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Trafficking of Women in Post-Communist Europe
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PROGRAM

Thursday 17 April

Keynote Address (5-6:30pm)

Madeleine Rees, Head of the Women's Rights and Gender Unit, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
 "The Failures of Identification and Response to Trafficking of Women in Eastern Europe"

Conference Dinner (7:00 pm)

Oksenberg Room, Encina Hall, for keynote speaker, conference panelists and invited guests

Friday 18 April

Coffee – light breakfast (9-9:30am)

Conference Introduction (9:30-9:45am)

Katherine Jolluck (Senior Lecturer, Department of History & Acting Director, Forum on Contemporary Europe, Stanford University)

Panel One: The Trafficking Problem: Who's Involved? (9:45-11:45am)

Sarah Mendelson (Director, Human Rights and Security Initiative, Center for Strategic & International Studies) and

Ted Gerber (Professor, Sociology, University of Wisconsin) – "A Survey Study of Russian Women on Trafficking: Awareness, Vulnerability, and Concern"

Simona Zavratnik (Research Associate, University of Primorska, Slovenia) - "Trafficking of Women and the Victim's Perspective: Reflections on the Slovenian Case"

Donna Hughes (Professor, Women's Studies Program, University of Rhode Island) –
“The Demand Side of Transnational Sex Trafficking”

CHAIR/DISCUSSANT - Jayashri Srikantiah (Associate Professor, Stanford Law School)

Lunch (12-1pm)

For conference panelists

Panel Two: Interventions: Law and the State (1:15-3:15)

Eva Brems (Professor, Human Rights Law, Ghent University) - “The Human Rights Perspective in the Council of Europe Convention on Action Against Trafficking in Human Beings”

Martina Vandenberg (Associate, Jenner & Block LLP) – "Human Trafficking in the Balkans: Corruption and Impunity"

Antoaneta Vassileva (Executive Secretary, National Commission for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, Bulgaria) – “The Bulgarian Model for Combating Trafficking of Human Beings”

Daniel Horodniceanu (Chief Prosecutor, Anti-Trafficking Bureau of General Prosecutor's Office, Romania) – “Financial Compensation for Trafficked Women”

CHAIR/DISCUSSANT - Helen Stacy (Senior Lecturer, Stanford Law School)

Coffee Break (3:15-3:30pm)

Panel Three: Interventions: Non-Governmental and International Organizations (3:30-5:30)

Stana Buchowska (National Coordinator, La Strada Poland) - "Best Practices and Challenges of Direct Assistance to Trafficked Persons in La Strada Poland"

Oksana Horbunova (Deputy Counter-trafficking Program Coordinator, International Organization for Migration, Mission in Ukraine) – “Trafficking in Human Beings: Myth and Reality”

Jacqueline Berman (Principal Research Analyst, Berkeley Policy Associates) –
“Not the Usual Suspects: Exchanging Insecurity and Bare Life for the International Organization of Human Trafficking in a Liminal European Zone”

CHAIR/DISCUSSANT – Kathleen Kim (Associate Professor, Loyola Law School)

Conference Dinner and Round-Table Discussion (7:30pm)

For conference panelists, in Palo Alto

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