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Sixth Meeting of National Authorities

on Trafficking in Persons

May 13-14, 2021

Virtual

SCHEDULE

SIXTH MEETING OF NATIONAL AUTHORITIES

ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

(Adopted on May 13, 2021, at the Introductory Session)

**Thursday, May 13, 2021**

9:30 - 9:45 a.m. **Logging on to the OAS virtual platform**

9:45 - 10:10 a.m. **Opening ceremony**

* Remarks by host country (Argentina)
* Remarks by Dr. Arthur Weintraub, Secretary for Multidimensional Security, OAS

10:10 - 10:15 a.m. **Introductory Session**

1. Election of Officers
	* 1. Chair
		2. Vice Chair
2. Adoption of the agenda and work schedule

10:15 - 11:00 a.m. **FIRST PLENARY SESSION**

10:15 - 10:25 a.m. **Host Country Report**

* Report on activities carried out by Argentina in the area of trafficking in persons

10:25 - 10:35 a.m. **Technical Secretariat activity report**

1. Guillermo Moncayo, Acting Director of the Department of Public Security, OAS
2. Gastón Schulmeister, Director of the Department against Transnational Organized Crime, OAS

10:35 - 11: 00 a.m. **Generation of information and knowledge on trafficking in persons**

* Progress report on the OAS General Secretariat’s Trafficking in Persons Knowledge Platform
	1. Karen Bozicovich, Head of the Information and Knowledge Section, Secretariat for Multidimensional Security, OAS
	2. Jane Piazer, Violence Prevention Section Specialist, DPS/OAS
* Dialogue and observations of the member states on the production, use, and dissemination of information and knowledge on trafficking in persons

11:00 - 1:00 p.m. **SECOND PLENARY SESSION**

Presentations and dialogue among National Authorities on progress and challenges with regard to trafficking in persons

1:00 p.m. **End of the first day of activities**

**Friday, May 14, 2021**

10:00 - 11:20 a.m. **THIRD PLENARY SESSION**

 **Impact of the coronavirus pandemic on the fight against trafficking in persons. Changes in the patterns of criminal organizations and member state responses to the new challenges**

 Moderator: Anna Uchoa, Head of the Violence Prevention Section, Department of Public Security, OAS

* International context of human trafficking during the COVID-19 pandemic, panelist:
	+ Mr. Carlos Perez, Criminal Justice and Crime Prevention Specialist, UNODC
* Prevention area and victim assistance area, panelist:
	+ Ms. Zaida Gatti, Coordinator of the National Program for the Rescue and Support of Victims of Human Trafficking Crimes, Ministry of Justice and Human Rights, Argentina
* Prosecution area, panelists:
	+ Ms. Sandy Recinos, Executive Secretary, Secretariat against Sexual Violence, Exploitation, and Trafficking in Persons, Guatemala
	+ Mr. Alexander Esau Colop Flores, Head of the Office of the Human Trafficking Prosecutor, Public Prosecutor’s Office of Guatemala
* Interagency/international cooperation area, panelist:
	+ Mr. Tomás Guayasamin, Director of Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Prevention, Ministry of the Interior, Ecuador
1. Dialogue among member states

11:20 – 11:30 a.m. **Break**

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **FOURTH PLENARY SESSION**

 **Return of victims of trafficking in persons and reparation through tracing and recovery of money derived from the crime of trafficking in persons and seized funds**

 Moderator: Gastón Schulmeister, Director, Department against Transnational Organized Crime, OAS

* International Cooperation to Counter Trafficking in Human Beings, panelist:
	+ Mrs. Innocentia Apovo, Coordinator of the Human Trafficking unit, INTERPOL
* Recovery and tracing of the proceeds of TIP crime, panelists:
	+ Mr. Barry MacKillop, Deputy Director of Intelligence, Financial Transactions and Reports Analysis Centre of Canada
	+ Mrs. Theresa Forbes- Senior Policy Advisor, Anticorruption, Human Rights, and Conservation Crimes, U.S. Department of the Treasury
	+ Mrs. Jane Khodarkovsky, Money Laundering and Asset Recovery Section, U.S. Department of Justice
* Victim return and reparation facilitation policies and mechanisms, panelist:
	+ Gustavo Vera, Director, Executive Committee to Combat Human Trafficking and Exploitation and to Protect and Assist Victims of Human Trafficking (Argentina)
1. Dialogue among member states

1:00 - 1:15 p.m. **Approval of the Argentina Recommendations against trafficking in persons**

1:15 – 1:20 p.m. **Chair of the Seventh Meeting of National Authorities on Trafficking in Persons**

1:20 – 1:35 p.m. **Closing ceremony**

Remarks by Argentina

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