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Conference "Local Action against Human Trafficking"

project STROM "Strengthening the Role of Municipalities in the Work against Trafficking in Human Beings in the Baltic Sea Region" – CBSSPSF/SC 042014/1

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Riga, Latvia, 19 – 20 May 2015, Hotel "Albert Hotel", Dzirnavu str.33

DRAFT PROGRAMME

This conference aims to provide a platform for sharing knowledge and expertise on how to deal with cases of human trafficking at the municipal level.

Specific objectives:

- To identify common challenges and proven practices to counteract trafficking in human beings at the local level in the Baltic Sea Region and beyond.
- To provide local stakeholders with expert knowledge and tools needed to deal efficiently with human trafficking cases.
- To expand national and regional cooperation networks by strengthening the role of municipalities and local stakeholders in the chain of assistance to victims.

Day 1, 19 May

11:00 – 12:00

Welcome coffee and registration

12:00 – 12:40

Welcome and opening remarks

- Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Latvia
- Council of Riga
- Committee of the Regions (TBC)

12.40 – 13.40

Lunch



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13.40 – 14.00 **Baseline assessment study on the role and responsibilities of the municipalities in the chain of assistance to the victims of trafficking in human beings in the CBSS Member States.**

14.00 – 15.50 **Panel 1: Cooperation models and coordination mechanisms at the municipal level. Cooperation between national and local authorities, law enforcement agencies and social service providers.**

15.50 – 16.10 Coffee break

16.10 – 18.00 **Panel 2: The role of local actors in provision of the rehabilitation and reintegration assistance to victims of trafficking. How to provide safety nets to the potential victims of trafficking and prevent re-victimization.**

19.00 Dinner at the “Albert Hotel”

Day 2, 20 May

9.00 – 10.30 **Panel 3: Prevention of human trafficking at the grass root level. Expanding the target group beyond the conventional ones.**

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 – 13.00 **Session on the role of municipalities within multidisciplinary cooperation against trafficking in human beings for labour exploitation**

13.00 – 13.30 **The development of guidelines for municipalities**

Discussion and final remarks

13.30 – 15.00 Lunch

End of the conference