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# Trafficked Women

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**Invitation & Programme**  
**5. & 6. June 2018**  
**Vienna**



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# “Trafficking in Women. From 1998 to 2018: same old, same old?”

Since 1998 LEFÖ-Intervention Centre for Trafficked Women and Girls (LEFÖ-IBF) has provided direct assistance to about 2.600 women and girls.

On the occasion of the 20th anniversary, LEFÖ-IBF organizes one and a half day-long conference, which is aimed at bringing together national and international experts to analyse changes and standstills in the field of trafficking in women.

## REGISTRATION

Participants are kindly requested to fill in the online registration form no later than **18th May 2018**.

[Click here for the registration!](#)

The event is free of charge. Please note that participation is not possible without a prior registration, and the delays at the entrance may occur due to security controls. Please remember to bring your photo ID! Simultaneous interpreters are provided: conference languages are German and English. The workshops will be held in English, without interpretation.

In case you have questions concerning the registration or you require special assistance, please contact us via: [ibf@lefoe.at](mailto:ibf@lefoe.at)



# PROGRAMME DAY 1

05.06.2018

**Criminal Intelligence Service Austria, banquet  
hall Josef-Holaubek-Platz 1, 1090 Vienna**

**08:00**

## **Registration**

**09:00 - 10:30**

## **Welcoming remarks**

*Franz Lang, Director of Federal Criminal Police Office*

*National Coordinator on Combatting Human Trafficking (tbc)*

*Karoline Edtstadler, State Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Internal Affairs*

*Juliane Bogner-Strauß, Federal Minister for Women, Families and Youth*

**10:30 - 11:00**

## **Coffee break**

**11:00 - 13:00**

## **Panel I „Trafficking in Women: work, migration, rights“**

Trafficking in women involves many fields: violation of human dignity, rights of victims, victim protection and crime fighting. In this discourse, such concepts as modern slavery, labour exploitation, prostitution or smuggling are often used interchangeably to human trafficking. What effects does the linguistic differentiation or inaccuracy of the concepts have on the prevention and combating of trafficking in human beings?

Moderation:

*Helga Konrad, Federal Minister of Women's Affairs (ret.)*

Key Note:

*Evelyn Probst, director of LEFÖ-IBF*

Panelists:

*Albin Dearing, Programme Manager Research, Criminal Law and Criminal Justice at the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights*

*Annalee Lepp, Leiterin Global Alliance Against Traffic in Women, Kanada*

*Petya Nestorova, Executive Secretary of the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings*

*Giorgia Spiri, Public Prosecutor: Special Antimafia Directorate Palermo, Italy*

*Gerald Tatzgern, Austrian Criminal Intelligence Service, Central Service against Human Trafficking and Smuggling*

Subsequently: Discussion and Q&A session with the audience

**13:00 - 14:30**

**Lunch break (Buffet)**

**14:30 - 16:30**

**Panel II „International referral mechanism: return and reintegration”**

The needs of trafficked persons are diverse, and so should be the measures in the scope of victim protection. From a practical perspective, these needs are sometimes contradictory. How to ensure the right to return, the right to compensation and the right to protection and security for those affected?

Moderation:

*Suzanne Hoff, International Coordinator La Strada International*

Key Note:

*Sandra Gombotz, Sociologist, former LEFÖ employee and FROM project coordinator*

Panelists:

*Marta Gonzalez, Coordinator Proyecto Esperanza, Spain*

*Clemens Lederer, Representative of the Austrian Federal Office for Immigration and Asylum (BFA) Regional Directorate Vienna: residence permit “special protection” according to §57 Austrian Asylum Law*

*Ivana Radović, Head of policy and learning, ASTRA*

*Ursula Schrall-Kropiunig, Public Prosecutor, Public Prosecution Office Vienna: sexual offences and domestic violence*

*Mahlet Hailmariam Yitbarek, Head of Organization for the Prevention, Rehabilitation and Integration of Female Street Children (OPRIFS), Ethiopia*

Subsequently: Discussion and Q&A session with the audience

# PROGRAMME DAY 2

06.06.2018

The Austrian Museum of Folk Life and Folk Art  
(Volk- skundemuseum), big hall  
Laudongasse 15-19, 1080 Vienna

09:00

## Welcoming remarks

*Evelyn Probst, director of LEFÖ-IBF*

09:15 - 12:00

## Workshops

### Workshop I

„Safe return for vulnerable groups and their reintegration“

„Safe return“ refers not only to the outcome of return but also to the process. This means to ensure a safe return and reintegration, NGOs have to conduct risks assessments associated with return, taking into account different vulnerabilities. What are the challenges from for a safe return for vulnerable groups from a NGO perspective?

Nina Szogs, Coordination of the reintegration project IRMA plus for vulnerable returnees, Caritas Austria

*Psycho-social advisor LEFÖ-IBF*

### Workshop II

„Justice at Last: compensation for trafficked persons“

The right of victims of crime to compensation is internationally recognised and well established in international legislation however many barriers remain in practise for victims of crime, including trafficked persons, that prevent them from accessing this right. Which barriers have to be dismantled to improve the right to compensation in practise?

*Annet Koopsen, Advocatenkantoor Oudegracht Alkmaar, Netherlands  
(tbc)*

### Workshop III

„Sustainable reintegration of trafficked persons: NGO cooperation as a strategy“

To guarantee a safe and voluntary return and reintegration of trafficked persons, cooperation between many actors such as NGOs plays an integral part. Why is transnational cooperation and continuous support for returnees so important?

*Mahlet Hailmariam Yitbarek, Head of OPRIFS*

*Psycho-social advisor LEFÖ-IBF*

#### Workshop IV

„Labour exploitation from a gender perspective“

Human trafficking for labour exploitation is one form of exploitation that remains largely unexplored. Labour exploitation may potentially happen in any industry and concerns women as well as men. What are the challenges for the identification process and the involvement of the victims as witnesses in the criminal proceedings?

*Psycho-social advisor LEFÖ-IBF*

*Markus Zingerle, Head of MEN VIA*

**12:00 - 12:15**

**Coffee Break**

**12:15 - 13:00**

**Presentation of workshop results and concluding discussion**

LEFÖ-Interventionsstelle für Betroffene des Frauenhandels (LEFÖ-IBF) is an officially recognized victim protection facility operating nationwide since 1998.

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