International conference

“The growing threat of trafficking in women, sexual exploitation and prostitution: protecting human rights of women and ending violence”

October 4th 2016, 10h-19h
Egmont Palace, Place “Petit Sablon” 8 bis, 1000 Brussels

Registration: 9h

In the presence of Didier Reynders, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Affairs

9h: REGISTRATION

10h: WELCOMING REMARKS

Ms. Viviane Teitelbaum, President Conseil des Femmes Francophones de Belgique and Ms. Magda De Meyer, President Vrouwenraad

10h10 - 12h: INTERNATIONAL PANEL

Focus on the gender dimension of trafficking, using a human rights and victims centered approach

Introduction: M. Didier Reynders, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Affairs, Belgium

President: Dr. Myria Vassiliadou, EU Anti-Trafficking Coordinator
- **Ms. Kristiina Kangaspunta**, Chief Crime Research Section, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, “*Trafficking in women in the world: sexual exploitation and beyond*”

- **M. Per-Anders Sunesson**, Ambassador for Human Trafficking and Prostitution, "*Prostitution and the never ending demand for new women and girls - the prerequisite for trafficking*", **Sweden**

- **Ms. Nadia Murad Basee**, UNODC Goodwill Ambassador for the Dignity of Survivors of Human Trafficking (TBC)

- **M. Claude Moniquet**, CEO European Strategic Intelligence and Security Center, “*Trafficking in human beings, sexual exploitation and prostitution: the burden of organized crime*”, **Belgium**

**Questions and answers**

**CONCLUSIONS OF THE MORNING SESSION:** Dr. Myria Vassiliadou

12h - 13h: Lunch

13h – 14h30h: **LEGISLATION, POLICE, JUSTICE**

**Different strategies and approaches in the EU in legislation to counter exploitation of prostitution for criminal networks; Rules to fight it**

**Introduction:** **M. Jean-François Minet**, President of the Bureau of the Interdepartmental Task Force against Trafficking in Human Beings, **Belgium**

**President:** **Ms. Pierrette Pape**, Policy and Campaigns Director at the European Women’s Lobby, **Belgium**

- **Ms. Gunilla Ekberg**, B.S.W, J.D., PhD in Law, “*A Gender Equality and Human Rights Approach to Prostitution and Trafficking in Human Beings*”, **Sweden**

- **Ms. Karin Werkman**, Independent Researcher, “*Effects of legalization, research on trafficking and prostitution policy development*”, **The Netherlands**

- **M. Warner J.B. ten Kate**, Senior Public Prosecutor, National Board of Prosecutors, National Public Prosecutor for Trafficking in Human Beings and
People, “The Dutch prostitution policy: curse or blessing? Assessment in the light of the Dutch anti-trafficking approach.”, The Netherlands

- Ms. Elisabeth Moiron-Braud, General Secretary of the Interdepartmental Mission dealing with the Protection of women against violence and the Battle against trafficking in human beings, “The evolution of the French legislation in terms of the battle against trafficking in human beings in view of sexual exploitation”, France

Questions and answers

14h30h à 15h: Coffee pause

15h – 17h: SPECIAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING

Analysis of strategies of exit programs for victims of trafficking; Testimonies by survivors of prostitution, health professional working with victims and NGO’s offering prevention to women’s poverty and social rehabilitation

Introduction : Ms. Elke Sleurs, Secretary of State for the Fight against Poverty, the Equal Opportunities, for People with Disabilities, and Science Policy, responsible for Major Cities, Belgium

President: Ms. Mildrid Mikkelsen, Manager ROSA-project, Norway.

- Ms. Sophie Wilmès, Minister of Budget, responsible for the National Lottery, “The National Lottery’s engagement towards the actors in the field”, Belgium

- Dr. Judith Trinquart, Medical examiner-public health doctor, practising at l’Unité Médico-Judiciaire Pontoise-Gonesse (Val d’Oise), teaching at l’Université Paris V-René Descartes, “The disembodiment in daily prostitution: a major obstacle when it comes to access to health care and awareness”, France

- Ms. Sophie Jekeler, Executive Director Samilia Foundation, “Prevention, education, social inclusion: to put an end to the trafficking of human beings”, Belgium
- **Ms. Sarah Benson**, CEO Ruhama, “Holistic support and exiting services for women affected by prostitution and Sex trafficking”, **Ireland**

- **Drs. Annemarie van Rijn**, Project leader FIER, “Working on a positive future”, **The Netherlands**

*Questions and answers*

**17h: REFLECTIONS AND CONCLUSIONS**

**Ms. Magda De Meyer**, President Vrouwenraad and **Ms. Viviane Teitelbaum**, President Conseil des Femmes Francophones de Belgique

**17h30 – 19h: Closing drink**

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