



Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe

Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings

AGENDA

ALLIANCE AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Unprotected Work, Invisible Exploitation: Trafficking for the Purpose of Domestic Servitude

Vienna, Hofburg, Neuer Saal
17-18 June 2010

Thursday 17 June

- 12.30 – 15.00 Registration
- 14.15 – 15.00 Opening of the Exhibition *Esclavage domestique* by *Francois Alabrune*, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of France to the OSCE
- 15.00 – 15.20 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- Kairat Abdrakhmanov*, Ambassador of Kazakhstan, OSCE Chairman of the Permanent Council
- Marc Perrin de Brichambaut*, Secretary General, OSCE
- 15.20 – 16.00 **Keynote Addresses**
- Maria Grazia Giammarinaro*, OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings
- Luis CdeBaca*, Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking In Persons, US State Department
- 16.00-16.45 **Panel 1: Understanding What Domestic Servitude Is**
- This panel will provide an overview of trafficking for the purpose of domestic servitude with the aim of underlining the specific features of this form of exploitation, such as slavery-like working and social conditions, invisible work and exploitation, and particular vulnerabilities of migrant workers. The panel will illustrate the diversity of domestic servitude situations with concrete examples, e.g., cases involving adults and children exploited in private households and cases of exploitation of domestic workers by employers enjoying diplomatic immunities and privileges, as well as hereditary forms of slavery and cultural traditions that may lead to trafficking.
- i. *Gulnara Shahinian*, UN Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Slavery
- ii. *Georgina Vaz Cabral*, Adviser, OSCE
- iii. *Jose Ramirez*, ILO International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour
- Moderator: *Shivaun Scanlan*, Senior Anti-trafficking Adviser, ODIHR
- 16.45 – 17.15 Discussion
- 17.15 – 17.30 Introduction of *Jorge León* by *Geneviève Renaux*, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the OSCE
- 17.30 – 19.00 Screening of *Vous êtes servis* by *Jorge León* (60 min.) followed by a discussion
- 19.00 – 20.00 Reception

Friday, 18 June

09.00 – 10.00 Panel 2: Identification of and Assistance to Trafficked Persons for Domestic Servitude including Access to Justice

This panel will examine the specific challenges in the identification of and assistance to victims of trafficking for domestic servitude. The panel will present practical examples which illustrate the role of various actors in identification, referral and assistance, e.g., NGOs, trade unions, grass-roots communities and law enforcement. It will discuss experiences and practices in implementing: - specifically tailored outreach work by grass-roots communities; - awareness raising/information campaigns aimed at the wider public to encourage identification and referral of cases by neighbours; - specifically targeted information campaigns and training for professional groups. The panel will also illustrate the subtle means of psychological coercion and isolation used to achieve total control over the person, and will stress the importance and challenges of providing victims with social and psychological counselling and legal assistance to access justice, in particular to claim compensation through criminal, civil and labour law procedures.

- i. *Luis Gouveia*, SEF (Immigration Police), Portugal
- ii. *Siobhán O'Donoghue*, NGO Migrant Rights Centre Ireland (MRCI), Ireland
- iii. *Bénédicte Bourgeois*, NGO Comité Contre l'Esclavage Moderne (CCEM), France
- iv. *Susanne Seytter*, NGO FIZ Advocacy and Support for Migrant Women and Victims of Trafficking, Switzerland

Moderator: *Marta Requena*, Executive Secretary of the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings, Council of Europe

10.00 – 10.30 Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 - 12.00 Panel 3: Investigation and Prosecution

This panel will provide examples from participating States on challenges encountered in investigating and prosecuting cases of trafficking in human beings for domestic servitude, as well as in ensuring the protection of victims.

- i. *Raisa Botezatu*, Acting Chair Supreme Court of Justice, Moldova
- ii. *Germaine Ligoit*, Prosecutor General of Liège, Auditorat du Travail (Public Ministry of the Labour Tribunal), Belgium
- iii. *James Felte*, Prosecutor, Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit, United States Department of Justice
- iv. *Chantal Bredin*, Lieutenant, Office Central de Lutte contre le Travail Illégal (Central Office for Combating Illegal Employment), France

Moderator: *Doris Buddenberg*, Senior Manager, UNODC/UN.GIFT

12.00 – 12.30 Discussion

12.30 – 14.30 Lunch Break in Cafeteria, Hofburg, 2nd floor

14.30 – 15.30 **Panel 4: Prevention of Trafficking for Domestic Servitude**

This panel will focus on prevention policies and practices underlining the role of various actors in preventing trafficking for domestic servitude (e.g., NGO, Academic, Trade Union and Authorities). It will present public awareness raising and sensibilization campaigns to unveil the invisibility of exploitation. The speakers will discuss the impact of gender-sensitive migration policies, visa policies as well as diplomatic privileges that could unintentionally facilitate trafficking, bringing migrant domestic workers legally to the country and not protecting them appropriately.

- i. *Bridget Anderson*, Centre on Migration, Policy and Society (COMPAS), UK
- ii. *Elisabeth Tichy-Fisslberger*, Austrian National Co-ordinator on Combating THB
- iii. *Eduard Perepelkin*, Crisis Centre for adolescents and youth "Oratorium", Russian Federation
- iv. *Nivedita Prasad*, NGO Ban Ying, Germany

Moderator: *Gilbert Galanxhi*, Ambassador, Head of Permanent Mission of Albania to the International Organisations in Vienna

15.30 – 16.00 Discussion

16.00 – 16.45 **Panel 5: Lessons Learned, Ways Forward & Next Steps**

This panel will provide reflections on the issues discussed and suggest ways forward. The panel will also help devising concrete recommendations for both policy and action.

- i. *Caroline O'Reilly*, Representative of ILO Special Action Programme to Combat Forced Labour
- ii. *Petra Snelders*, NGO Rights Equality Solidarity Power Europe Cooperation Today (R.E.S.P.E.C.T), Netherlands
- iii. *Jeroen Beirnaert*, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

Moderator: *Ruth Freedom Pojman*, Deputy Co-ordinator, OSCE

16.45 – 17.15 Discussion

17.15– 17.30 **Concluding Remarks** by *Maria Grazia Giammarinaro*, OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings