INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION
50+M
People in a situation of human trafficking

2.7M↑ Forced Labor

6.6M↑ Forced Marriage

ILO Report, September 2022
Facts and figures

28 million
men, women and children are in forced labour
2022 Global estimates

63%
of forced labour happens in the private economy
ILO Global Business Network on Forced Labour

236 billion US$
generated in illegal profits every year
Profits & Poverty (2024)

60
countries ratified the ILO Forced Labour Protocol
Forced Labour Observatory
Persons involved in trafficking in human beings by legal status (1)

(number of persons, EU, 2008-2022)

Source: Eurostat 2022
**ACT**
The trafficker must do one of the following to people
- Recruit
- Transport
- Transfer
- Harbour
- Receive

**MEANS**
Using one or more of these methods
- Threat or use of force
- Coercion
- Fraud
- Deception
- Abuse of a position of vulnerability
- Giving payments or benefits
- Abduction

**PURPOSE**
For exploitation

Source: Unodc.org
Victim profile (Eurostat):

- 63% are women and girls
- Have economic and relational vulnerabilities

Profile of Ukrainian refugee (UNICEF):

- 80% are women and children
- All of them are displaced
Relationship between Ukrainian asylum applications and detection of Ukrainian trafficking victims, in Western and Central Europe, 2009-2022

Source: UNODC elaboration of national data and UNHCR data.
EUROPEAN ANTI-TRAFFICKING PROGRAM
PROGRAM VISION:
Strengthened and coordinated justice systems protect vulnerable populations from trafficking, both domestically and across Europe.
Program Pillars

Vulnerable populations are protected from cross-border trafficking

PILLAR 1
EUROPEAN CROSS-BORDER COLLABORATION

PILLAR 2
STRONG CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM RESPONSE

PILLAR 3
EMPOWERED SURVIVORS
Current vs. Future Operations

- IJM is currently operating in Romania and supporting cross-border trafficking cases as they relate to the UK, Germany and the Netherlands.
- IJM has started doing assessments for expansion into Poland, Hungary and Bulgaria.
- IJM will at a later stage expand operations to Spain, Italy and France.
Measures for railway stations and hubs

- Provide accessible information - in multiple languages
- Connections to authorities and service providers
- Enhanced identification of victims (abuse, forced begging, child abuse)
- Early reporting of crimes
- Crisis response plan
- Designated, trained staff for emergency situations
THANK YOU!