



FACT SHEET

Swiss Coordination Unit against the Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants (KSMM)

The Swiss Coordination Unit against the Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants (KSMM) was established in 2002 by the Federal Department of Justice and Police (FDJP) and began work on 1 January 2003. With its office incorporated into the Federal Office of Police (fedpol), KSMM provides the necessary structures and networks for fighting and preventing human trafficking and smuggling in Switzerland effectively. Its primary objective is to provide better protection for victims and bring the perpetrators to justice.

Fighting and preventing human trafficking and migrant smuggling requires measures in the fields of victim protection, law enforcement and prevention. Jurisdiction over these areas lies partly with the federal authorities and partly with the cantons. The KSMM is responsible for coordinating the work between these players and ensuring that procedures are consistent throughout the whole of Switzerland.

The KSMM is also responsible for ensuring that the recommendations of the interdepartmental report "Human Trafficking in Switzerland" and the additional protocols to the UN Convention on the Prevention of Transnational Organised Crime Regarding Human Trafficking and Smuggling, to which Switzerland is a signatory, are implemented. Furthermore, the KSMM is the federal and cantonal information, coordination and analysis centre for combating human trafficking and migrant smuggling, and is the main contact and coordination office for international cooperation. Its objective is to bring about a measurable improvement in the fields of prevention, law enforcement and victim protection.

Teams of specialists, headed by the KSMM office, define concepts and strategies for fighting human trafficking and migrant smuggling. These form the basis of the political decision-making process. The KSMM also coordinates the preparation of reports, discussion papers and statements on matters regarding human trafficking and migrant smuggling.

The KSMM made up of representatives from the FDJP, the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA), the Federal Department of Finance (FDF), the Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research (EAER) and the cantons (see overleaf). If necessary, it can also consult external experts from non-governmental organisations. The supreme body is the KSMM Steering Committee, which is made up of executives from all the federal and cantonal offices involved. The KSMM also has a Permanent Secretariat managed by the Federal Office of Police fedpol.

KSMM Members

Confederation

- Human Security Division (HSD), Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)
- Directorate of International Law (DIL), Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)
- Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)
- Swiss Border Guard Corps (Central Command), Federal Department of Finance (FDF)
- Office of the Attorney General of Switzerland (OAG)
- State Secretariat for Migration (SEM), Federal Department of Justice and Police (FDJP)
- Federal Office of Justice (FOJ), Federal Department of Justice and Police (FDJP)
- Federal Office of Police (fedpol), Federal Department of Justice and Police (FDJP)
- State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO), Directorate of Labour, Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research (EAER)

Cantons

- Conference of the Cantonal Police Commanders of Switzerland (CCPCS)
- Swiss Public Prosecutors Conference (SPPC)
- Swiss Conference of Equal Opportunity Officers (SCEOO)
- Conference of Swiss Liaison Offices for the Victim Assistance Act (CSLO VAA)
- Association of Cantonal Migration Authorities (ACMA)

Participating NGOs/IOs

- International Organization for Migration (IOM), Bern
- FIZ Advocacy and support for migrant women und victims of trafficking, Zurich
- *Fondation Au Cœur des Grottes*, Geneva
- *Kinderschutz Schweiz*

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