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ODIHR's International Survivors of Trafficking Advisory Council (ISTAC)

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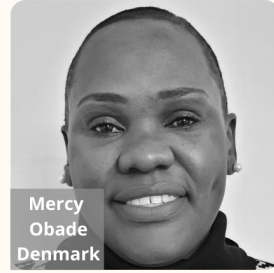
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The OSCE participating States have made a number of commitments regarding the inclusion and promotion of voices of survivors of trafficking in OSCE anti-trafficking efforts (MC.DEC No. 6/18; MC.DEC No. 6/17). On the basis of these commitments and in line with its mandate to assist participating States in the implementation of their human dimension commitments, the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) established the International Survivors of Trafficking Advisory Council (ISTAC). The ISTAC consists of 21 members, who are survivor leaders of trafficking, with due attention to diversity in terms of expertise, gender and geographical location.

The role of the ISTAC

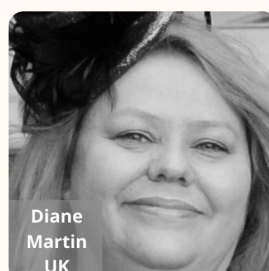
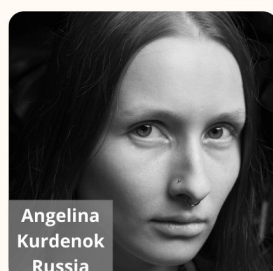
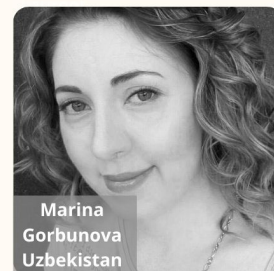
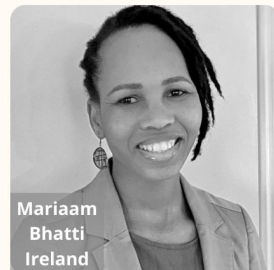
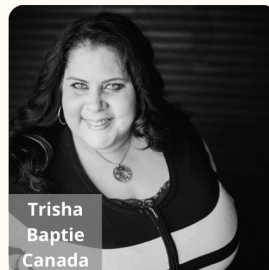
- Provide advice, guidance and recommendations to ODIHR, and through ODIHR to the OSCE participating States, on matters pertaining to combating trafficking in human beings (CTHB), including but not limited to:
 - (draft) legislation, policies and state practices;
 - the implementation of relevant OSCE commitments;
 - research, drafting and/or reviewing of material related to the international normative framework in the area of CTHB; and
 - educational and capacity-building efforts undertaken by ODIHR in the implementation of its efforts to CTHB in the OSCE region;
- Provide guidance to survivor leaders on the tools necessary to foster the growth of national and international survivor networks; and
- Promote the standardization of survivor-related terminology within anti-trafficking frameworks.

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"My lived experience empowers me to help drive changes for policies and legislation that are critically needed to eradicate human trafficking. Working to prevent trafficking is vital, and eradication requires intervention at all levels of society. I am honored to be part of ISTAC. Together, we will work to implement civil and legal frameworks that support and enforce anti-trafficking legislation."

Shandra Woworuntu - ISTAC Chair

Contact

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