



## **Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe**

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#### **“Coordination of Victim-Witness in Trial” Structure of the presentation**

##### **Introduction**

General data about Romania

##### **The Coordination project**

- Aims of the project
- Targeted group
- Objectives of the project
  - ✓ Increase the number of victims of trafficking who institute civil action, witness or injured party, in a criminal case;
  - ✓ Increase the level of participation of victims of trafficking in the prosecutorial stages and the criminal trial;
  - ✓ Monitor the observance of the victim's rights throughout all phases of the trial;
  - ✓ Inform victims about the applicable court and administrative proceedings;
  - ✓ Offer trafficked victims coming into contact with the investigative bodies information about the services they can apply to for specialized assistance;
- Partners in the project
- Activities
  - ✓ regional seminars to promote the program nationally;
  - ✓ participants;
  - ✓ topics of discussions.
- The ANITP Regional Centers
  - ✓ Organization and responsibilities;
  - ✓ Mandate in the project:
- Current activities which can be performed within the cooperation:
  - ✓ The investigation and criminal prosecution phase
  - ✓ The trial phase
- **Results**

During 2007, out of the total number of **837** victims initially evaluated by the regional centers, **808 victims** accepted to participate as injured parties or witnesses in trial.

- **Costs and financing**

#### **Concluding remarks**

**The presentation is to be improved by the time of the event.**