

TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS

Building capacity to deal with human trafficking and transit routes in Nigeria, Italy and Sweden

 Project completed

About the Project

This Action was aimed at increasing the capacity of key local stakeholders in the Veneto region (Italy), Edo and Lagos states (Nigeria) as well as in Sweden to tackle human trafficking and deal with its evolving dynamics and trends.

To this end, the Action paid special attention to the trafficking of girls and young women, as well as the strengths and weaknesses of the prevention, protection and rehabilitation systems in the three countries, while promoting knowledge-based policymaking in the respective countries and reinforcing transnational cooperation on the topic.



Partners

This MPF project was implemented by the University of Venice (IUAV) in cooperation with Nigerian Women Association, Pathfinders Justice Initiative, Equality ATI and Associazione 2050.



Countries

Italy, Nigeria, Sweden



Time frame

April 2019 – May 2023 (50 months)



Budget

EUR 601,156.70 (94.79% from ISF-Police)

Activities



In-depth qualitative research

In-depth qualitative research on emerging and evolving trends in the field of trafficking in human beings (THB) was conducted to develop a deeper understanding of the dynamics behind the transit of victims and to enable an analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of prevention and protection systems in Italy, Sweden and Nigeria.



Capacity building

This activity aimed to improve key stakeholders' understanding of the multifaceted aspects of human trafficking and to provide capacity building towards a more integrated approach to victim protection. Workshops and training sessions were organised for law enforcement officers, cultural and language mediators, NGOs, community leaders and other key stakeholders, focusing on prevention and protection, in Italy, and rehabilitation, in Nigeria.



Law enforcement training on preventing and countering smuggling of migrants and trafficking of human beings held in October 2019 in Benin City, Nigeria.



Support to transnational cooperation

The Action facilitated the organisation of several international webinars to exchange key topics, challenges and best practices in THB management. These webinars were attended by almost 500 people from 20 different countries, representing a total of 234 organisations.



Awareness raising

Awareness-raising sought to promote information and effective measures against the (re-)trafficking of victims within cities and in remote areas outside urban centres in Nigeria. Activities included the launch of a pilot Helpdesk in Lagos for victim returnees, training sessions for selected college and high school teachers in Lagos and Edo State to support them in the preparation of ad hoc awareness-raising modules, and finally events and visibility materials distributed in Italy and Nigeria.



Trainings for teachers held in November 2019 at the NNAV Helpdesk office in Lagos, Nigeria.



For more information about the project

- Link to the project website, including publications, videos, policy briefs and other materials produced: <https://www.insightproject.net>
- Link to the dedicated section on SSIIM Unesco Chair webpage: <http://www.unescochair-iauav.it/insight-action/>
- Link to the Scientific Book 'Social Protection Programmes' by Michela Sempredon: <https://www.taylorfrancis.com/books/oa-mono/10.4324/9781003309857/social-protection-programmes-michela-sempredon>

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