



Terms of reference for the research Inventory and development of draft version of an impact assessment tool on human rights and anti-trafficking

**Project " Assessment of the human rights impact of anti trafficking laws and measures",
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I. Background

In January 2009 *Aim for human rights* and its project partners SCOT-PEP, La Strada International and La Strada Czech Republic in consultation with GAATW, Anti Slavery international and organisations working in the field of human rights, sex workers rights and migrant workers rights, start the 2-year project "Assessment of the human rights impact of anti trafficking laws and measures". The project is funded by the EU through the Daphne III program.

The purpose of the project is to:

1. provide NGOs with an instrument to analyse the human rights impact of anti-trafficking laws and measures. The instrument will contain practical guidelines and indicators to measure the impact on trafficked persons as well as other groups that are affected by anti-trafficking policies. NGOs will use the outcomes to lobby national governments and other relevant actors for policies that effectively respect and protect the human rights of the people concerned. In addition, the outcomes may be used as an input to, for example, shadow reports on the implementation of the core human rights treaties;
2. establish a sustainable structure to distribute the instrument and to support (grassroots) organisations in the application of the tool;
3. increase awareness and expertise on the human rights impact of anti-trafficking laws and measures. The application of the instrument should in itself have an awareness raising and mobilising effect for the users of the instrument and other involved groups, as well as for policy makers.

One of the first activities is an inventarisation of existing experiences related to human rights and anti-trafficking measures, leading to a draft tool to assess the impact of such measures. *Aim for human rights* invites experts to submit an offer for this assignment.

II. Specification of activities

The assignment includes the following activities:

Step 1. Inventory and analysis of existing experiences and knowledge (year 1)

An inventory and analysis will be made of existing human rights impact instruments in other areas, as well as existing experience on the human rights impact of anti-trafficking laws and measures. The aim is to make maximum use of existing knowledge. The inventory will be coordinated by an expert on human rights and human trafficking, with input from groups working in the field of anti-trafficking, migrants' rights, sex workers' rights and human rights in various countries.

Activity 1.1: Research and consultation

Activity 1.2: Writing of the report

Result: Outcome of step 1 will be a report detailing existing experiences with regard to the development of human rights impact instruments, as well existing knowledge about the human rights impact of anti-trafficking legislation in Europe on various groups.

Step 2. Development of the conceptual framework & draft version of the instrument (year 1)

In step 2 the conceptual framework and the draft version of the instrument will be developed. During the development of the draft, various groups, including those who participated in the international consultation meeting in June 2007, will be asked to give input or comment on choices made.

The (draft) instrument will contain a set of clearly defined steps, which NGOs and other users can take to assess the human rights impact of anti-trafficking policies. This includes clear instructions for NGOs how to use the instrument, information on relevant human rights norms and standards, indicators, possible resources, methods of data collection, examples and explanations.

Activity 2.1: An analysis of the most relevant human rights which are involved in preventing and combating trafficking and in protecting the rights of the groups directly and indirectly affected. The analysis will make use of the inventory (step 1) and the outcomes of the international consultation in 2007;

Activity 2.2: Closer identification of the groups most likely to be directly or indirectly affected by laws and measures to prevent and combat trafficking;

Activity 2.3: Development and selection of indicators, possible resources and methods of data collection;

Activity 2.4: Conversion of the above into a draft version of the instrument.

The various stages of the development will be discussed with the project partners and their feedback be integrated into the document

Result: Outcome of step 2 will be a draft instrument, ready for a try-out in the field.

III. Profile of expert(s)

The expert(s) are expected to have:

- A proven track record of EU comparative research
- Extensive knowledge and experience regarding the relation between human rights and anti-trafficking measures
- Knowledge on human rights impact assessment
- Contacts with experts and organizations working on human rights and anti-trafficking measures, in 'sending' as well as 'receiving' countries, both within and outside the EU.

IV. Budget

The number of days and fee per day for the research, travel and subsistence and reporting will have to be specified by the agency. The total budget will not exceed €55.000. A contingency of 10 % is allowed.

V. Time-table

The activities have to be implemented in the period March-November 2009.

VI. Structure of the offer

The offer will specify:

- A motivation for the assignment, including a vision regarding the relation between human rights and anti-trafficking measures
- A brief plan of action including tentative list of names of documents, experts and organizations to consult and time table.
- Number of days/ fee per day for each activity.
- Other expected costs.

The CV of the expert(s) involved in the contract will be attached to the offer.

VII. Submission of application

The offer will have to be submitted before Monday February 23, 9.00 am, to:

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