TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ORGAN REMOVAL

PRESENTATIONS COVER
- The network and actors involved in trafficking in human beings for the purpose of organ removal;
- Interviews with patients who purchased organs abroad;
- State prosecutors’ and police investigators’ experiences with prosecuting criminal cases;
- Signals and indications of trafficking in human beings for the purpose of organ removal.

OBJECTIVES
- To share evidence-based research results;
- To create partnerships between law enforcement and health professionals;
- To provide a forum for the exchange of knowledge and information on how to combat the crime.

ORGANIZED FOR
- Police Services and Judicial Authorities
- Human Trafficking Rapporteurs and Experts
- Analysts in Law Enforcement, Crime, Intelligence, Prosecution
- EU Officials
- Human Rights NGOs
- International Organizations
- Health Organizations
- Transplant Professionals
- Transplant Societies
- Media

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ACCOMMODATION
Hotel accommodation can be booked via the project website with reduced rates.

REGISTRATION
Please register at www.hottproject.com. The registration fee is €100. All participants will receive free copies of the project’s reports and HOTT project’s book (2016). Registration is open until 14 November 2014; after this date the registration will be closed. On-site registration is not possible.

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PROGRAMME

Moderators: Corinne Dettmeijer-Vermeulen (The Netherlands) and a representative of the Central Division of the National Police (The Netherlands)

08:45 Opening addresses
Myria Vassiliadou, EU Anti-Trafficking Coordinator (Belgium)
Angelika Molnar, Focal Point Manager, Europol (The Netherlands)

09:15 Objectives and scope of the HOTT project
Frederike Ambagtsheer (The Netherlands)

09:30 Tales from the organ trade
Ric Esther Biensstock (Canada)

10:00 Trafficking in human beings for the purpose of organ removal: what do we know about it?
Assya Pascalev (Bulgaria)

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 Experiences of patients who purchased organs abroad
Moderators: John Gill (Canada) and Mike Bos (The Netherlands)
Linde van Balen (The Netherlands)

11:10 Patients buying organs: the Swedish experience
Martin Gunvarson (Sweden)

11:20 Patients buying organs from former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Republic of Kosovo
Ninoslav Ivanovski (former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)

11:30 Purchasing organs abroad: A conclusion from three countries
Susanne Lundin (Sweden)

11:40 Recommendations and discussion
Wilma Dujsit (The Netherlands) and Timothy Caulfield (Canada)

NARRATIVES WITH SUPPLIERS

Traffic in part(s):
the commercial kidney market in a Manila slum, The Philippines
Sallie Yea (Singapore)

Recommendations and discussion
Debra Budnian-Sabin (United States of America) and Assya Pascalev (Bulgaria)

Lunch

FROM SIGNALS TO PROSECUTIONS OF TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ORGAN REMOVAL

Moderators: Robin Palmer (South Africa) and Dina Siagel (The Netherlands)

Signals in The Netherlands: A Dutch police report
Jessica de Jong (The Netherlands)

Challenges and success in the effective prosecution of transnational crimes: An Israeli perspective
Glad Erlich (State of Israel)

The Rosenbaum case
Special agent of the FBI (United States of America)

Coffee break

The State versus Netchare Kwa-Zulu limited
Louis Hiebberg (South Africa)

The Medicus clinic case
Jonathan Ratel (Republic of Kosovo)

Recommendations and discussion
Conny Rijken (The Netherlands) and Paul Holmes (United Kingdom)
Alex Capron (United States of America) and Elmi Muller (South Africa)

Closing remarks
Willem Weimar (The Netherlands)

Reception

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