



## Update on countering trafficking of human beings Tools and challenges in collecting evidence, assisting victims and improving compensation

Trier, 11-12 April 2019

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### Speakers

**Eva Küblbeck**, Legal Expert, KOK – German Network and Coordination Office Against Trafficking in Human Beings, Berlin

**Helena Ljunggren**, Senior Public Prosecutor, International Public Prosecutor's Office, Malmö

**Ulrich Nachtberger**, Judge, Regional Court for Criminal Matters, Vienna

**Brian Oedayrajsingh Varma**, Manager, CoMensha, Amersfoort

**Ryszard Piotrowicz**, Professor of Law, Department of Law and Criminology, Aberystwyth University; Member of GRETA, Council of Europe

**Maria Cristina Pírfano Laguna**, Senior Public Prosecutor, International Cooperation Unit, Spanish General Prosecution Office, Madrid

**Evelyn Probst**, Head of Intervention Centre for Trafficked Women and Girls, LEFO (Information, Education and Support for Migrant Women), Vienna

**Szonja Szabó**, Specialist, Analysis Project Phoenix, Europol, The Hague\*

**Alexandru Viziru**, Police Investigator, Arges Brigade for Combating Organised Crime, Bucharest

Expert, Eurojust\*

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### Key topics

- The current status of the EU Strategy 2012-2016
- The new Communication of the European Commission identifying further actions to eradicate THB
- Challenges in collecting and securing online evidence for evidentiary purposes in court
- Implementation issues in the Victims' Rights Package and the identification of victims of THB as "rights holders", in particular in relation to vulnerable groups (women and children)
- Best practices in assisting and protecting victims of THB

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## Thursday, 11 April 2019

08:30 Arrival and registration of participants

09:00 **Welcome and introduction**  
*Cecilia Holmsten*

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### I. BETTER UNDERSTANDING TRAFFICKING OF HUMAN BEINGS – THE LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

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09:15 **Setting the scene:**  
The EU Strategy 2012-2016 and the new Communication of the EU Commission identifying further actions to eradicate THB – where are we now and what is next?  
*Ryszard Piotrowicz*

09:45 Discussion

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### II. ASSISTING VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND IMPROVING COMPENSATION (PART 1.)

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*Chair: Ramin Farinpour*

10:00 The importance of non-conviction and non-prosecution when dealing with victims  
*Maria Cristina Pírfano Laguna*

10:30 Discussion

10:45 Coffee break

11:15 Best practices in working together to ensure effective national and cross-border compensation to victims of THB  
*Evelyn Probst*

11:45 Discussion

12:00 Victim's' rights in criminal investigations and proceedings  
*Eva Küblbeck*

12:30 Discussion

12:45 Lunch

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### III. ASSISTING VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND IMPROVING COMPENSATION (PART 2.)

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*Chair: Ramin Farinpour*

14:00 The Swedish model of victim assistance and compensation  
*Helena Ljunggren*

14:30 Discussion

14:45 Coffee break

15:15 The identification of victims of THB as "rights holders"  
*Brian Oedayrajsingh Varma*

15:45 Discussion

16:00 The assistance of Europol in cross-border THB cases involving cooperation between national law enforcement authorities  
*Szonja Szabó*

16:30 Discussion

## Objective

This seminar will provide participants an update on current legal challenges and tools in relation to countering trafficking on human beings (THB). It will focus in particular on challenges in collecting and securing evidence to be used in court, on how to improve assistance and protection of victims and ensure that their rights are respected.

## Who should attend?

Judges, prosecutors, lawyers in private practice, law enforcement officers and representatives of civil society/NGOs.

## Location

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- 16:45 National experiences in relation to JITs and (cross-border) investigations  
*Alexandru Viziru*
- 17:15 Discussion
- 17:30 End of day
- 19:30 Dinner

## Friday, 12 April 2019

### IV. CURRENT CHALLENGES IN COLLECTING EVIDENCE FOR EVIDENTIARY PURPOSES

*Chair: Ramin Farinpour*

- 09:00 The collection and use of e-evidence in investigations  
*Ulrich Nachtberger*
- 09:30 Discussion
- 09:45 Obstacles in judicial cooperation between EU Member States in relation to evidence gathering  
*Expert, Eurojust*
- 10:15 Discussion
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 The use of digital currencies and how it fuels the human trafficking market
- 11:30 Discussion

### V. SIMULTANEOUS WORKSHOPS

- 11:45 **Simultaneous workshops:**
- **Best practices in ensuring rightful compensation to victims of THB**  
*Evelyn Probst*
  - **Challenges in the collection of e-evidence at national and European level**  
*Ulrich Nachtberger*
  - **Victims' rights in criminal investigations and proceedings**  
*Eva Küblbeck*
- 13:00 Workshop reports and final conclusions
- 13:30 Light lunch and end of seminar

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## Save the date

### New EU Rules on e-Evidence

The Proposed European Production and Preservation Orders  
London, 4-5 April 2019

### Freezing, Confiscating and Recovering the Proceeds of Crime

Tools, experiences and challenges in the recovery of assets  
Trier, 3-4 June 2019

### Summer Course on European Criminal Justice

Trier, 24-28 June 2019

### Artificial Intelligence and its Implications for the Criminal Justice System

Rome, 24-25 October 2019

## e-Learning Courses

### 10 Key Questions on the General Principles of EU Law as Applied by the CJEU to Criminal Justice

- General principles of EU law in criminal justice
- Substantive and procedural criminal law

### Fighting Child Pornography Online

- European and international legal instruments to fight child pornography online
- Definitions, type and nature of material, "grooming", blocking, filtering and virtual child pornography

### The European Arrest Warrant: 10 Key Questions for Defence Counsel

- The European Arrest Warrant (EAW): a structured overview of the topic
- Role of the defence lawyer in EAW proceedings

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