

ANTI-TRAFFICKING PROJECT FUND

The ODIHR formally announced the establishment of the Anti-Trafficking Project Fund in mid-February 2001. The initiative to create the Fund was supported by a generous contribution from the United Kingdom. In addition, Cyprus, Finland, Germany, Monaco, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland have contributed to the Fund. The list below briefly summarises the ODIHR and OSCE field mission projects that have received support from the fund so far. The ODIHR continues to solicit project proposals from OSCE field missions, as well as to support OSCE field missions in designing and implementing anti-trafficking projects.

ALBANIA

Awareness Raising for Roma, Egyptians and Roma Related Groups on Trafficking in Human Beings	 To open up and generate a debate on the issue of trafficking in human beings among the Roma population and related groups. To raise awareness among Roma, with special focus on Romani women activists, about the issue of trafficking and to identify potential trainers for future awareness raising activities.
	• To empower Romani activists to work against trafficking by putting tem in contact with existing anti-trafficking networks.
<i>Apr – Sep 2003</i>	Project of the ODIHR Contact Point for Roma and Sinti Issues.

Provision of Adequate Screening for Victims of Trafficking in Albania	 To establish a small team to assist Albanian National Police (ANP) with the screening of victims of trafficking, who have been returned to Albania, pending the development of an ANP team. To improve the capacity of the ANP in dealing with victims of trafficking. To ensure that all victims of trafficking are identified and properly informed about options available to them and their rights as citizens.
Oct 2002 – Oct 2003	Project of the OSCE Presence in Albania in co-ordination with the Albanian National Police and IOM.
Women's Rights and Anti-Trafficking Education	 To raise public awareness about the problem of violence against women including domestic violence and trafficking. To empower at-risk groups to know their rights and to work to prevent and to address violence.
<i>May – Nov 2002</i>	Project of the OSCE Presence in Albania
Training of Trainers "Policing the Rights of Women"	• To contribute to combating trafficking and violence against women while ensuring witness protection and maintaining effective police procedures by training the teaching staff at the Police Training Institute and the Police Academy in Tirana.
June 2001	Original materials developed by UNHCHR in consultation with the ODIHR. Training materials further elaborated by UK police trainer. Project implemented by the OSCE Presence in Albania and the National Network against Gender Violence and Trafficking, in co-ordination with the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

ARMENIA

Study Tour for NGOs and Government on Victim Assistance	 To introduce Armenian anti-trafficking NGOs and relevant governmental agencies to international and regional best practices in victim assistance. To improve NGO-Government co-operation developing and establishing comprehensive victim assistance and to contribute to the creation of a national referral mechanism.
Jul – Aug 2003	Project of the OSCE Office in Yerevan in co-ordination with the Office of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine and La Strada Ukraine as well as Armenian governmental and non-governmental representatives.

BELARUS

Prevention Campaign and Establishment of Infoline Services	 To establish an infoline that provides counselling and information services. To create a network of already identified NGOs working together to combat trafficking and to disseminate awareness raising materials. To carry out regional awareness raising seminars for volunteers and relevant professionals.
Jan – Dec 2001	ODIHR project in partnership with La Strada Poland and the Belarusian YWCA.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Enhancing Legal Protection for Trafficking Victims	• To establish a group of defense lawyers specialized in trafficking issues, a list of whom will be distributed to all courts for ex-officio appointments of lawyers.
	• To develop guidelines for the protection of trafficked persons that will be distributed to all courts and prosecutor's offices.
Nov 2001 – Aug 2002	Project of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina in co-operation with the International Human Rights Law Group (IHRLG).
Capacity Building Project for the Anti- Trafficking Network	 To build the capacity of the RING Network of NGOs. To facilitate the establishment of a secretariat for the RING Network and empower it to take on anti-trafficking advocacy work.
	• To promote regional co-operation and approach.
Oct 2001 – Jun 2002	Project of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina in co-operation with the International Human Rights Law Group (IHRLG) and RING Network.

MONTENEGRO (SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO)

Expertise on Victim/ Witness Protection	• To inform the investigating authorities and judicial representatives about minimum standards of treatment of victim/witness in order to conduct effectively investigations and prosecutions.
	• To introduce all relevant agencies in the governmental and non- governmental sectors to the experiences of witness protection programs for trafficked persons in Western Europe.

	• To re-evaluate the existing victim protection mechanism in Montenegro according to the application of human rights norms and to elaborate recommendations for the implementation of a witness protection program for trafficked persons in Montenegro.
December 2002	ODIHR project in co-operation with the OSCE Office in Podgorica.
	
Establishment of SOS Hotline and Referral System	 To establish a hotline that provides counselling and information services. To create a solid base for a referral mechanism that involves all relevant actors of the comprehensive Victim Protection Program.
Apr 2001 – Jan 2002	ODIHR project in co-operation with the Women's Lobby of Montenegro, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and the Women's Safe House.

SERBIA (SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO)

Strengthening the Co- operation of Police and NGOs to Enhance Victim Protection	 To promote co-ordinated co-operation between NGOs and law enforcement. To establish the foundation for a system of victim protection including referrals for shelter and other services, as well as the elaboration of a witness protection program.
January 2002	Project of the OSCE Mission to FRY in co-operation with NGO and police trainers from Hannover, Germany.

GEORGIA

Review of Georgian Anti-Trafficking Legislation	• To promote the adoption of comprehensive anti-trafficking legislation covering all aspects of trafficking in human beings, including the protection of victim's rights.
	• To raise general awareness and sensitivity about the issue of trafficking in human beings among state actors and civil society as well as to enhance their co-operation.
Jul 2003 – Mar 2004	Project of the OSCE Mission to Georgia in co-ordination with the Georgian Young Lawyer's Association.

KAZAKHSTAN

Educational Programme on Trafficking in Women	• To disseminate the "Educational Programme on Trafficking in Women in Kazakhstan and Central Asia" and to conduct a training-of-trainers for NGOs from Kazakhstan.
	• To develop the educational legal programme on prevention of trafficking in women and children for law enforcement officials, border guards and judges from Kazakhstan.
	• To conduct pilot trainings using the newly developed programme and to publish the programme in two languages (Kazakh and Russian).
May 2001 – Jan 2002	Project of the OSCE Centre in Almaty in co-operation with the Crisis Center for Women and Children.

KYRGYZSTAN

Monitoring of Anti- Trafficking Awareness Raising Campaign	• To monitor and assess the social impact of the anti-trafficking information campaign.
Mar – Jun 2003	Project of the OSCE Centre in Bishkek in co-operation with the NGO Agncy of Social Technology

Public Service	• To raise public awareness.
Announcement on Trafficking in Women	• To foster preventive measures via electronic mass media outlets.
	• To provide relevant instructions and information to at-risk groups.
	• To monitor the broadcast of the PSA, as well as to survey the audience on its impact and their awareness of trafficking and related issues
Nov 2001 – Jun 2002	Project of the OSCE Centre in Bishkek in co-operation with Internews- Kyrgyzstan, IOM and the NGO Network "Women Can Do It," which was created by a project of the ODIHR Gender Unit.

Moldova

Anti-Trafficking Training Module for Police	 To develop an Anti-Trafficking Training Module for Moldovan Police. To present a final draft of the police training module and of a general strategy on how to include the module into the formal curriculum of the Police Academy.
Jan – Jun 2003	Project of the OSCE Mission to Moldova in co-operation with La Strada Moldova, the Ministry of Interior, the Academy of Police of Moldova and the NGO Initiativa Civica.

POLAND

Direct Assistance for Return and Reintegration	• To provide direct services and material aid to victims of trafficking, reintegration and return assistance to victims returning to Poland or in transit to their country of origin.
Jan – Dec 2001 May – Sept 2002	ODIHR project in co-operation with La Strada Poland.

TAJIKISTAN

Public Awareness Raising Campaign on Trafficking in Human Beings	 To raise awareness about trafficking among at-risk groups, their communities, leaders and representatives of mass media To increase the knowledge and training capacity of local NGOs on anti-trafficking issues
May 2002 – May 2003	Project of the OSCE Mission to Tajikistan.

Training for Law Enforcement and Judicial Bodies	•	To increase awareness on trafficking in human beings, including its causes and consequences, among law enforcement and judiciary. To increase their capacity to investigate and prosecute trafficking crimes while protecting the human rights of the victims.
	•	To enhance NGO-government co-operation.

	Project of the OSCE Mission to Tajikistan in co-operation with the NGO	
Nov 2001 – Mar 2002	Modar.	

UKRAINE	
Support for Regional	• To support six regional Hotlines in Ukraine.
Hotlines and Toll-Free National Hotline	• To support the lecturing, done by the Hotlines in the regions.
National Houme	• To conduct a training seminar for the Hotlines Consultants.
Jul – Dec 2003	Project of the Office of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine in co- operation with La Strada Ukraine.
Support and Training to Hotlines in Ukraine	 To support the Hotline "La Strada" in Kyiv To organize a training seminar for Hotline consultants in November
	• To publish leaflets and brochures advertising the Hotlines for awareness raising
<i>Oct</i> – <i>Dec</i> 2002	Project of the Office of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine in co- operation with La Strada Ukraine and six grassroots NGOs.
Support for Regional	• To provide effective support to victims of trafficking and their families.
NGO Hotlines Network	• To collect reliable data on working and travelling abroad for dissemination.
	• To increase public awareness about the problem of trafficking in Ukraine.
Jan 2001 – Dec 2002	ODIHR project in co-operation with the Office of the OSCE Project Co- ordinator in Ukraine, La Strada Ukraine and six grassroots NGOs.

Establishing a Witness Protection Program for Trafficked Persons in Ukraine	 To elaborate a draft witness protection program for trafficked persons in Ukraine. To enhance co-operation between law enforcement, prosecutors and NGOs.
G D 2001	 To conduct a round table training seminar for officials dealing with trafficking.
Sep – Dec 2001	Project of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine developed in co- ordination with the Ministry of Interior of Ukraine, Prosecutor General Office of Ukraine, Secret Service of Ukraine, IOM, Winrock International and ABA/ CEELI.

Uzbekistan

Anti-trafficking Research and	• To interview victims of trafficking and at-risk women who are planning to migrate from Tashkent
Education Program	 To conduct a study of advertisements To prepare a report based on the interviews and study of the advertisements
October 2002	Project of the OSCE Centre in Tashkent in co-operation with NGO SABO.

Anti-trafficking Research and Education Program	 To research the existence and extent of trafficking in Samarkand oblast To develop awareness raising materials based on research findings To conduct a survey among advocates as well as to scrutinize the role of the mass media
<i>Oct</i> – <i>Nov</i> 2002	Project of the OSCE Center in Tashkent in co-operation with NGO Ayol.

Regional Initiatives

OSCE Internal Co- ordination Meeting	• To further cultivate the co-ordination and co-operation between OSCE field missions and the ODIHR on anti-trafficking issues
	• To exchange materials and best practices on strategic approaches for concerted action to prevent and combat trafficking in human beings
	• To set priorities and discuss strategies for future OSCE anti-trafficking initiatives
February 2003	ODIHR project in co-operation with all OSCE field missions.

SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE

Monitoring of Responses to Trafficking in Human Beings	 To develop common policy approaches to trafficking in human beings in Southeastern Europe (SEE) based on international human rights standards and principles To regularly up-date and maintain an electronic database available on the web that presents an overview of the situation on trafficking in human beings, all involved actors and their contacts in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Kosovo, Montenegro and Serbia), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova and Romania To support and monitor under the framework of the Stability Pact Task Force the establishment and further development of efficient and inclusive national referral mechanisms addressing all target groups as defined in the UN Anti-Trafficking Protocol
Oct 2002 – Sep 2003	ODIHR project in co-operation with UNHCHR and UNICEF.
Responses to Trafficking in Human Beings in South Eastern Europe	 To map out the current situation, key actors, responses and anti- trafficking activities in Romania, Bulgaria and Moldova. To up-date and expand the UNICEF inventory from August 2000 covering Albania, Bosnia, Croatia, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (including Serbia, Montenegro and Kosovo) and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.
Jul 2001 – Jun 2002	ODIHR project in co-operation with UNHCHR and UNICEF.
Activities of the Stability Pact Task Force on Trafficking in Human Beings Apr – Dec 2001	 To design and to better co-ordinate activities to combat trafficking in human beings in the Stability Pact countries. To facilitate communication among all relevant institutions and bodies to combat trafficking in human beings in South Eastern Europe.

COUNTRIES OF DESTINATION

Transforming International and Regional Anti- Trafficking Standards into National Legislation	 To compile and update research on the status of anti-trafficking legislation in destination countries and to identify potential NGO partners To develop NGO advocacy materials to push for implementation of the UN Anti-Trafficking Protocol and EU Council Framework Decision on Combating Trafficking in Human Beings in national legislation
	• To more closely co-ordinate OSCE legislative review and reform efforts with the CoE, UNHCHR, EC, as well as with international and national NGOs
Jan – Dec 2003	ODIHR project in co-operation with Anti-Slavery International.
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Handbook on Guidelines and Principles to Design	• To elaborate guidelines and principles for the design and improved implementation of National Referral Mechanisms (NRM) including an overview of the necessary legal framework to be established
and Implement National Referral Mechanisms	• To promote and ensure the inclusion of human rights protections in NRMs, as well as the adoption of human rights based policies and approaches particularly in European Union member states
Feb – Oct 2003	• To develop training methodology for state authorities, non-governmental organisations and international organisations involved in creating, implementing and monitoring NRMs
"Europe against Trafficking in	• To raise awareness about the problem of trafficking in human beings in countries of destination

"Europe against Trafficking in Persons" Berlin Conference, 15-16 October 2001	 To raise awareness about the problem of trafficking in human beings in countries of destination. To exchange materials and best practices in the areas of prevention, prosecution and protection. To set priorities for future OSCE anti-trafficking initiatives in countries of destination.
Sept – Nov 2001	ODIHR project in co-operation with the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs.