



# The Handbook For Embassies And Diplomatic Missions – How To Assist And Protect Victims Of Human Trafficking – IOM's contribution and work

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## Numbers and trends

**50 million**

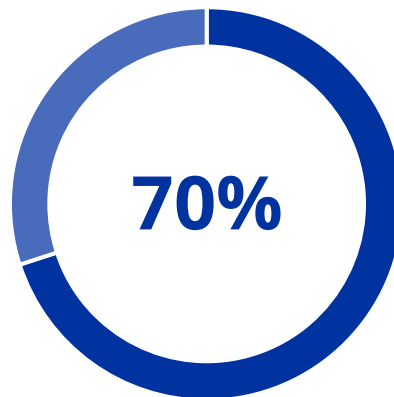
**people in modern  
slavery globally (ILO,  
Walk Free, IOM 2022).**

According to IOM, ILO and  
Walk Free data from 2022

# HANDBOOK

FOR EMBASSIES AND DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS ON HOW TO ASSIST AND PROTECT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

## Handbook's Added Value



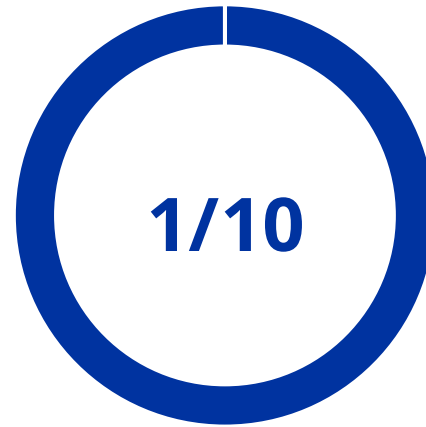
**all identified victims are trafficked across international borders, per IOM's data**

- First of its kind.
- Embassies and Diplomatic Missions in a key position to detect and assist victims.





## Child-Rights Based Approach



**person trafficked across  
international borders is a child**

- The most vulnerable to violence, abuse, trafficking, and exploitation.
- Specific of children covered in the Handbook.
- Best interests of the child.
- Appropriate assistance and protection.



## Victim-Centred Approach

- Individual needs of the person and tailored responses
- Disconnecting assistance provision and victim's participation in criminal proceedings
- Safety implications
- Confidentiality
- No discrimination





## Multi-stakeholder approach

- No one can act single handedly
- Break the **chain of exploitation**
- Contribute to the **“chain of assistance”**

## IOM's Role in Combating Trafficking in Persons

- Actively works to prevent and combat trafficking in persons.
  - Over the past 25 years, IOM has implemented more than 1,100 counter-trafficking projects in 132 countries.
- Provided assistance to more than 100,000 victims.
  - Strengthens capacity of relevant stakeholders by delivering trainings.

# IOM's Response and Support Worldwide



Protection Case  
Management, MHPSS



Referrals, Provision of information,  
Cultural Mediation and Legal  
Counselling



Data collection



Awareness-Raising Campaigns  
on Trafficking Risks



Capacity building for law  
enforcement and diplomatic  
personnel



Support for victims with Assisted  
Voluntary Returns and Reintegration



# THANK YOU

## QUESTIONS?

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