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OUTREACH SESSIONS / PROGRAMMES

Trafficking in human beings is a growing phenomenon with grave consequences. It destroys the lives of millions of victims by depriving people of their dignity, freedom and fundamental rights. Increased public awareness of the existence of human trafficking within communities often generates interest to mobilize popular concern about the risk of falling prey to these criminals and about the social and human costs of trafficking in human beings. These sessions should focus on educating people about the true nature of that crime and its consequences.

Public awareness on the risks of trafficking is an important means to detect and prevent the crime. Prevention and awareness-raising activities on the safe use of the internet and social media, among others, could further contribute to mitigating the risk of trafficking especially when it comes to child trafficking.

ACTIONS RELATED TO OUTREACH SESSIONS / PROGRAMMES IN THE NATIONAL ACTION PLAN (NAP):

The Human Rights Initiatives Unit within the Human Rights Directorate has been entrusted with the implementation, coordination and monitoring of the current National Action Plan. Malta's fifth National Action Plan (NAP) on Human Trafficking seeks to reform the sector by taking measures complementary to those initiated by the Parliamentary Secretariat for Reforms, Citizenship and Simplification of Administrative Processes. At the same time, it builds on the work undertaken in the context of previous Action Plans. In line with Malta's EU and other international obligations reference is also made to the submission of information to the EU Anti Trafficking Coordinator as well as other major international stakeholders.

The Actions envisaged in the current plan seek to address the major aspects of the fight against human trafficking with a particular focus on awareness and prevention, although efforts in other spheres, including prosecution, must also be pursued by the entities



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concerned. Focusing on awareness and prevention measures is considered necessary given that these measures entail the involvement of several stakeholders, as well as coordination between them. The following actions included in the current national action plan are specifically related to outreach sessions / programmes and must be implemented by the end of 2023:

- **Action 9:** *Outreach sessions in schools for boys and girls between 13-15 years old on the dangers of online child abuse, including sexting, grooming and child pornography;*
- **Action 10:** *Outreach Pauline on the prevention of online sex abuse with parents of girls and boys between 13-15 years old organized through Local Councils;*
- **Action 11:** *Awareness sessions for women and girls at open centers aimed at providing information about services that would assist in dealing with past traumatic situations and about the threat posed by labour trafficking and human trafficking for sexual exploitation.*

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE REGARDING OUTREACH SESSIONS / PROGRAMMES ON TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS (THB):

We therefore kindly request for the appointed entity/ies to fill in the below table for us to understand the necessary tools to assist your body in our goal of combatting THB.

Name of Ministry:

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Name of Applicant Entity:

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Targeted Audience:

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Description of measures:

Implementation period:

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Estimation of funding:

Contact person / responsible party:

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Any other participating entities / ministries:

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Description of assistance requested:

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Specific outcome / aim for this request:

Format (online / in person):



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Duration of sessions (whole days, half days, multiple days):

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Is the programme intended to be a series of sessions or a one-time event:

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Suggest trainer or organization offering outreach requested:

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For more information, you are kindly requested to seek the assistance of the Initiatives Unit at the contact details provided below.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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