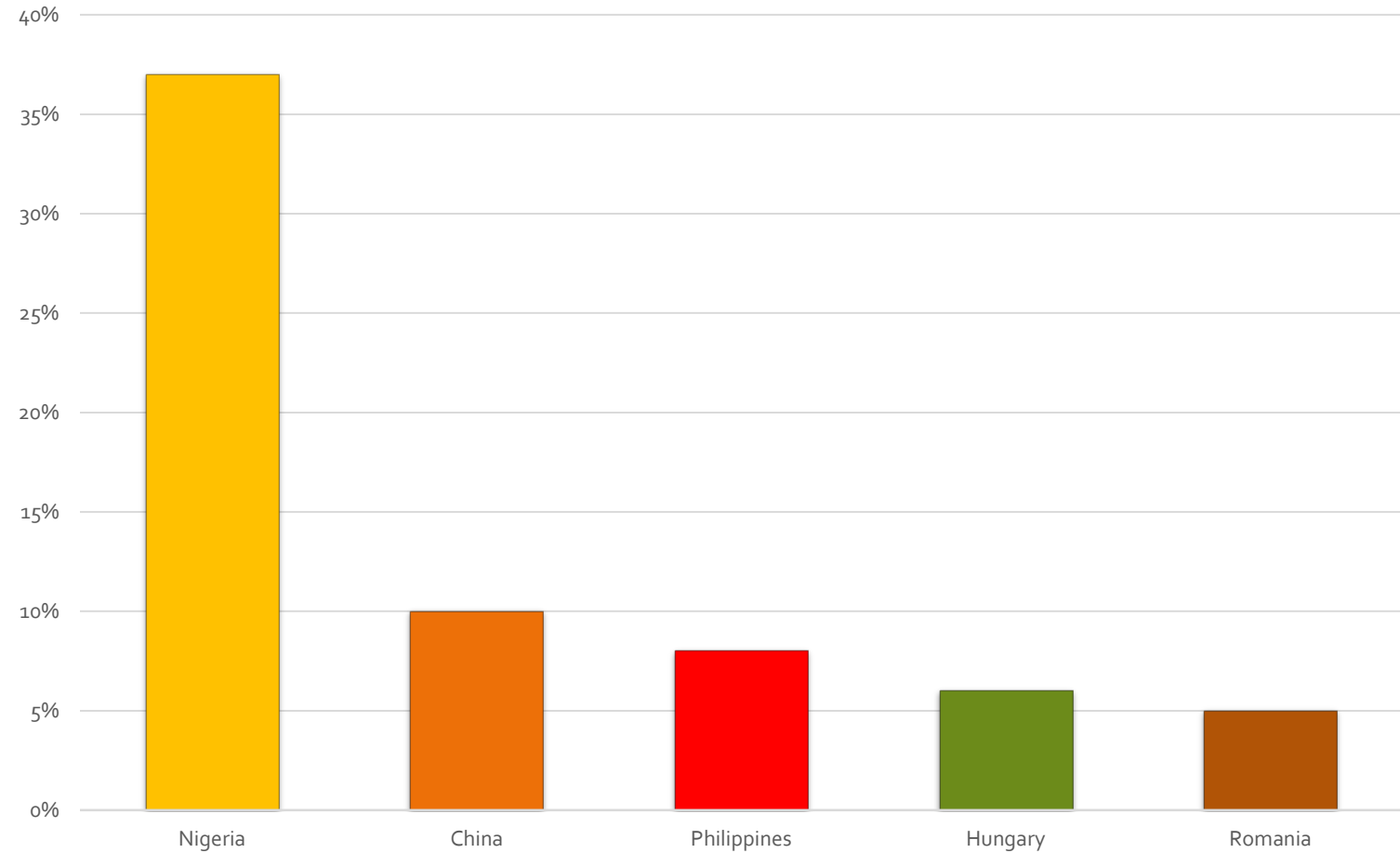
Form of exploitation of female victims
2018



■ sexual exploitation ■ domestic servitude ■ labour exploitation ■ marriage ■ other forms of exploitation

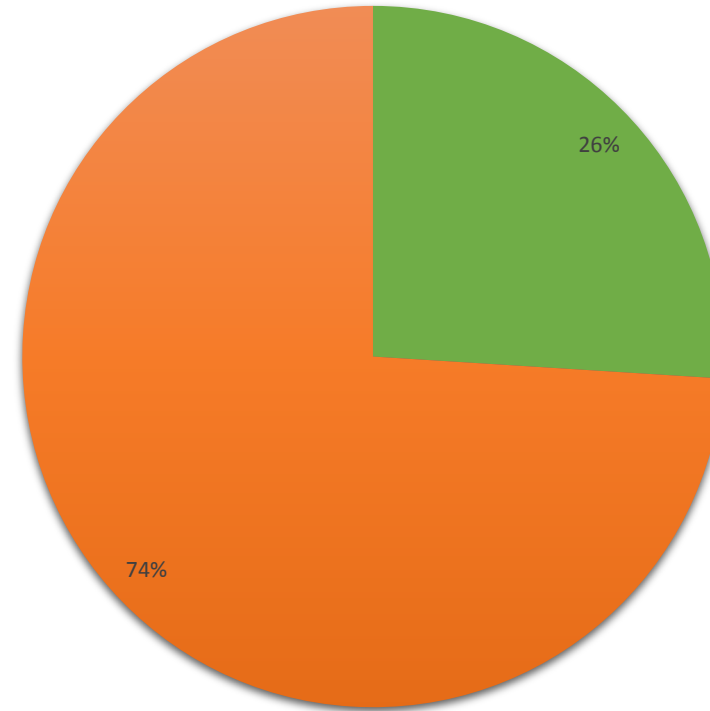
Country of origin of the victims

Top 5 nationalities in 2018
Female victims



Most common
infrastructure
used by
perpetrators

Infrastructure used by perpetrators
2017



■ Conventional

■ Internet

Major types of misuse of technology

- Recruiting
- Advertising
- Surveilling and giving instructions to the victims
- Communication between the perpetrators

Latest trends amongst perpetrators

- Using NFC- Codes
- Transferring profits by use of virtual means of payment and especially prepaid credit cards
- Organizing accommodation through accommodation-sharing platforms

Major enablers
that allow
traffickers to
misuse
technology

- Legal gaps
- General difficulty of gathering legal evidence
- Legislative regulation is not as fast as the technological development

Measures to
prevent
combat and
prosecute this
misuse

- Creating the Joint Operational Office (JOO) against Human Smuggling and Human Trafficking
- Including law enforcement officials from various states in an investigation

Lessons learned from the past & recommendations for the future

- Training, research and involvement
- Focusing on closer cooperation with organizations that are dealing with cyber crimes and banking regulations