

Bali Process Working Group on Trafficking in Persons (TIP)

Forward Work Plan: 2017-19

Background and Purpose

The Bali Process Working Group on Trafficking in Persons (Working Group) is a network of experts on trafficking from Bali Process member countries and organisations, led by the Bali Process Ad Hoc Group. Establishment of the Working Group was an outcome of the Fifth Bali Process Ministerial Conference Meeting held on 2 April 2013. The Working Group's Terms of Reference were endorsed by the Bali Process Ad Hoc Group on 6 August 2014.

The role of the Working Group as set out in its Term of Reference is to:

- promote effective and coordinated approaches amongst members to prevent, investigate and prosecute trafficking in persons crimes and protect and assist trafficked people
- identify specific capacity building needs of Bali Process members and ways to address those needs
- explore the extent to which issues of increasing importance, such as trafficking for the purposes of labour exploitation, affect Bali Process members, and identify avenues for cooperation to address emerging issues
- share information on trends, issues, and initiatives related to trafficking in persons
- identify ways in which the Bali Process can complement, draw from and coordinate with the efforts of other fora/organisations or programs working to address trafficking in persons, including other Regional Consultative Processes on migration (RCPs); and community, industry and private sector groups
- propose relevant initiatives on trafficking in persons and related issues for inclusion in the forward work plan for the Regional Support Office to the Bali Process (RSO), including coordinating with existing work conducted by the RSO, and
- consider other issues determined by the Working Group as relevant to fulfilling its role.

The current Forward Work Plan is a continuation of and builds upon the achievements of the Working Group's 2015-2017 Work Plan. It is a living document. Other initiatives by Bali Process members, which are in line with the stated role of the TIP Working Group and which aim to achieve the goals of the Bali Process, are welcomed.

Action Items 2017-19

Action	Status
<p>1. Regularly share information and engage in a dialogue on developments, issues and experiences in implementing policy and legal responses to TIP.</p>	<p>Ongoing. Annual meetings of the Working Group will be held in 2018 and 2019, and regular updates on developments and trends will be shared through newsletters circulated to the Working Group via email, and updates to the Bali Process Regional Strategic Roadmap online tool.</p>
<p>2. Expand the promotion and use of the Bali Process Policy Guides on <i>Criminalising Migrant Smuggling</i> and <i>TIP</i>, and <i>Identification and Protection of Victims of Trafficking</i> in the region, and once finalised, on <i>Following the Money in TIP Cases</i> through training for law and justice officials in Bali Process member countries, and other opportunities.</p>	<p>Ongoing. The activities are conducted by Working Group member countries and/or the RSO</p>
<p>3. Promote effective engagement with the private sector and civil society organisations to prevent and combat TIP, and protect and assist victims.</p>	<p>Ongoing. This includes support for the Bali Process Government and Business Forum, to be held in Perth on 24-25 August 2017.</p>
<p>a. Encourage governments to lead by example, by implementing provisions to prevent human trafficking in their respective supply chains of goods and services.</p>	<p>For action 2017-19 Share promising practices.</p>
<p>4. Following the Money in TIP Cases</p>	
<p>Continue to build Bali Process members' awareness of, and capacity to use, 'follow the money' tools and techniques to support investigation and prosecution of TIP, and disrupt the associated illicit profits.</p>	<p>For action – 2017.</p>
<p>a. Recommend the Bali Process Following the Money materials for adoption at the 2017 Bali Process Ad Hoc Group Senior Officials' Meeting.</p>	<p>For action – 2017. These include the Policy Guide and Training Module on <i>Following the Money in TIP Cases</i>, and the Report <i>Financial Footprints: An Analysis of Financial Investigations to Combat TIP in the Asia-Pacific Region</i>, including any revisions agreed to be implemented following the consultation workshop to finalise the materials.</p>
<p>b. Translate the Following the Money materials into regional languages.</p>	<p>For action – 2017-19.</p>

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<p>c. Support international efforts to develop typologies on the business models used by TIP criminal networks and to build the expertise of financial intelligence units on the financial indicators associated with TIP. This should include sharing the Report <i>An Analysis of Financial Investigations to Combat TIP in the Asia-Pacific Region</i> with relevant fora and organisations.</p>	<p>For action – 2017-19.</p>
<p>d. Promote the development of partnerships between the public and private sector in Bali Process member countries to use money trails to detect and investigate trafficking in persons.</p>	<p>For action – 2017-19.</p>
<p>5. Combatting Trafficking for the Purposes of Labour and Sexual Exploitation</p>	
<p>Strengthen Bali Process member countries' capacity to combat labour and sexual exploitation, including through developing tools and guidance for law and justice officials, including immigration and labour officials.</p>	<p>For action – 2017-19.</p>
<p>6. Tackling Corruption as a key facilitator of TIP</p>	
<p>Strengthen Bali Process member countries' awareness of corruption as a key facilitator of TIP, and explore opportunities to strengthen engagement between anti-corruption and TIP practitioners.</p>	<p>For action – 2017-19.</p>
<p>7. Strengthening International Cooperation to Support Investigation of TIP Cases</p>	
<p>Promote effective international crime cooperation (mutual assistance and extradition) between Bali Process member countries to support the prosecution of TIP cases.</p>	<p>For action – 2017-19.</p>