

Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe

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

ALLIANCE AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS
"An Agenda for Prevention: Non-Discrimination and Empowerment" (11-12 October 2012)

SIDE EVENT

ARTS AND CULTURE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST SLAVERY

12 October 2012, 13:45 – 14:45, Room 201, Hofburg

English language only

Art und culture can be a creative and effective means to raise awareness about trafficking in human beings with the general public and civil society. This event presents three initiatives developed by OSCE participating States and its Partners for Co-operation.

The **City of Nantes** created one of the largest monuments in the world dedicated to slave trading, slavery and its abolition, in recognition of its role as France's largest slave port in the 18th century. The Memorial to the Abolition of Slavery uses art and intercultural exchanges to raise awareness about the city's history and the fight against slavery through the ages.

The **NGO "Leader"** (Kyrgyzstan) is using theatre – with local university students and unemployed persons – as a tool to raise awareness about human trafficking as part of an information campaign on the issue. Each performance is followed by discussions which allow in-depth exchange of information and opinions with the audience.

The Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center, based in Haifa (Israel), conducts training seminars in the socio-economic area, with an emphasis on gender equality and community development. In May 2012, the training centre held a seminar on the fight against human trafficking, with a focus on the relationship between government and non-governmental organizations and related dilemmas and challenges.

The presentations will be followed by a discussion.

Ms. Françoise Vergès

President of the Committee for the Memory and History of Slavery, France

Ms. Elmira Khasanova

NGO "Leader", Karakol, Kyrgyzstan

Ms. Hava Karrie

Deputy Director, Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center, Israel

Special guest:

American singer and actress Carole Alston

Currently appearing in Black Pearl Sings as Alberta "Pearl" Johnson at Vienna's English Theatre

This side event will be chaired by Maria Grazia Giammarinaro, OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings.



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OSCE PROJECT: "PREVENTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN CHILDREN WITHOUT PARENTAL CARE IN THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA"

12 October 2012, 13:45 - 14:45, Room 525, Hofburg

English language only

Together with several local organizations, the OSCE has set up an 18-month project, *Preventing human trafficking in children without parental care in the Republic of Moldova*, targeting 133 residential school graduates in the districts of Bender, Orhei and Leova. It teaches professional and life skills to children without parental care in order to contribute to the prevention of trafficking in human beings and irregular migration from Moldova.

The side event will provide an overview of the project. Speakers will discuss the achievements, lessons learned, challenges and its concrete impact on the children. More specifically, the project led to the creation of the photo exhibition "Human Trafficking through Children's Eyes". The photographer will describe how he worked with the children and the training affected them.

The presentation will be followed by a discussion.

Chair: Ambassador Elena Molaroni, Deputy Head of Delegation of the Republic of San Marino.

- Screening of short video on the project
- Aliona Stepan, Project coordinator, Child Rights Information Center of Moldova
- Oleg Culea, Photographer

The OSCE project is implemented by the Child Rights Information Centre Moldova in partnership with Moldova's Education Ministry and the Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family, with the financial support of the Principalities of Andorra, Liechtenstein and Monaco and the Republic of San Marino.