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FIU - the Netherlands

Human Trafficking – Sexual Exploitation

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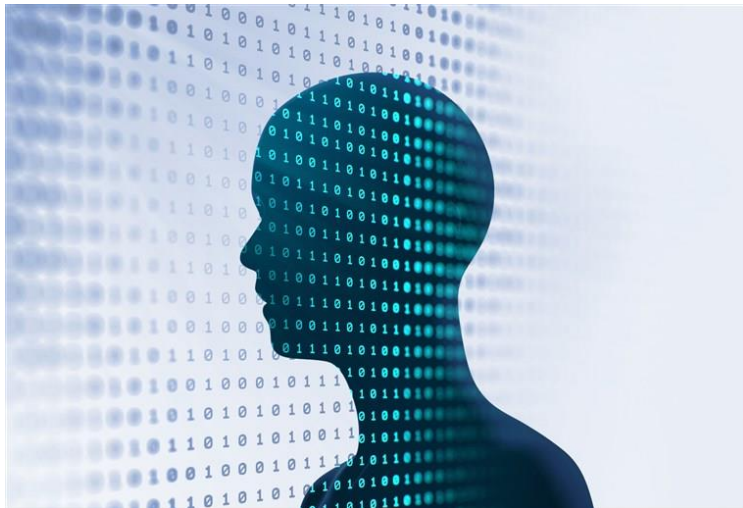


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Objectives

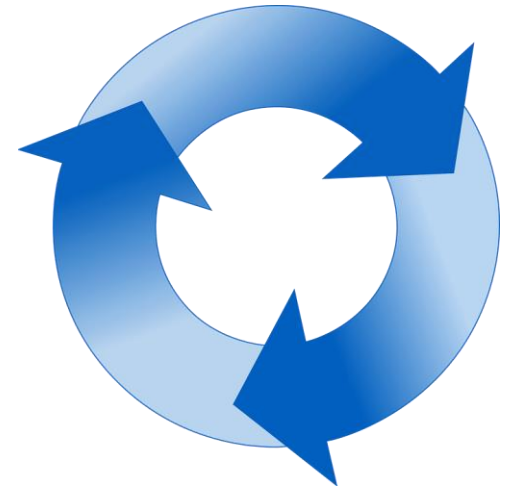
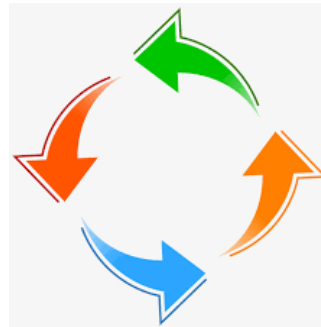
- Produce better financial intelligence to detect and investigate cases of human trafficking
 - Detect victims
 - Support prosecution of traffickers





Approach FIU - NL

- Understand the crime
- Study Literature, publications and prosecutions
- Develop hypotheses on the potential financial angle of the crime
- Translate hypotheses into queries
- Identify what data are needed, next to data in FIU-database
- Analyse results of the queries
- Conclude and amend hypotheses where needed





Cooperation

- Information position
 - Red flags and typologies
 - Inform reporting entities
- Provide useable information for law enforcement
- Activate network partners in using and acquiring financial intelligence
- Joint analysis together with other European FIUs





Focal points: sexual exploitation

Non financial characteristics:

- Nationalities
 - Romania, Hungary, Bulgaria, Nigeria (Albania, Moldavia, Ukraine)
- Countries of origin & known hubs
- Transit countries
- Destination countries

Financial characteristics:

- Money transfers towards country of origin
- High frequency money transfers
- Transaction description



Operational methods

Queries

- Money transfers: nationalities/country of origin
- Transaction descriptions reporting entities
- Bank transactions (work in progress)

Reactive matching

- Based on subjects from police investigations
- Match3: matching with other FIU's

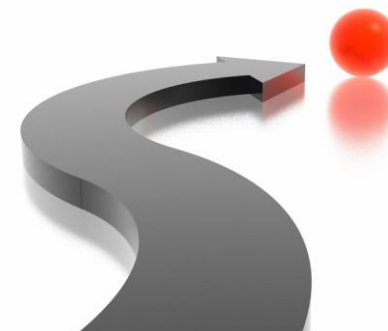






The way forward in querying

- Analysis on hits
 - Persons
 - Characteristics of transactions
 - Characteristics of transaction patterns
- Cooperation with reporting entities
 - To improve ways of reporting
 - To find new ways to uncover human trafficking





Challenges for the future

- Improving FIU capacities
 - IT tooling for joint analysis
 - AI to be able to process large databases
 - IT tools for all FIUs available
- Follow the money?
 - Cooperation with 'destination countries' FIUs
- Dilemma
 - Access to relevant databases
 - Technical possibilities vs legal impediments





Thank you for your attention

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