

# Addressing Trafficking of Human Beings in EU External Cooperation

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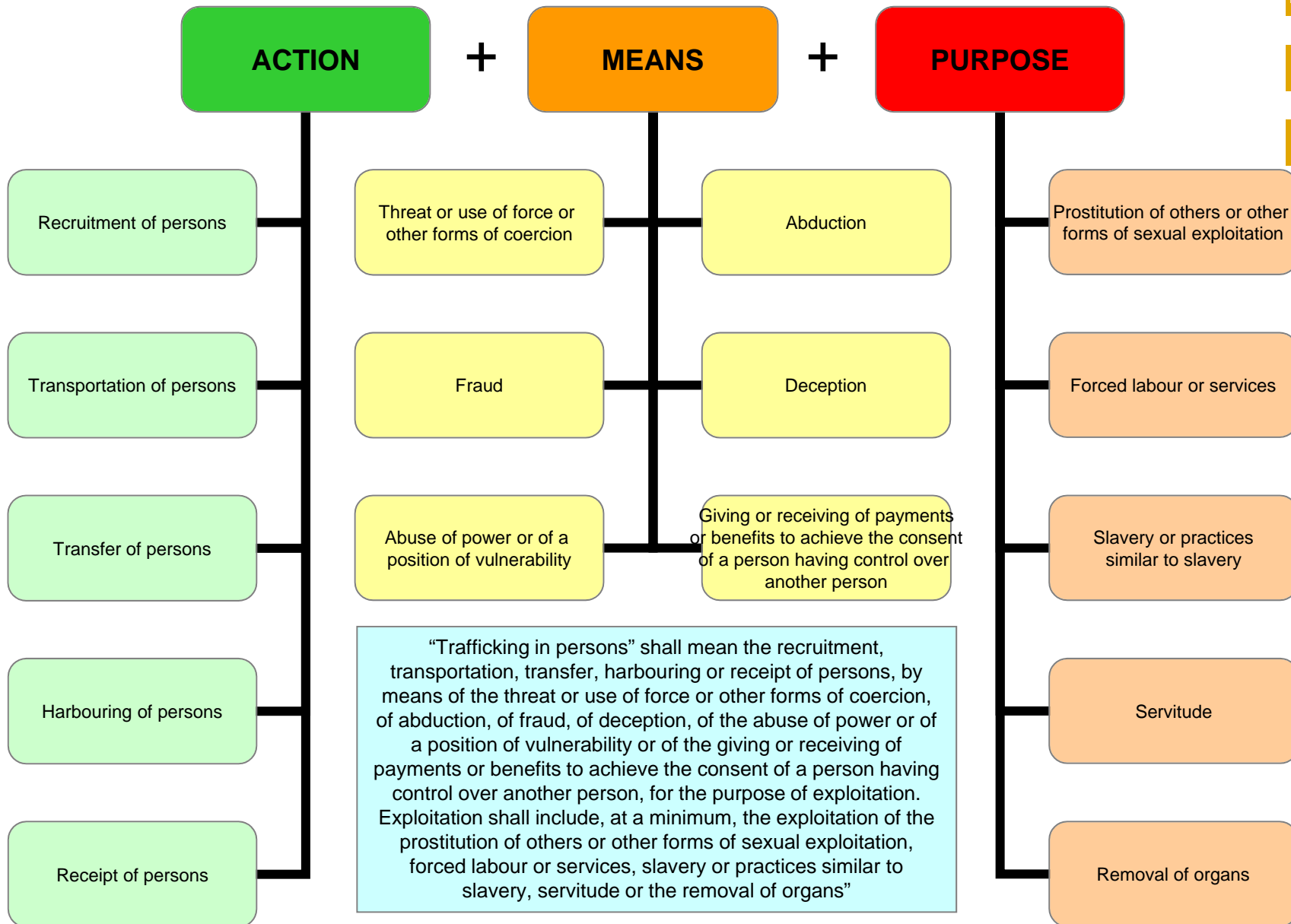


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# Trafficking in Persons



# Trafficking of Human Beings

## Human Rights

### Organised crime

police, prosecution, legislative and penal reform, witness protection

### Migration issue

border control, migration management, return and readmission, document security

### Public order

awareness raising, anti-corruption

### Labour issue

working conditions, child labour vocational training for vulnerable groups, black labour markets

### Moral issue

abolition/prohibition of commercial sex

### Cultural issue

awareness of possible negative effects of traditions

# External Dimension of the fight against THB

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## EU strategy against trafficking

- ✓ *Council of Europe Convention on Action against trafficking*
- ✓ *Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU (2000)*

## EU External Policy on fighting THB

- **October 18<sup>th</sup>** Anti-trafficking day
- AOP on external dimension of trafficking
- With **Africa**:
  - Ouagadougou Action Plan (2006)
  - Africa-EU MME Partnership
  - AU COMMIT Campaign (2009-2012)
  - ACP Observatory on Migrations (2010)
- **In other Regions**: Budapest/Prague Process, ASEM Dialogue, Bali Ministerial Process...

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### EC External Cooperation:

- ***TP Migration and Asylum*** – Overall cooperation in THB and Smuggling (Call for Proposals + Targeted initiatives)
- ***EIDHR and NSA***: Protection of rights and rehabilitation of victims (Call for Proposal, mainly civil society)
- ***Instrument for Stability***: fighting transnational criminality
- ***Investing in People***: labour exploitation, Medical and psychosocial support to victims.
- ***Geographical instruments*** (EDF, DCI, ENPI...): Broader support to comprehensive anti-THB strategies at national and regional level

# Strategy against trafficking

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- Promote ratification of international instruments
- Address prevention, protection and prosecution (3 P's)
- Comprehensive Anti-THB support (Capacity building)
- **The key concern must be the victim!**

## Prevention

1. Awareness raising
2. Promote good governance
3. Capacity building for law enforcement
4. Research and data collection
5. Risk assessments
6. Combat informal economy and labour markets in destination countries

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## Protection

1. Victim identification and referral systems
2. Victim support systems (legal aid, social benefits, health care, witness protection)
3. Victim rehabilitation
4. Return and Re-integration

## Prosecution

1. Adoption and implementation of laws and sharpening of definitions
2. Training of law enforcement bodies
3. Penalties for traffickers
4. Cooperation between origin, transit and destination countries
5. Combat corruption

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