





AGENDA

Regional Expert Group Meeting: "Addressing risks, threats and forms of trafficking in persons caused by the conflict in Ukraine"

Bucharest, Romania 28-29 March 2023

Hybrid format with in-person and online attendance

Implemented by UNODC in collaboration with the National Agency against Trafficking in Persons within the Ministry of Interior of Romania, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sweden and the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs of France

Day 1 – 28 March 2023

09:00-09:30	Registration of participants
09:30-10:00	Welcoming remarks
	Moderator <i>Mr. Davor Raus</i> , Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UNODC
	 Speakers Ms. Maria Cristina Stepanescu, Acting Director, National Agency Against Trafficking in Persons, Romania H.E. Ms. Therese Hydén, Ambassador, Embassy of Sweden in Bucharest H.E. Ms. Laurence Auer, Ambassador, Embassy of France in Romania Ms. Harsheth Virk, Head of Office, UNODC Ukraine
10:00-10:15	Group photo
10:15-10:30	Session 1: Presentation of REGM concept, methodology and participants & pre-evaluation questionnaire
	Session objective: to present the key aims relating to the REGM and tour de table introduction of the participants
	 Speaker Mr. Davor Raus, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UNODC
10:30-11:30	Session 2: Perspective of international and regional organizations - International legal framework on addressing trafficking in persons in armed conflict, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine
	Session objective: to provide participants with better understanding of international legal framework, instruments and tools in cross-border cooperation on trafficking in persons in armed conflict, particularly among persons affected by war in Ukraine







	 Moderator Mr. Davor Raus, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UNODC Speakers Ms. Lucie Laffont, Anti-trafficking team, Unit D5 – Organised Crime and Drugs Policy, European Commission (online) Ms. Harsheth Virk, Head of Office, UNODC Ukraine Ms. Sandra Berty, GBV Officer and THB Focal Point, Regional Bureau for Europe, UNHCR (online) Ms. Tetiana Rudenko, Senior Co-ordination Adviser, Office of Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, OSCE Ms. Parvine Ghadami. Lawyer, GRETA Secretariat, Council of Europe (online)
11:30-11:45	Coffee break
11:45-12:45	Session 3: Combating trafficking in persons in armed conflict, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine – perspective of international and regional justice and home affairs institutions Session objective: representatives of international and regional justice and home affairs institutions will present their mandate and efforts in addressing trafficking in persons in armed conflict, particularly among persons affected by war in Ukraine
	Moderator Mr. Erwann Tor, Magistrate, Regional expert on «fight against trafficking in human beings and related crimes», Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations and the International Organisations in Vienna
	 Speakers Mr. Sasa Gosic, Criminal Intelligence Officer, Human Trafficking and Smuggling of Migrants Unit, Interpol Mr. Gerald Tatzgern, Brigadier, JOO – Joint Operational Office, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Austria (online) Mr. Shawn Kohl, Director, European Anti-Trafficking Program, International Justice Mission Ms. Diane Reynders, Senior Advisor on Prosecutorial Reform, EU Assistance Mission in Ukraine (online) Mr. Romulus Ungureanu, Director of Operations, SELEC
12:45-13:30	Session 4 (Part I): Victim-centered approach to identification, investigation and prosecution of trafficking in persons in armed conflict in SEE, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine – criminal justice and law enforcement perspective Session objective: to provide participants with a better understanding of practical examples of good practices, challenges and lessons learned of identifying, investigating and prosecuting trafficking in persons in armed conflict, particularly among persons affected by war in Ukraine
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	 Speakers Mr. Maksym Fedorchuk, Deputy Head, Second Division (counteraction human trafficking), Migration Police Department, National Police of Ukraine Mr. Iulian Merezeanu, Head of Unit for Combating Trafficking In Persons, General Inspectorate of Romanian Police Ms. Jackie Francheteau, Deputy Chief, Law Enforcement Agency against trafficking in human beings, OCRTEH, France
13:30-14:30	Lunch break
14:30-16:00	Session 4 (Part II): Victim-centered approach to identification, investigation and prosecution of trafficking in persons in armed conflict in SEE, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine – criminal justice and law enforcement perspective
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	 Speakers Ms. Zyhdi Mema, Head of Sector of Risk Analysis and Implementation of Supplementary Measures for Territory Control, Border and Migration Department, Ministry of Interior, Albania Mr. Ahmed Mesic, Public Prosecutor, Chief of Section for combating THB & SOM, State Public Prosecutor's Office, BiH Ms. Elitsa Kalpachka, Deputy Head, District Prosecutor's Office in Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria Mr. Alen Tahiri, Director, National Anti-Trafficking Coordinator, Office for Human Rights and Rights of National Minorities, Croatia Ms. Sebahate Sinani, Basic Prosecutor's Office in Ferizaj, Kosovo UNSCR 1244
16:00-16:15	Coffee break
16:15-17:15	 Session 4 (Part III): Victim-centered approach to identification, investigation and prosecution of trafficking in persons in armed conflict in SEE, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine – criminal justice and law enforcement perspective Session objective: to provide participants with a better understanding of practical examples of good practices, challenges and lessons learned of identifying, investigating and prosecuting trafficking in persons in armed conflict, particularly among persons affected by war in Ukraine Moderator Mr. Davor Raus, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UNODC Speakers
	 Ms. Areti Skafida, Vice Prosecutor, Court of Appeal of Piraeus, Greece (online)







	 Ms. Tijana Sukovic, Head of Department for Fight Against Trafficking in Human Beings, Ministry of the Interior, Montenegro (online) Mr. Artan Ali, Inspector in the Communications Monitoring Unit, Ministry of Interior, North Macedonia Ms. Cristina Schimbov, Head of the Child and Organ Trafficking Investigation Section, Center for Combating Human Trafficking of the National Investigative Inspectorate of the GPI of the MIA, Moldova
17:15-17:30	Closure of Day 1 Moderator <i>Mr. Davor Raus</i> , Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UNODC

Day 2 – 29 March 2023

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09:30-10:30	Session 5: Recent research, analysis and contemporary approaches to address trafficking in persons in armed conflict, especially among persons affected by war in Ukraine
	Session objective: to provide participants with better understanding of recent research and analysis publications on trafficking in persons in armed conflict, particularly among persons affected by war in Ukraine
	Moderator <i>Mr. Davor Raus</i> , Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UNODC
	 Speakers Ms. Claire Healy, Research Officer, Crime Research Section, Research and Analysis Branch, UNODC (online) Ms. Heather Komenda, Migrant Protection and Assistance Specialist, IOM Regional Office for South-Eastern Europe, Eastern Europe and Central Asia Ms. Anniina Jokinen, Senior Programme Officer, HEUNI (online) Ms. Tereza Borodenchyk, Assistant Project Officer, OSCE/ODIHR Ms. Suzanne Hoff, International Coordinator, La Strada International (online)
10:00-11:00	Session 6 (Part I): Exchange of experience and practice on the latest trends, policy and legislative initiatives, modus operandi and challenges in addressing trafficking in persons in armed conflict, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine – NRM and victim protection and assistance perspective
	Session objective: To provide participants with better understanding of practical examples of good practices, challenges and lessons learnt from prevention of trafficking in persons, referral of victims affected by war in Ukraine and provision of protection and assistance services
	Moderator <i>Mr. Erwann Tor</i> , Magistrate, Regional expert on «fight against trafficking in human beings and related crimes», Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations and the International Organisations in Vienna
	Speakers ➢ Ukraine







	 Ms. Anna Maria Tamas Ilinca, Acting Head of the Monitoring, Evaluation and Victim Coordination Unit, ANITP & Mr. Marius Dogeanu, Expert, Department for Emergency Situations, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Romania Ms. Kamelia Dimitrova, CEO, Dignita Bulgaria (online) Ms. Jessica Gourmelen, Charge de mission THB, National Anti-Trafficking Coordination Agency, MIPROF, France (online)
11:00-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-13:00	Session 6 (Part II): Exchange of experience and practice on the latest trends, policy and legislative initiatives, modus operandi and challenges in addressing trafficking in persons in armed conflict, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine – NRM and victim protection and assistance perspective
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	 Speakers Ms. Alket Pashaj, Specialist of the Sector against illegal traffic, DVP Tirana, Albania Mr. Sanin Prasovic, Expert Advisor, Ministry of Security, BiH Ms. Lyubka Kostadinova, Secretary, Local Commission for Combating THB in Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria Mr. Sven Novosel, Professional Associate, Red Cross Croatia
13:00-14:00	Lunch break
14:00-15:00	Session 6 (Part III): Exchange of experience and practice on the latest trends, policy and legislative initiatives, modus operandi and challenges in addressing trafficking in persons in armed conflict, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine – NRM and victim protection and assistance perspective Session objective: To provide participants with better understanding of practical examples of good practices, challenges and lessons learnt from prevention of trafficking in persons, referral of victims affected by war in Ukraine and provision of protection and assistance services
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	 Speakers Mr. Vladan Djalovic, State Prosecutor, Higher State Prosecutor's Office in Bijelo Polje, Montenegro (online) Ms. Marija Isaevska Ristovska, Director of Center for Social Work, Social worker, Ministry of Social Work, North Macedonia Ms. Mariana Soltan, Main Consultant, Gender Equality Policy Directorate, Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, Moldova







	 Mr. Dimitrios TIAKOUDAS, Lieutenant, Anti-Trafficking Department of Thessaloniki, Greece (online) Ms. Jelena Zivojinovic, Head of Shelter, Centre for Human Trafficking Victims Protection, Serbia
15:00-15:15	Coffee break
15:15-16:30	 Session 7: Civil society experiences concerning trafficking in persons in armed conflict, especially among persons affected by conflict in Ukraine Session objective: To provide participants with better understanding of practical examples of good practices, challenges and lessons learnt from civil society perspective in addressing trafficking in persons in armed conflict, particularly among persons affected by war in Ukraine Moderator Mr. Davor Raus, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UNODC Speakers Ms. Kateryna Cherepakha, President, La Strada Ukraine (online) Ms. Mirabela Vasile, Legal Counselor, eLiberare Romania Ms. Susanne Lindered, Coordinator, Swedish Platform Civil Society against Human Trafficking Ms. Natalia Holynska, Anti-trafficking project manager, Caritas Ukraine Ms. Marija Pantelic, Project Coordinator, Atina Serbia
16:30-17:00	 Conclusions and Closure of REGM Moderator Mr. Davor Raus, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UNODC Speakers Mr. Eliodor Tanislav, Head of the International Relations and Project Implementation Unit, National Agency Against Trafficking in Persons, Romania Mr. Erwann Tor, Magistrate, Regional expert on « fight against trafficking in human beings and related crimes », Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations and the International Organisations in Vienna Ms. Harsheth Virk, Head of Office, UNODC Ukraine