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Best Practices in Victims' Support: Referrals, Information, Individual Assessment (VICToRIIA)

Final Conference

Thursday 20th February 2020

10.30 – 16.30

Permanent Representation of Romania
to the European Union
Avenue de Cortenbergh 107, 1000 Brussels

Agenda

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| 10.00 | Arrival of participants Registration and coffee |
| 10.30 | Welcome words H.E. Mrs Luminița Teodora Odobescu, Ambassador, Permanent representative of Romania to the European Union Algimantas Čepas, Director, Center for Crime Prevention in Lithuania Levent Altan, Executive Director, Victim Support Europe |
| 11.00 – 12.15 | Session 1 – Introduction to the Victoriia project and presentation of national barriers in implementing the Victims' Rights Directive Understanding victims' needs and the importance of provision of information, referral and individual needs assessment in accessing support – Levent Altan, Executive Director, Victim Support Europe Objectives of the project and methodology – Algimantas Čepas, Director, Center for Crime Prevention in Lithuania Barriers in the implementation of the EU Victims' Rights Directive in Lithuania, Romania, Portugal and Italy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algimantas Čepas, Director, Center for Crime Prevention in Lithuania • Cezara David, Anti-discrimination Programme Manager, Center for Legal Resources • APAV |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mauro Bardi, Criminal lawyer and criminologist, Associazione Libra Onlus |
| 12.15 – 13.00 | <p>Session 2 – European good practices in information provision, referral and individual needs assessment</p> <p>How to best provide information to victims? The example of Infovictims – APAV</p> <p>Importance of cooperation between police and victim support in referral mechanism – Alex Sas, Policy advisor, Victim Support Netherlands</p> <p>Individual needs assessment during the first contact with victims – Caroline Birkett, Head of Service, Victim Support England and Wales</p> |
| 13.00 – 14.00 | Lunch |
| 14.00 – 15.00 | <p>Session 3 – Victims’ journey: Presentation of practical solutions to ensure victims’ access to support</p> <p>Provision of information: Online presentations of mapping and information package – Algimantas Čepas, Director, Center for Crime Prevention in Lithuania & Andrea Poltronieri, Psychologist and researcher, Associazione Libra Onlus</p> <p>Referral manual: definitions, core solutions to achieve referral & practical implementation – Cezara David, Anti-discrimination Programme Manager, Center for Legal Resources & Marta Carmo, Project Officer, APAV</p> <p>Individual needs assessment guidelines: how to best identify victims’ needs through an effective intake process – Léa Meindre-Chautrand, Policy Officer, Victim Support Europe</p> |
| 15.00 – 15.20 | Coffee break |
| 15.20 – 16.20 | <p>Session 4 – Looking into the future: next actions for partners and EU perspective</p> <p>What are the steps for partners and Member States after VICToRIIA?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algimantas Čepas, Director, Center for Crime Prevention in Lithuania Cezara David, Anti-discrimination Programme Manager, Center for Legal Resources APAV Mauro Bardi, Criminal lawyer and criminologist, Associazione Libra Onlus <p>Strengthening victims’ rights in the EU: time for a EU Victims Strategy – Katarzyna Janicka-Pawlowska, Team Leader, DG Justice European Commission & Levent Altan, Executive Director, Victim Support Europe</p> |
| 16.20 – 16.30 | <p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Algimantas Čepas, Director, Center for Crime Prevention in Lithuania</p> |