

“People at Risk: Combating Human Trafficking Along Migration Routes”

**Panel 3: Reducing Unaccompanied
Minors' Vulnerability to Human Trafficking**

Croatian Red Cross Experience

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Croatian Red Cross migration work

- **Red Cross/Red Crescent Fundamental Principles**
- **International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies Migration Policy**
- **Agreements on cooperation:** **Ministry of Interior**
Ministry of Social Policy and Youth
UNHCR



Croatia - transit country

- The New International and Temporary Protection Act
- UAMs accommodated in the **asylum reception centre for vulnerable groups** or the socio-pedagogical facilities of the Social Welfare authorities
- **High risk of disappearances**
- **On the move - risk of irregularity**
- **Lack of awareness on TiP**
- **Dependency on adults who might be involved in trafficking**



CRC Main Activities – asylum reception centres

- Psychosocial support, social services
- Support to UAMs tailored to their needs and resources
- Empowerment: access to education and skills building
- Continuing care and follow up
- **National Referral Mechanism**

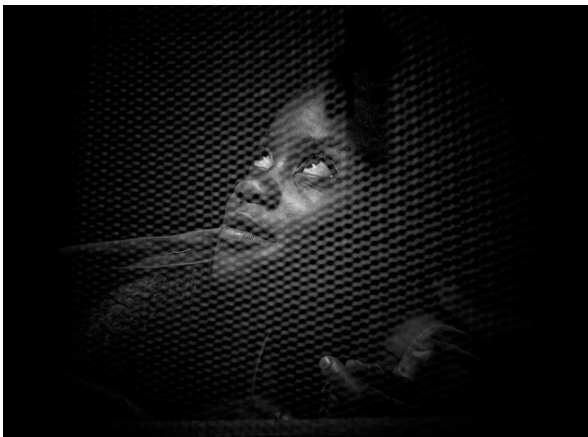


Unaccompanied minors

- **Prevention and monitoring of safeguards for human trafficking and SGBV**
- **Trafficking prevention activities in the reception centres: information on TiP provided in appropriate way - individual talks, workshops, movies followed by discussion**
- **Identification: cooperation and referral in accordance with the National Referral Mechanism**

Unaccompanied minors

- **Raising awareness and enhancing cooperation amongst institutions and CSO: establishment of "Coordination for UAMs"**
- **Training of special guardians - UNHCR, Ministry of Social Policy and Youth**



Unaccompanied minors

First and foremost children

