Human trafficking

Our Campaign

Every day, Emmaus International takes in trafficking victims and raises awareness about this threat. It’s calling for more robust laws to protect victims of contemporary slavery.

Key Words

Contemporary slavery
Protecting victims
More robust laws
Fighting against human trafficking

Slogan

Down with slavery!

Emmaus Initiatives Worldwide

Asia: Thanapara Swallows, Bangladesh
Awareness-raising and tackling domestic violence

Africa: AFA, Benin
Supporting abandoned children working on the markets

Europe: Lithuania
Missing Persons’ Families Support Centre

Our Arguments

> After arms and drug trafficking, human trafficking is the third most widespread form (UN 2013)
> It generates 32 billion Euros a year (UN 2013)
> In June 2012, the European Commission embarked on a strategy to eradicate human trafficking (Document on the 2012 – 2016 strategy)
> Every year, around 2.5 million victims — mainly women and children — are recruited and exploited worldwide (France Diplomacy)
> The type of exploitation varies: sexual exploitation, forced labour, domestic slavery, forced begging (France Diplomacy)

Pilot Project

In Europe

Emmaus Europe has been committed to this area since its creation in 2005.

Member organisations of Emmaus Europe run three types of activity:

> Awareness-raising
Lobbying authorities about the legal status of trafficking victims, and calling for international agreements to be respected

> Prevention
To raise awareness and find effective answers to problems

> Rehabilitating
 Victims by welcoming them unconditionally and by setting up pathways to economic and social integration.

The International Forum of Solidarity in Bosnia-Herzegovina has set up an online resource centre devoted to this issue: www.eurcenter.net

The proceeds of the Paris Salon were used to finance the website.