

INVITATION

TOGETHER AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING: PREVENTION OF CHILD TRAFFICKING IN EUROPE IN THE CURRENT CONTEXT

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The European Center for Legal Education and Research (ECLER), together with the members of the Romanian Network of NGOs against Human Trafficking (RoTIP), is very pleased to invite you to participate in the 8th edition of the forum "*Together against human trafficking: Prevention of Child Trafficking in Europe in the Current Context*", organised within the ProUCare project that is funded by Care International with support of SERA Romania Foundation and the Federation of Non-Governmental Organizations for Children - FONPC. The event is supported by the Romanian-American University, ANPDCA, DIICOT, the French Embassy and the French Institute in Romania. The forum celebrates the 74th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Human Rights Day, **taking place at the Romanian-American University, in Bucharest, on 12 December 2022**, in accordance with the attached Agenda, periodically updated on the website of the event.

TAHT has been an annual forum organised to facilitate the discussion among relevant actors for a stronger and more coordinated response to human trafficking in Europe. The 8th edition of the event addresses the main challenges that we face in preventing and combating trafficking in minors or protecting the survivors in the current regional context, emphasizing the need for effective interinstitutional cooperation and better referral mechanisms for children. Human trafficking eradication is impossible without a strong transnational cooperation in criminal matters, based on an integrated and comprehensive approach.

Preventing trafficking in children remains, by far, one of the main challenges that Romania is facing today. According to the present trends identified by the European Union in the <u>Report published in</u> <u>October 2020</u> on human trafficking, the number of exploited Romanian children has increased 10 times in 2 years. Also, the 2020 report of the <u>Parliamentary Committee of Inquiry into the situation of missing children in Romania</u> and the 2022 <u>data reported by the Romanian Government</u> support this reality.

We would be pleased to have you join us and kindly ask you to confirm your participation in this event until **5th of December 2022**, by filling in the <u>online form</u>. In appreciation of your efforts, the ECLER and the Romanian-American University will issue certificates of participation in accordance with the terms and conditions mentioned in the form.

Dissemination of this invitation among professionals in the field is appreciated!

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