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BIGOSINT

Two ToTs (Trainer of Trainers) - Murcia, July 12th 2023; Bremen, July 19th 2023

The second and third ToT sessions took place in Murcia (Spain) and in Bremen (Germany) with the aim of further combatting Trafficking in Human Beings (THB) through the use of Big Data and OSINT Analysis. The training has been organised by the Murcia Police, the Euro-Arab Foundation, the Hochschule für Öffentliche Verwaltung Bremen and Agenfor International. Members of the Law Enforcement Agencies from the Netherlands, Israel, Italy and the United Kingdom, Spain and Germany attended the event.

Prototyping Activities - from September 2023

The initiation of prototyping activities across all the partner countries which will last for 15 weeks, piloted by Murcia Local Police, Prosecution Office of Trento and HFÖV. The technologies of the projects will be stressed-tested in real-life environments and through case analysis.

HOPE

International Conference - Lisbon, November 29th 2023

In a remarkable event in Lisbon, more than 50 experts and decision-makers gathered to discuss radicalisation prevention, foster collaboration and share insights to develop tailored solutions in the scope of preventing and countering violent extremism. To foster a discussion on these issues and present an innovative, holistic approach to face it, the HOPE International Conference, held on November 29th, 2023, brought together participants from 14 countries and five international organisations, such as the Council of Europe, the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), the Confederation of European Probation (CEP), and the International Organisation for Migration (IOM). The diverse audience comprised researchers, law enforcement representatives, policy and programme coordinators, as well as decision-makers from national prison and probation systems.

INTERCEPTED

Focus Groups (FGs) - Italy, November 10th; Greece, November 21st; Spain, November 30th 2023

The FGs were dedicated to exchange of ideas and practices focusing specifically on advertisement and recruitment in order to effectively intervene to both supply and demand sides of THB (Trafficking in Human-Beings). The events gathered Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs), Internet Service Providers (ISP), Judicial Practitioners and Victim Protection/Assistance Services to discuss the following topics related to the INTERCEPTED project. Moreover, Public-Private Cooperation Guidelines were released.

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J-CAP

Second TARS (Transnational Awareness-Raising Symposium) - Paris, September 6th and 7th 2023

The 2nd TARS took place in Paris, France, at the École National de la Magistrature's premises. The Symposium aimed to strengthen cooperative relationships between participants, leading to fruitful exchanges of ideas and practices, and improving knowledge regarding one another's judicial system and competent authorities.



6th and 7th of September 2023

National Roundtables - September and October 2023

These seven national events aimed to transmit conclusions from the symposia to national audiences and, on the other hand, allow for focus points to debate concrete topics stemming from previously held discussions and events, as well as identified needs by practitioners and justice professionals.

International Virtual Conference - September 15th and 16th 2023

The online event was dedicated to sharing the results of the National Roundtables (NR), highlighting best practices, advantages and insights on the effective application of the Framework Decision 2008/947 in each partner country (Austria, Belgium, France, Italy, Portugal, Romania, the Netherlands,) and external countries (Spain, Poland and Germany), focusing particularly on the advantages of the FD 947 for foreign probationers, the information sharing between the Issuing State and Executing State's governmental bodies, the best practices derived from EU countries, and the importance of cross-professional collaboration.

PRE AND POST

Fourth and Fifth CoPs (Communities of Practice) - Capo d'Orlando, July 14th 2023 and Milan, September 27th 2023

On July 14th, in Capo d'Orlando (Italy), the fourth CoP, a round table on multi-agency cooperation in the implementation of FD 2008/947/JHA, took place. Italian practitioners discussed on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to judgments and probation decisions with a view to the supervision of probation measures and alternative sanctions, transposed into Italian law by Legislative Decree N.38 of 15 February 2016. The fifth CoP gathered practitioners in Milan on September 27th to discuss Restorative Justice in the light of the Cartabia reform.



14th of July 2023

The study meeting focused on restorative justice as regulated by the recent Legislative Decree no. 150/22, focusing on the future applicability of restorative justice programs at the different stages of the proceedings and highlighting the role of the main actors involved.

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REUNION

National FGs (Focus Groups) for solutions mapping towards offender rehabilitation - September and October 2023



September and October 2023

Over the months of September and October, the six national FGs took place in the partner countries (Italy, Germany, Portugal, Spain, Romania, Poland). The Italian FG was held at the Court of Appeal of Venice on September 29th. It was an in-depth meeting on the application of FDs 2008/909/JHA and 2008/947/JHA, during which the President of the Court of Appeal of Venice Carlo Citterio, the Attorney General at the Court of Appeal of Venice Federico Prato, the Counsellor at the Court of Cassation Debora Tripiccion, the Director General of International Affairs, the Judicial Cooperation at the Ministry of Justice Stefano Opilio, and the former Public Prosecutor at the Court of Lucca Pietro Suchan delivered keynote lectures on the application of European legal instruments.

STAND-UP

TRUST and STAND-UP - "Online and offline hate: cooperative and preventive models" - Turin, October 20th 2023

On October 20th, Agenfor International presented, with the support of the Municipality of Turin, the joint work of the European projects TRUST and STAND-UP at CTE NEXT, House of Emerging Technologies, a dissemination event on hate phenomena and the public-private cooperation model. Among the speakers, the Councillor Giovanna Pentenero, Municipality Councillor Abdullahi Ahmed, and RAN expert Diletta Berardinelli.

Final Event - "Stand Together Against Hate: A Multi-Agency Initiative" - Brussels, January 11th 2024

On January 11th, the conclusive event of the STAND-UP Project brought together organisations and experts in the field, with the aim of preventing and combating hate crime through the cooperation of law enforcement agencies and organisations working on these issues. The seminar presented the results of various training programmes in different countries included in the project, creating an environment for in-depth discussions and exchanges. Experts such as Menno Ettema, Magdalena Adamowicz, Nataša Vučković, Akis Karatrandos intervened on the topic of hate speech crime.

TRUST

Final Conference - "Challenges and good practices to tackle hatred against Muslim women in Italy" - Rome, January 17th 2024

After two years of hard-work and dedication, the TRUST Project came to an end with the Final Conference held in Rome on January 17th. The event gathered more than 100 participants from LEAs, CSOs, Muslim communities and Women Organisations. It was a chance to once again tackle the issue of Islamophobia in Italy and Europe, tell the stories of the three places that hosted TRUST's Action Plan (Milan, Palermo and Trentino), and present the Policy Brief, as the result of these two years of work.

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UNCHAINED | Final Conference - July 25th 2023

The UNCHAINED project held its final conference after more than three years of research on Human Trafficking. On 25 July, prosecutors, LEAs and researchers, within and outside the project's consortium, met at Agenfor's headquarters in Milan (Italy) to share the knowledge and digital techniques developed by UNCHAINED to investigate and track potential cases of Human Trafficking in cyberspace through the financial trail left by these crimes. Many were the speech held by experts in the fields, namely, the Deputy Prosecutor of Venice, Lucia D'Alessandro; the CEO of the software development company Falkor, Yuval Sanders; Information Technology lawyer Emanuele Florindi; the Deputy Prosecutor of Padova Silvia Golin; and researcher at John Hopkins University (U.S.) Alexandra Malangone.

VR-DigiJUST | e-Capsules

The VR-DigiJUST consortium produced short, up to date, tightly blueprints to address justice professionals' immediate needs in the context of concrete cases and jurisprudential developments at the EU, national and regional levels with an informative and andragogical educational style, sharing information among the network of experts with a cross-sectoral and multidimensional view. Find the full e-Capsules here:

- DIGITAL JUSTICE IN THE EU
- LEGALTECH APPLICATIONS FOR JUSTICE AUTHORITIES' ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT
- E-EVIDENCE
- DIGITAL INVESTIGATIONS, PROPORTIONALITY, AND RESPECT ON PRIVACY AND DATA PROTECTION
- TRAINING ON EU LAW



NEW PROJECTS | Agenfor International's New Projects

Agenfor International is also glad to announce its new projects!

ARIEN - An holistic innovation action that builds a real-time intelligence picture illegal drug production and trafficking incidence across the EU bolstered by AI-driven tools.

VR DigiVET - Improving the Albanian VET system by strengthening the digital skills of VET staff members and VET students, through the use of digital technologies.

EUROJUSTICE and DIGITAL RIGHTS - Promotion of European legal culture in criminal law and human rights protection, with particular reference to European judicial cooperation instruments applied to cybercrimes.

SOURCE - Strengthening the use of EU judicial cooperation legal instruments in technology-based investigations.

DATA EQUALITY - Digital data to identify, prevent and counter intersectional discrimination in Phygital AI-based environments.



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