



END HUMAN TRAFFICKING NOW: ENFORCING THE UN PROTOCOL
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KEY MESSAGES

HUMAN TRAFFICKING: FACTS & FIGURES

- ▶ Human trafficking is one of the most profitable crimes. The United Nations estimates the total market value of illicit human trafficking at 32 billion US dollars (ILO, 2005).
- ▶ No country is exempt. All countries are affected whether as countries of origin, transit or destination. Victims from at least 127 countries have been found to be exploited in 137 States.
- ▶ An estimated 27 million people are currently victims of this modern form of slavery. Victims are also very often not identified as victims of a crime, but rather as criminals.
- ▶ Its manifestations differ from one country to another. However, sexual exploitation (79%) is by far the most commonly identified form of trafficking in persons, followed by forced labour (18%).
- ▶ Strategies must be continually adjusted to ensure being a step ahead of the traffickers.

FORUM OBJECTIVES

- ▶ Underline the pivotal role of the business community in anti-trafficking efforts.
- ▶ Recognize and honour those business executives who have shown energy and commitment in tackling this global scourge, through the first-ever Business Leader's Award.
- ▶ Highlight that the business community's role is strengthened with partners at all levels, as spelled out in the UN General Assembly's Global Plan of Action.
- ▶ Invite the Business community to support victims of Human Trafficking through the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund for Victims of Trafficking in Persons.
- ▶ Provide a unique platform for each partner to identify its role within the anti-trafficking campaign.
- ▶ Emphasize that only concerted action will reverse the tide of this illicit trade.

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