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IMO Actions

The IMO states their ultimate objective as an end to the trafficking of migrants and the protection of those that are already being trafficked. According to this organization, the achievement of these objectives depends on the adoption of a strategic perspective that considers certain questions. In the first place, the response to the traffic of persons should be global and integrated, in a mode that treats the problem of migration in general terms and that creates prevention programs with the goals of sensitizing the population to the problem of traffic and also fortifying institutions that could work against it.

According to the IMO, the prevention effort needs to focus on consciousness-raising campaigns that are directed towards vulnerable populations, as well as the clients of prostitutes and policy makers. According to this organization, the protection and assistance programs should be developed with a focus on human rights, the security and confidentiality of victims contemplating voluntary return, assistance for reintegration in the country of origin or assistance in maintaining residence in the destination country. This reintegration should include medical, psychological and legal assistance, and the guarantee of security and job orientation for victims.

With respect to institutional environment, the IMO understands the development of regional and subregional strategies as optimal, as they allow the problem to be addressed from a multilateral perspective and generate spaces where countries with similar problems can find solutions with regional applicability. The application of the programs should be done with the cooperation of other NGO's and international organizations.

In Latin America, the IMO has two twelve month programs that are being implemented in Colombia and one project in Argentina. The Argentine project aims to sensitize governmental authorities and non-governmental organizations, carrying out investigations that should increase knowledge of the phenomenon and elaborate practical operations for helping victims.