



Workshop:
The evil of human trafficking (HT)
and discussions on how this could
be checked and prevented

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Impulse & Questions

The questions which this workshop is set to tackle are:

- What is human trafficking
- what are the root causes?
- What are the necessary measures to fight HT

The Term: Human Trafficking

- A modern day slavery
- Migrate to escape threats:
 - to existence of life
- Not a new phenomenon
- A working definition of human trafficking



Human Trafficking: Concept and Definition

(The Palermo Protocol)

- (a) To prevent and combat trafficking in persons
- (b) To protect and assist the victims of such trafficking, and
- (c) To promote cooperation among States Parties



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Trafficking in human beings is similar, but different from, human smuggling. (Aronowitz 2001).



Distinctive Marks of Human Trafficking

(The Palermo Protocol)

1. The act of the perpetrators
2. The method of the act
3. The aim of the act



New Trend in the Trafficking Enterprise

- Trafficking for the removal of organs
- Trafficking in Pregnant Women

Who are the Traffickers?

- recruiters
- transporters
- transferer(s)
- harbourers
- receptionists
- clients

Women as Traffickers (The Madam's)

Why?

- non arousal of suspicion
- better control of the victims
- better knowledge / know-how



Causes of Human Trafficking

Causes are crucial in finding the measures to fight the crime.

Push and pull factors

- Unemployment
- illiteracy
- “Primitive” conditions
- Political fear/persecution



Causes of Human Trafficking

- Poor medical care
- Loss of wealth
- Natural Disasters
- Pollution
- Globalisation
- Poor housing
- Discrimination
- Global Perspective



Demand and Supply Syndrome

- The dual market interaction
- The demand fuels the supply



Miscellaneous

- Greed
- Cultural Influence
- Gender Perspective

Pull Factors

- Job opportunities
- Better living conditions
- Political and/or religious freedom
- Education
- Better medical care
- Security
- Steady demand of the services of the victims



Measures to combat HT (The 3 P's)

- Prevention
- Protection
- Prosecution

Prevention of the crime of HT

- regional, national and international programmes
- social and economic initiatives
- Poverty / women emancipation
- training for officials
- constant exchange of information
- strict controls and monitoring of means of traffickers
- Awareness and Media Campaigns

Protection of the victims of HT

- Protection of the Victims of Human Trafficking: A New Paradigm
- Provision of physical, psychological and social wellbeing
- Protection against the revenge
- Status legalisation
- Safe and justified return to countries of origin if need be

Prosecution of offenders of HT

- Generalization of HT as a crime
- Prosecution should apply to all equally
- Clear distinction b/w HT and other irregular migration
- Victims' compensation
- Forfeiture of fortunes by offenders

Conclusion

Victims should be De-criminalized

And

Offenders Criminalized

Key Facts:

(source: National Human Trafficking Resource Center Polarisproject.org – 9/22/2016)

- Human trafficking occurred in all 50 states in 2015
- 252 cases reported occurred overseas
- More than 1,600 survivors reach out for help in 2015
- Top venue for sex trafficking was brothels
- Top industry for labour trafficking was domestic work
- 136 goods from 74 countries made by forced and child labor (U.S. Dept of Labor)
- No official estimate of the total number of human trafficking victims
- Polaris estimates hundreds of thousands of victims in the U.S

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International Labour Organization (ILO)

- about 20.9 million victims of human trafficking globally
 - 68% trapped in forced labor
 - 26% of them children
 - 55% are women and girls



Impulse and open question(s)

What **“is/are/should be”** the role(s) of the Catholic Church in the fight against human trafficking



Thank you for your attention!



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HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS



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