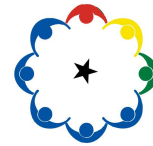


Support the Fight Against Human Trafficking in the States of the Gulf of Guinea



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Key Information

SECTOR: GOVERNANCE

LEAD PARTNER: EXPERTISE FRANCE

OTHER PARTNERS: MINISTRY OF GENDER, CHILDREN AND SOCIAL PROTECTION

DURATION: 2019-2022

TOTAL BUDGET EUR: 18,000,000.00 (regional budget covering 6 countries)

EU CONTRIBUTION EUR: 17,400,000.00



Background



The project aims to support the authorities and civil society in six Gulf of Guinea countries (Guinea, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Benin and Nigeria) in tackling human trafficking. The region is characterized by cross-border and circular trafficking: these are countries of origin, transit and destination for victims of trafficking.

It is estimated that 75% of migratory movements in West Africa occur within the region. The geographic area includes several major intraregional corridors facilitating migratory flows (legal or illegal) where migrants are exposed to multiple forms of abusive practices, primarily sexual exploitation or forced labour. Human trafficking in the region has both a national and transnational dimension.



Project Details



Implemented under the European Union Emergency Trust Fund for Africa (EUTF), the project promotes:

- a comprehensive approach, covering prevention, punitive measures, victim support and coordination
- an inclusive approach, involving all key institutional and civil society stakeholders and promoting continuous dialogue and well-coordinated actions
- the involvement and consultation, insofar as possible, of the beneficiary communities
- a multi-country approach addressing specific national challenges
- the integration of a regional dimension via the operationalization of bilateral and regional cooperation mechanisms, forums and feedback, a reinforced partnership with ECOWAS, and close coordination with existing initiatives

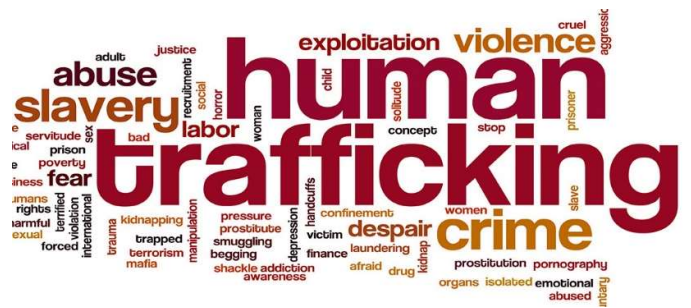
Overall objective: Support to authorities and civil society in six Gulf of Guinea countries in the fight against human trafficking through improved institutional and operational capacities, law enforcement, victim protection and regional cooperation

Expected Results



Main aims & planned actions

- Institutional and operational consolidation, and preventive actions: increasing the legitimacy, leadership and operational capacities of the competent inter-ministerial bodies (and their regional offshoots) via structural, organizational support and targeted prevention initiatives
- Law enforcement: increasing the criminal justice system's ability to tackle human trafficking
- Protection of victims: securing qualitative and quantitative improvements of common and specialised services accessible for VoTs
- Regional cooperation: stimulating cross-border cooperation and launching cooperation programmes pursuant to current bilateral and regional agreements, in partnership with ECOWAS



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