

Invitation

Exploring Links between Trafficking and Labour
Discussing Migration and Gender in the Context of a Pandemic

10/12/2020 9:15 – 17:00 CET

online via zoom

The TOLERANT Project (TransnatiOnaL network for Employment integRAtion of womE N vicTims of trafficking) partners invite you to the **final online conference** of the project within the thematic context of **labour market integration for Victims of Trafficking** to discuss **human trafficking** in the **broader context of labour and trafficking in policy and practice**.

Please **register via our online form** through the following [link](#) by **December 4**, at the latest.

The conference “Exploring links between trafficking and labour - Discussing Migration and Gender in the Context of a Pandemic” brings together experts, stakeholders, professionals and interested communities. The exchange of various perspectives on different (good) practices and challenges to support women Victims of Trafficking will be fostered, and recommendations and policies will be discussed. During the one-day event, we want to take the time to discuss the access to the labour market, in two ways: firstly, discuss challenges and good practices concerning the labour market integration of women Victims of Trafficking; secondly, we want to critically examine how the labour market is shaped and how it needs to be changed in order to eliminate barriers to assure a sustainable and equal inclusion for all, prevent exploitation and counter Human Trafficking, as well as, which gender specific services are necessary for a holistic integration into the labour market.

Program

9:15 – 09:30 Test Run of Zoom Technology for All Participants

9:30 – 10:00 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Welcome speech by Evelyn Probst, Head of LEFÖ-Intervention Center for Trafficked Women, Austria

Opening of the conference by Susanne Raab, Federal Minister for Women and Integration, Austria
TBC

10:00 – 12:45 Panel Discussion and Q&A Session: “Exploring links between Trafficking and Labour”

Moderation: Daniela Paredes Grijalva, Migration Expert, ISA-Austrian Academy of Sciences

Thanasis Tyrovolas, Researcher at KMOP (Member of the TOLERANT Project Consortium), Greece

Evelyn Probst, Head of LEFÖ-Intervention Centre for Trafficked Women, Austria

Johannes Peyrl, Expert on Migration Policy and Migration Law, Chamber of Labour (AK), Austria

Carina Lesiak, Specialist on labour market integration and Psychosocial Counselor of Women at Frauenberatungsstelle für Migrantinnen, Austria

Erika Koller, Member of the European Economic and Social Committee and the Workers' Group, Belgium, International Secretary of the Forum for the Co-operation of Trade Unions, Hungary

12:45 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 16:30 Thematic Workshops and Coffee Break

Please choose from one of four workshops below.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

New approaches: How to strengthen transnational cooperation and exchange on the topic of labour market integration for Victims of Trafficking? Workshop 1 (English)

Elena Timofticiuc, Executive Director of AIDRom (Romania) and Local Project Manager of the TOLERANT project
Gina -Maria Stoian, President of the Organisation ADPARE (Romania), Expert Trainer on the issue of THB

An objective of the TOLERANT-Project is to foster exchange between organisations working with migrant women and Victims of Trafficking (VoT) from different European countries in relation to labour market integration for third country national VoT. A direct and very comprehensive outcome of this collaboration is the Guide for integrated service provision, which will be presented and discussed during this workshop. The focus will be on the access of women VoT to integrated and gender-specific services during the current Pandemic and beyond, as well as, raise awareness and explore new resources that are available at the European level.

The struggles behind 24/24 care work. Who cares? Workshop 2 (German)

Flavia Matei, DREPT - Organisation representing the interests of Romanian live-in care workers in Austria
Simona Durisova, Iniativa24 - Organisation representing the interest of Slovakian live-in care workers, both are part of the IG24 - Collective representing the interests of migrant care workers in Austria

This workshop focuses on the 24/24 live-in elderly care in Austria - a system that relies almost entirely on migrant women care workers. The two workshop trainers, Simona and Flavia, will offer a brief introduction into the setting of this particular work sector, highlighting the migrant and gender dimensions, as well as, the carers' exposure to exploitation and labour abuse, systemic loopholes and lazy politics. Where after, the participants will be split into 2-3 teams and each team will receive a real case study selected from the IG24 experiences within the migrant carers' communities. The respective case study will be analysed and discussed within the team, and the observations, conclusions and thoughts for the future will be brought back into the bigger group for a closing reflection on the topic.

How to Support Undocumented Workers Workshop 3 (English)

Vina Yun, Public Relations and Education Officer at UNDOK with a background in journalism and previous work experience as an editor in Austria and Germany
Susanne Kimm, Legal Counselor at UNDOK with an academic background in political science and law (ongoing at the University of Vienna)

Migrants are pushed into informal work whenever they have no secure residence permit and/or limited access to the formal labour market. Most jobs that are available to undocumented workers are dirty, dangerous and difficult. But even undocumented workers are entitled to basic labour rights.

UNDOK – Drop-in Center for undocumented workers provides information, legal counselling and support for migrants, promoting and calling for the labour rights of all workers. In this workshop, we will look at the characteristics of undocumented work and explore the different ways to support workers throughout the informal economy.

During the pandemic and beyond: Supporting Trafficked Persons accessing the labour market in Austria

Workshop 4 (English)

Johanna Ruhl, Integration Expert at LEFÖ-Intervention Center for Trafficked Women & TOLERANT-Project Manager of LEFÖ-IBF, Austria

Selma Mujić, Teacher of literacy, basic education, German as a Second Language and digitalisation at the LEFÖ-Learning Center, Austria

The Corona Pandemic has already proven to have had immense effects on the labour market and the way people work. However, the crisis does not affect everyone in the same way. Instead, it increases already existing inequalities and dependencies and pushes vulnerable groups into even more precarious situations. During the workshop, we will take the time to critically discuss the labour market integration of Trafficked Persons in Austria from multiple perspectives: we will explore the national legal framework and share insights and good practices from our work with a special focus on digital literacy.

16:30 – 17:00 Brief Presentations from All Workshops and Concluding Remarks

Registration

To participate in the conference please register and select your preferred workshop.

Please register [here](#) until November 27. Participation is free of charge. Links to the panel discussion and workshops will be emailed shortly before conference date.

If you have any questions, special needs or remarks concerning the conference, please contact LEFÖ-IBF via email: ibf@lefoe.at

We will try our best to make attendance possible for everyone.

For more information on the project:



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