Study Group: Human Dignity Under Attack -- Exploring New Ways to Prevent and Repress Modern Slavery

September 10, 2017

The Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation and the Carr for Human Rights Policy invite you to join a study group on innovations in the fight against human trafficking. The study group, which will meet five times this semester, is convened and moderated by Herman Bolhaar, Former Attorney-General of The Netherlands and Senior Fellow at the Ash Center.

Our first study group will feature Professor Amy Farrell, Associate Director and Associate Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Northeastern University.

The goal of the study group is to examine the problem of human trafficking from multiple perspectives and explore innovative solutions. Participants will learn from discussing assigned readings, from invited experts on the topic, and from each other as they contribute to an action memo to policymakers. Each session will discuss a broad variety of topics, including international developments, the complex stakeholder environment, public-private collaboration, (moral) leadership, public awareness and support, using data, measuring progress and creating accountability for dealing effectively with the problem.

Format

Each session will feature a guest speaker and approach the topic from a particular side. The sessions will address:

The human side: the perspective of the victim

The legal side: the perspective from the human rights framework

The enforcement side: the perspective of strategic cross-sector collaboration
The scientific side: the perspective of fact based problem analysis and
evidence based interventions

Participants are expected to prepare each study group by reading the assigned readings and preparing to discuss the topic of the session with the moderator and the guest speakers.

Meeting Schedule:

LOCATION: Ash Center Conference Room, HKS, 124 Mt. Auburn Street, Suite 200 North, Room 226

Monday, 9/18: 4:00 pm-6:00 pm Amy Farrell, Associate Director and Associate Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Northeastern University Tuesday, 10/10: 1:00 pm-3:00 pm (note different day and time) Danilo Mandić is a comparative historical sociologist and Lecturer on Sociology in the Department of Sociology, Harvard University

Monday, 10/30: 4:00 pm-6:00 pm **Dr. Laura Cordisco Tsai, Fellow at the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at Harvard University and a Visiting Scholar at New York University**

Monday, 11/13: 4:00 pm-6:00 pm TBD Monday, 11/27: 4:00 pm-6:00 pm TBD