



GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA
National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons

**ACTION PLAN FOR THE SUPPRESSION
OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS
FOR 2006**

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1. INTRODUCTION

Trafficking in persons, as a growing problem of contemporary societies, with an ever increasing number of victims and new forms of their exploitation, calls for more attention to be dedicated to this phenomenon.

As one of the gravest violations of human rights, trafficking in persons is the topic of numerous international documents, which resulted in the creation of national systems for the suppression of trafficking in person.

The Republic of Croatia joined the efforts to combat trafficking in persons and since it established its national referral system, it has achieved numerous results. Important improvements have been made in the establishment of an effective networked system that ensures quick reaction and timely provision of assistance to the victim.

In December 2004 the Government of the Republic of Croatia adopted the National Programme for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons for the period 2005-2008 as a strategic document which sets programme objectives of the efforts to combat trafficking in persons during the four-year period. One of the tasks provided for in the Programme is the adoption of action plans for the suppression of trafficking in persons for each year encompassed by the Programme. An action plan elaborates concrete measures, deadlines, authorities responsible for their implementation, as well as the funding requirements.

Nowadays the Republic of Croatia has a well-developed legislative framework which covers the issue of trafficking in human beings from the prosecution of the perpetrators of crimes related to trafficking in persons, to the provision of comprehensive assistance and protection to trafficking victims. The progress is also reflected in the fact that the proposal has been made to enact penal sanctions for the users of services provided by trafficked persons if the user was aware that the service was provided by a trafficking victim. Also, the law now provides for the possibility to approve temporary residence permit to trafficking victims.

As regards assistance to and protection of trafficking victims, the Protocol on the identification, assistance to and protection of victims of trafficking in persons has been adopted. The Protocol provides for an interdepartmental co-operation among government bodies, international organisations and non-governmental organisations that are in contact around the clock. The national shelter for trafficking victims has also been established, as well as alternative safe accommodation, mobile teams have been set up and reception centres for short accommodation of victims have also been organised.

On its session on 30 September 2005 the Government of the Republic of Croatia adopted the National Plan for the Suppression of Trafficking in Children for the period 1 October 2005 – 31 December 2007 as a separate document.

With the aim to follow international trends pertaining to combating trafficking in persons, rich international co-operation has been established at bilateral and regional level, within international organisations, Council of Europe, European Union and OSCE. The Republic of Croatia was one of the first countries to sign the Council of Europe Convention Against

Trafficking in Persons and we can state with great pleasure that current legal standards in the Republic of Croatia in certain areas go beyond the standards provided for in the Convention.

We are fully aware of the fact that the system for the suppression of trafficking in persons needs to be constantly updated and adjusted to new forms of crimes related to trafficking in persons. The Action Plan for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons for 2006 improves our national referral system with the measures and activities contained in it. It is worth mentioning that civil society organisations have been involved as partners in the implementation of all the measures and activities.

2. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

Programme objective:

1. Improve regulations to ensure more effective protection of victims and the detection, prosecution and sanctioning of perpetrators of crimes related to trafficking in persons

MEASURES:

1. Amend the Aliens Act

Activities:

1. Prepare draft proposal of the Act on the Amendments of the Aliens Act

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Interior

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Adopted Act on the Amendments of the Aliens Act

2. Initiate amending of legislation in the field of social welfare pertaining to the assistance provided to trafficking victims and their protection

Activities:

1. Propose to the ministry competent for social welfare amendments of the legislation in the field of social welfare pertaining to the assistance provided to trafficking victims and their protection

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Deadline: 30 June 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Proposal of the amendments of the legislation in the field of social welfare pertaining to the assistance provided to trafficking victims and their protection submitted to the competent ministry

3. Adopt an Instruction on the cost coverage of trafficking victims' medical treatment

Activities:

1. Prepare the Instruction on the cost coverage of trafficking victims' medical treatment

Implementing authority: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Deadline: 31 March 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Implementation of the Instruction on the cost coverage of trafficking victims' medical treatment in each identified case of trafficking in persons
- ◆ Covered costs of medical treatment of trafficking victims

4. Ratify the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings

Activities:

1. Prepare draft proposal of the Act on the ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Adopted Act on the ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings

5. Improve implementation of the provisions of the Witness Protection Act in criminal procedures related to trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Consider the possibility to implement provisions of the Witness Protection Act in criminal procedures related to trafficking in persons in which the victim acts as a witness in the process

Implementing authority: Ministry of Justice, Ministry of the Interior, State Attorney's Office of the RoC

Deadline: During the year, in each individual criminal case

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Implemented provisions of the Witness Protection Act in criminal procedures related to trafficking in persons in which the victim acts as a witness in the process, whenever legal preconditions for the implementation are satisfied.

3. IDENTIFICATION OF VICTIMS; DETECTION, PROSECUTION AND SANCTIONING OF PERPETRATORS OF CRIMES RELATED TO TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Programme objectives:

- 1. Enhance and improve procedures for the identification of trafficked persons.**
- 2. Enhance and improve procedures for the detection, prosecution and sanctioning of perpetrators of crimes related to trafficking in persons.**
- 3. Develop co-operation among bodies responsible for the detection, prosecution and sanctioning of perpetrators of crimes related to trafficking in persons.**
- 4. Develop international co-operation in the field of detection, prosecution and sanctioning of crimes related to trafficking in persons.**

MEASURES:

- 1. Strengthen activities pertaining to the identification of potential victims of trafficking in persons among asylum-seekers, illegal migrants and unaccompanied minors**

Activities:

1. Distribute an informative leaflet designed for potential trafficking victims to asylum-seekers, illegal migrants and unaccompanied minors

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Interior

Implementing partners: civil society organisations, International Organisation for Migrations (hereinafter: the IOM)

Deadline: continually, during the implementation of the Action Plan

Required funding: HRK 25,000.00

Implementation indicators:

◆ Distributed informative leaflets for potential trafficking victims in reception centres for asylum-seekers, illegal migrants and in reception centres for unaccompanied minors.

- 2. Strengthen the capacity of the police and State Attorney's Office to combat crimes related to trafficking in persons**

Activities:

1. Complete the CARDS Modul 2 project aimed at combating trafficking in persons, smuggling and illegal migrations
2. Initiate implementation of the CARDS 2004 project entitled "Combating Trafficking in Human Beings"

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Interior

Implementing partners: State Attorney's Office of the RoC, Office for Human Rights, Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: The funding has been secured within the CARDS projects.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Prepared manual on combating trafficking in persons for police officers
- ◆ Application of the said manual
- ◆ Appointed project team for the implementation of the CARDS 2004 project.

3. Change the national referral system with the aim to appoint new bodies that will be responsible for the identification, assistance to and protection of victims of trafficking.

Activities:

1. Prepare a new Protocol on identification, assistance to and protection of trafficking victims
2. Apply the new Protocol in all identified cases of trafficking in persons

Implementing authority: National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 10,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Prepared proposal of the Protocol on identification, assistance to and protection of trafficking victims
- ◆ Adopted Protocol on identification, assistance to and protection of trafficking victims
- ◆ Operative use of the new referral system

4. Strengthen the mobile teams

Activities:

1. Determine the final composition of the mobile teams
2. Provide members of the mobile teams with additional professional training

Implementing authority: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Implementing partners: Office for Human Rights, Ministry of the Interior, civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 50,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Appointed members of the mobile teams
- ◆ Completed training of the mobile teams' members
- ◆ Secured funding for the mobile teams' operation
- ◆ Involvement of mobile teams in each identified case of trafficking in persons

5. Monitor the course of pre-criminal and criminal procedures against the perpetrators of crimes in which the victim has been identified as a victim of trafficking

Activities:

1. Update the current databases with new data

2. Compile quarterly reports

Implementing authority: State Attorney's Office of the Republic of Croatia

Implementing partners: Ministry of the Interior, Office for Human Rights

Deadline: continually during the implementation of the Action Plan

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Appointed person responsible for data monitoring
- ◆ Updated and available statistical data on all prosecuted trafficking cases

6. Introduce mandatory urgent procedure in the prosecution of criminal cases related to trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Prepare amendments to the Court Rules of Procedure
2. Adopt amendments to the Court Rules of Procedure in the chapter "Special provisions for individual types of procedures"
3. Mark criminal cases related to trafficking in persons as "URGENT"

Implementing authority: Ministry of Justice

Deadline: 30 June 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Amended Court Rules of Procedure.
- ◆ Urgent processing of criminal cases related to trafficking in persons

7. Appoint a special state attorney or his deputy to co-ordinate processing of cases related to trafficking in persons on the national level.

Activities:

1. Appoint a state attorney or his deputy to co-ordinate processing of cases related to trafficking in persons
2. Adopt the Decision on the appointment of a state attorney or his deputy to co-ordinate processing of cases related to trafficking in persons

Implementing authority: State Attorney's Office of the RoC

Deadline: 30 June 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Adopted Decision on the appointment of a state attorney or his deputy to co-ordinate processing of cases related to trafficking in persons
- ◆ Co-ordinated monitoring of processing of cases related to trafficking in persons

8. Assign a deputy state attorney in every county state attorney's office to process cases related to trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Assign a deputy state attorney in every county state attorney's office to process cases related to trafficking in persons
2. Develop co-operation between deputy state attorneys and police officers in processing individual cases related to trafficking in persons
3. Report regularly to the co-ordinator on each single case of trafficking in persons and the undertaken activities
4. Report regularly to the State Attorney's Office of the RoC on each filed criminal charge related to trafficking in persons

Implementing authority: State Attorney's Office of the RoC

Deadline: 31 March 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Established network of deputy state attorneys assigned to process cases of trafficking in persons
- ◆ Regular reports received by the state attorney – co-ordinator for processing of cases related to trafficking in persons
- ◆ Established official co-operation between certain deputy state attorneys and police officers

9. Enhance co-operation with civil society organisations as regards the activities pertaining to combating trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Report regularly, on a monthly basis, on calls made to the SOS hotline
2. Include representatives of civil society organisations into the mobile teams' activities
3. Report to the Operative Team of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons on the activities undertaken in response to the calls made to the SOS hotline

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Implementing partners: Ministry of the Interior, Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: during the year

Required funding: HRK 20,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Regularly received information about the calls made to the SOS hotline
- ◆ Regularly received information about the activities undertaken in response to the calls made to the SOS hotline
- ◆ Skilled operation of mobile teams in providing first assistance to the victims of trafficking

10. Participate in the implementation of international and regional actions and projects aimed at combating crimes related to trafficking in persons (Interpol, Europol, SECI).

Activities:

1. Participate in operative actions and projects
2. Report on the results of completed actions

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Interior

Implementing partner: State Attorney's Office of the Republic of Croatia

Deadline: in the course of 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required; (appropriations have been allocated in the MoI budget).

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed actions
- ◆ Prepared reports on the results of the completed actions and projects

4. ASSISTANCE TO AND PROTECTION OF VICTIMS

Programme objectives:

1. Provide trafficked persons with assistance, protection and safety by applying a comprehensive approach to each victim of trafficking or any similar crime
2. Ensure recovery, return, integration or reintegration of victims of trafficking
3. Ensure protection of personal data of trafficked persons
4. Improve forms of protection and assistance offered to Croatian citizens identified as victims of trafficking

MEASURES:

1. Ensure the operation of a safe shelter for adult victims of trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Continue financing of the current shelter
2. Find new premises for the current shelter for adult victims of trafficking in persons
3. Provide furniture and equipment for the new premises, necessary for the operation of the shelter for adult victims of trafficking in persons

Implementing authority: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Implementing partners: Office for Human Rights, Central State Office for State Property Management, civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 450,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Secured shelter for adult victims of trafficking
- ◆ Secured professional staff to operate the shelter

2. Establish criteria that the civil society organisations working with trafficked persons have to comply with

Activities:

1. Establish the criteria
2. Announce the criteria publicly

Implementing authority: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Implementing partners: Ministry of the Interior, National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons, civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: 31 March 2006

Required funding: HRK 10,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Established criteria that the civil society organisations working with trafficked persons have to comply with
- ◆ Publicly announced criteria for the civil society organisations working with trafficked persons

3. Develop individualised support programmes tailored to specific requirements of each victim

Activities:

1. Treat each victim individually
2. Develop support programme tailored to the victim's specific requirements

Implementing authority: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Implementing partners: civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: as required

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Developed support programmes tailored to the requirements of each victim of trafficking in persons

4. Concieve forms of alternative accommodation for victims of trafficking who have returned to the Republic of Croatia, but are unable or unwilling to return to their families

Activities:

1. Propose possible forms of accommodation for victims of trafficking who have returned to the Republic of Croatia, but are unable or unwilling to return to their families

Implementing authority: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Implementing partners: civil society organisations, Office for Human Rights

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Adopted proposal on forms of accommodation for victims of trafficking who have returned to the Republic of Croatia, but are unable or unwilling to return to their families

5. Develop protocols for physicians and medical nurses of particular medical specialisations who provide medical services and assistance to trafficked persons

Activities:

1. Develop protocols for physicians and medial nurses of particular medical specialisations (gynaecology, psychiatry, epidemiology, visiting nurses)
2. Print these protocols

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Printed protocols for physicians and medical nurses who have specialised in gynaecology, psychiatry, epidemiology and for visiting nurses
- ◆ Mandatory application of the said protocols for the provision of medical services and assistance to trafficked persons

5. PREVENTION

Programme objectives:

1. Identify the causes and consequences of trafficking in persons and explore them systematically
2. Conduct a research on the causes and consequences of trafficking in persons
3. Create the economic and social conditions for the suppression of trafficking in persons in the Republic of Croatia
4. Monitor systematically potentially vulnerable groups
5. Inform the society and raise public awareness about the phenomenon of trafficking in persons and its consequences

MEASURES:

1. Conduct research on the causes and consequences of trafficking in persons in the Republic of Croatia

Activities:

1. Conduct research activities
2. Organise systematically the research results
3. Print the research results
4. Publish the results of the scientific research

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Deadline: 30 September 2006

Required funding: HRK 200,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Conducted scientific research on the causes, forms and consequences of trafficking in persons
- ◆ Printed results of the research
- ◆ Presented results of the research on the causes, forms and consequences of trafficking in persons

2. Prepare and disseminate informative materials on the phenomenon of trafficking in persons among the potentially vulnerable groups

Activities:

1. Prepare informative materials
2. Print informative materials
3. Distribute informative materials

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Family, Veterans' Affairs and Intergenerational Solidarity

Implementing partners: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, Office for Human Rights, civil society organisations

Deadline: 31 October 2006

Required funding: HRK 40,000.00

- Implementation indicators:
- ◆ Printed informative materials
 - ◆ Distributed informative materials

3. Conduct publicity campaign targeting users of services provided by victims of trafficking

Activities:

1. Conceive and plan the publicity campaign
2. Prepare the publicity campaign
3. Conduct the publicity campaign

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Implementing partners: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, civil society organisations, the media

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 150,000.00

- Implementation indicators:
- ◆ Conducted publicity campaign targeting users of services provided by victims of trafficking

4. Organise public debates, forums and round table discussions on topics related to the suppression of trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Organise a round table discussion on the suppression of trafficking in persons
2. Participate in round tables, forums and discussions organised by civil society organisations on this subject

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Implementing partners: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Ministry of the Family, Veterans' Affairs and Intergenerational Solidarity, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, Ministry of the Interior, civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 50,000.00

- Implementation indicators:
- ◆ Organised round table on the suppression of trafficking in persons
 - ◆ Adopted conclusions
 - ◆ Conclusions incorporated into future activities
 - ◆ Active participation in round table discussions, forums and discussions organised by civil society organisations on the topic of trafficking in persons

6. EDUCATION

Programme objective:

1. Continue education of target groups on trafficking in persons at national and international levels

MEASURES:

1. Organise joint training for the police, state attorney's office and civil society organisations with the aim to develop their co-operation in identifying trafficking victims and providing them with assistance and protection

Activities:

1. Organise a three-day training seminar for police officers, state attorneys and representatives of civil society organisations

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Interior

Implementing partners: State Attorney's Office of the RoC, Office for Human Rights, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 50,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed three-day seminar for police officers, state attorneys and representatives of civil society organisations
- ◆ 50 trained people - police officers, state attorneys and representatives of civil society organisations

2. Organise seminars for border police officers

Activities:

1. Organise a seminar for border police managers
2. Organise two seminars for police officers in charge of border policing and combating illegal migration

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Interior

Implementing partners: international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 100,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed one-day seminar for 30 border police managers (from police departments and police stations)
- ◆ Completed two two-day seminars for police officers in charge of border policing, combating illegal migration and activities pertaining to the operation of the mobile unit for state border control (60 police staff members in total)

3. Complete implementation of the CARDS 'Modul 2' programme - the regional IOM project related to the topic of trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Organise training sessions and seminars pursuant to the CARDS programme.
2. Make an evaluation and recommendations

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Interior

Implementing partners: IOM

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: The funding has been secured within the CARDS programme.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed training sessions and seminars in accordance with the CARDS programme
- ◆ Completed evaluation and recommendations and their implementation

4. Education on the issues related to combating trafficking in persons within the curricula of the Police Academy

Activities:

1. Introduce topics related to the suppression of trafficking in persons into the Police Academy curricula

Implementing authority: Ministry of the Interior

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Covered topics related to the suppression of trafficking in persons in the framework of programmes of the Police Academy

5. Continue covering the topic of the "Suppression of trafficking in persons" within the regular training programmes of the Judicial Academy

Activities:

1. Organise five one-day seminars for judges and state attorneys in regional county training centres
2. Prepare a new manual

Implementing authority: Ministry of Justice

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 150,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed five one-day seminars for judges and state attorneys in regional county training centres
- ◆ Prepared new manual
- ◆ Trained judges and state attorneys

6. Continue training programmes for the staff of Croatia's diplomatic and consular missions on combating trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Organise a one-day seminar for the staff of diplomatic and consular missions on combating trafficking in women and children for the purpose of sexual exploitation
2. Adopt the Protocol on procedure for diplomatic and consular staff in concrete cases of trafficking
3. Continue training programmes for the staff of diplomatic and consular missions on combating trafficking in persons as a part of the regular training programmes of the Diplomatic Academy
4. Introduce the topic of combating trafficking in persons into the preparatory programme for diplomatic and consular staff before they are deployed abroad, particularly if they are assigned to the countries that have been identified as countries of origin and countries of destination for trafficking victims

Implementing authority: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration

Implementing partners: Office for Human Rights, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 30,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed seminar for the staff of diplomatic and consular missions on combating trafficking in women and children for the purpose of sexual exploitation
- ◆ Adopted Protocol on procedure for diplomatic and consular staff in concrete cases of trafficking

7. Continue training programmes for primary and secondary health-care professionals and medical staff appointed to mobile teams

Activities:

1. Organise a three-day seminar for physicians in the Emergency medical services
2. Organise a one-day evaluation seminar on combating trafficking in persons for physicians and medical staff who have completed their basic education

Implementing authority: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Implementing partners: Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 50,000.00 (The rest of the funding has been secured by international donations).

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed three-day seminar for physicians
- ◆ Completed three-day seminar for medical nurses
- ◆ Completed one-day evaluation seminar
- ◆ Determined needs for future training seminars

8. Continue training programmes for welfare system professionals working on the identification and protection of, and assistance to trafficked persons

Activities:

1. Organise a two-day seminar for professionals working in social welfare institutions
2. Discuss the issue of combating trafficking in persons and provision of assistance and protection to the victims at the Meeting of the directors of social welfare institutions

Implementing authority: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Implementing partners: civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 50,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed seminar for professionals working in social welfare institutions
- ◆ Trained professionals working in social welfare institutions
- ◆ Trained directors of social welfare institutions as regards the issue of combating trafficking in persons

9. Continue training programmes for teachers and other educational professionals on combating trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Organise seminars for primary school and pre-school teachers
2. Prepare educational materials for pupils

Implementing authority: Ministry of Science, Education and Sports

Implementing partners: civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: The funding has been secured by international donations.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed seminars for primary school and pre-school teachers.
- ◆ Prepared educational materials for primary school pupils
- ◆ Printed educational materials for primary school pupils
- ◆ Distributed educational materials

10. Continue training programmes for civil society organisations involved in the efforts to suppress trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Involve civil society organisations in training programmes dealing with combating trafficking in persons and providing assistance and protection to trafficking victims

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Implementing partners: Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Ministry of the Interior, civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Representatives of civil society organisations involved in training seminars for particular target groups
- ◆ Sufficiently trained representatives of civil society organisations involved in the efforts to combat trafficking in persons and provide assistance and protection to trafficking victims

11. Continue education of journalists reporting on issues pertaining to trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Organise a one-day seminar for journalist reporting on issues pertaining to trafficking in persons
2. Prepare a manual for journalists reporting on issues pertaining to trafficking in persons

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Implementing partners: Public Relations Office of the Government of the RoC, Croatian Journalists' Association, international organisations

Deadline: 31 December 2006

Required funding: HRK 30,000.00

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Completed seminar for journalists
- ◆ Published manual for journalists
- ◆ Professional reporting on topics related to trafficking in persons

7. INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION

Programme objective:

1. **Develop systematic co-operation between the Republic of Croatia and other countries and international and intergovernmental organisations involved in the effort to combat trafficking in persons**

MEASURES:

1. Continue active participation in regional and international initiatives to combat trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Join regional and international initiatives in the field of combating trafficking in persons

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration and other competent government bodies

Implementing partners: civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: as needed

Required funding: The funding has been secured by the state budget and international donations.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Reports on participation in regional and international initiatives to combat trafficking in persons

2. Participate in the efforts of international bodies and organisations to combat trafficking in persons

Activities:

1. Participate in the efforts of international bodies and organisations to combat trafficking in person

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration and other competent government bodies

Implementing partners: civil society organisations, international organisations

Deadline: as needed

Required funding: The funding has been secured by the state budget and international donations.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Reports on participation in the efforts of international bodies and organisations to combat trafficking in persons

8. CO-ORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES

Programme objectives:

1. Strengthen co-ordination of activities undertaken by all competent government authorities, non-governmental organisations and international organisations in the effort to combat trafficking in persons
2. Systematically monitor the implementation and efficiency of action plans for the suppression of trafficking in persons

MEASURES:

1. Hold regular sessions of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons

Activities:

1. Convene sessions of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons at least three times a year

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Deadline: during the year

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ At least three sessions of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons held

2. Hold regular sessions of the Operative Team of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons

Activities:

1. Convene sessions of the Operative Team once a month

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Deadline: during the year

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

- ◆ Sessions of the Operative Team of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons held once a month.

3. Keep the national anti-trafficking co-ordinator informed about all efforts to combat trafficking in person

Activities:

1. Inform the national anti-trafficking co-ordinator about all efforts to implement the Action Plan for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons for 2006
2. Inform the national anti-trafficking co-ordinator about new cases of trafficking in persons

Implementing authority: government bodies and non-governmental organisations, as regards their respective activities

Deadline: during the year

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

◆ National anti-trafficking co-ordinator involved in all activities related to the suppression of trafficking in persons.

4. Report regularly to the secretariat of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons on the implementation of all activities provided for in the Action Plan

Activities:

1. Report to the secretariat of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons on all activities related to the implementation of the Action Plan for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons for 2006

Implementing authority: bodies responsible for the implementation of individual activities of the Action Plan

Deadline: during the year

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

◆ Secretariat of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons informed about the implementation of all activities provided for in the Action Plan for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons

5. Submit regular annual reports to the Government of the Republic of Croatia on the activities of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons and the implementation of action plans

Activities:

1. Collect data on the implementation of the Action Plan for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons and activities of the National Committee for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons

2. Prepare a Report on the implementation of the Action Plan for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons for 2006

3. Submit the Report to the Government of the Republic of Croatia for adoption

Implementing authority: Office for Human Rights

Deadline: 31 March of the current year for the previous year

Required funding: No additional funding required.

Implementation indicators:

◆ Adopted Report on the implementation of the Action Plan for the Suppression of Trafficking in Persons for 2006