

Practices of cooperation, coordination

Spain

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Regional Trafficking Task Force

The Framework Protocol for the Protection of Victims of Human Trafficking, adopted by agreement of October 28, 2011, by the Ministries of Justice, Interior, Employment and Social Security and Health, Social Services and Equality, the State Attorney General's Office and the Council of the Judiciary establishes the requirement to set up a **regional trafficking task force in all autonomous communities** on a semester basis.¹ This regional task force on human trafficking and exploitation establishes these meetings to monitor actions related to the trafficking situations detected and to ensure adequate inter-institutional coordination.² The meeting will be attended by the Violence against Women Government Delegations of the region, the Prosecutor, and the police commanders specialized in the investigation of the crime of trafficking, as well as a person representing the Labor and Social Security Inspectorate and another representing the corresponding Government Delegation or Sub delegation, t³ Furthermore, the Protocol establishes working groups in which civil society participates. **Emakunde** (Basque Women Institute) brings together representatives of the Department of Employment and Social Policies, the Department of Security, the Ertzaintza, the Provincial Councils, the Public Prosecutor's Office, the Government Delegation, and social agents such as Caritas, CEAR Euskadi, Doctors of the World, the Anti-AIDS Commission, the Red Cross, Gizarterako, Askabide, Oblatas and Accem⁴⁵

¹ The Framework Protocol for the Protection of Victims of Human Trafficking, adopted by agreement of October 28, 2011, by the Ministries of Justice, Interior, Employment and Social Security and Health, Social Services and Equality, the State Attorney General's Office and the Council of the Judiciary. Available at: <https://violenciagenero.igualdad.gob.es/va/otrasFormas/trata/normativaProtocolo/marco/home.htm>

² Press Release. Ministry of Territorial Politics and Democratic Memory. The Coordination Committee on Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation meets to strengthen coordination between institutions to prevent and protect victims of trafficking and sexual exploitation. Available at: https://mpt.gob.es/delegaciones_gobierno/delegaciones/castillaleon/actualidad/notas_de_prensa/notas/2023/10/2023-10-17_02.html

³ Ibid.

⁵ Ibid.

Civil Society Dialogue – a platform for dialogue between the government and the National Disability Council

The National Council on Disability (NCD) (under the Ministry of Social Rights, Consumption and Agenda 2030 established a platform (Civil Society Dialogue) that favors the dialogue and communication between the government and the entities⁶

The National Council on Disability (CND) is a collegiate interministerial body, of a consultative nature, created in 2004 by Royal Decree 1865/2004, of September 6, regulated by Royal Decree 1855/2009, of December 4, 2009. It was amended in 2012 (Royal Decree 1146/2012 of July 27, 2012) and recently in May 2021 (Royal Decree 369/2021 of May 25, 2021).⁷ The Civil Society Dialogue enables organizations of people with disabilities and their families to participate in the elaboration, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of regulations and policies related to people with disabilities.⁸ The State Protectorate of the Spanish National Organization for the Blind (ONCE) corresponds to the Ministry of Social Rights, Consumption and Agenda 2030, in accordance with Article 8 of Royal Decree 358/1991, of March 15. ONCE is a public law corporation created by Decree of December 13, 1938, which goals are aimed at achieving personal autonomy and full integration of people, of Spanish nationality, with blindness or severe visual impairment, through the provision of social services. To this end, it is the owner of several types of lotteries, from the state reserve, which are subject to strict public control.⁹

⁶ Ministry of Social Rights, Consumption and Agenda 2030. Information on Disability. Civil dialogue with entities (ONCE and Spanish Red Cross). State Protectorate of the Spanish National Organization for the Blind (ONCE). Available at: [https://www.mdsocialesa2030.gob.es/derechos-sociales/discapacidad/informacion/index.htm?#modulo-7\)dis-dialogo](https://www.mdsocialesa2030.gob.es/derechos-sociales/discapacidad/informacion/index.htm?#modulo-7)dis-dialogo)

⁷ Royal Decree 369/2021, of May 25, amending Royal Decree 358/1991, of March 15, which reorganizes the Spanish National Organization for the Blind; Royal Decree 415/1996, of March 1, which establishes the rules for the organization of the Spanish Red Cross; Royal Decree 177/2004, of January 30, 2004, which determines the composition, operation and functions of the Commission for the Protection of the Assets of Persons with Disabilities; Royal Decree 1855/2009, of December 4, 2009, which determines the composition, operation and functions of the Commission for the Protection of the Assets of Persons with Disabilities; Royal Decree 177/2004, of January 30, which determines the composition, operation and functions of the Commission for the patrimonial protection of persons with disabilities; Royal Decree 1855/2009, of December 4, which regulates the National Council on Disability; and Royal Decree 774/2017, of July 28, which regulates the Commission for Civil Dialogue with the Third Sector Platform. Available at: <https://www.boe.es/buscar/doc.php?id=BOE-A-2021-8750>

⁸ Ministry of Social Rights, Consumption and Agenda 2030. Information on Disability. Civil dialogue with entities (ONCE and Spanish Red Cross). State Protectorate of the Spanish National Organization for the Blind (ONCE). Available at: [https://www.mdsocialesa2030.gob.es/derechos-sociales/discapacidad/informacion/index.htm?#modulo-7\)dis-dialogo](https://www.mdsocialesa2030.gob.es/derechos-sociales/discapacidad/informacion/index.htm?#modulo-7)dis-dialogo)

⁹ Royal Decree 358/1991, of March 15, 1991, reorganizing the Spanish National Organization for the Blind. Available at: <https://www.boe.es/buscar/act.php?id=BOE-A-1991-7271>

Other practices

General Directorate for the real and effective equality of LGTBI+ people

The General Directorate for the real and effective equality of LGTBI+ people whose objective is the protection of Sexual Diversity and the defence of the rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual, Transgender and intersex (LGTBi) people.¹⁰ The Ministry of Equality, through the General Directorate for the real and effective equality of LGTBI+ persons provide the telephone service of information, legal advice and immediate specialized psychosocial care against all forms of violence due to LGTBIphobia, addressed to all LGTBI persons or their relatives.¹¹ The LGTBI Public Service 028 *Arcoíris* is completely free of charge and is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.¹² The Council for the Participation of LGBTI+ Persons is under the General Directorate for the real and effective equality of LGTBI+ persons. The Council is governed by Order IGD/577/2020 creating the Council and by its amending order, Order IGD/506/2021.¹³ Its objective is to provide greater transparency and effectiveness to public policies aimed at guaranteeing equal treatment, non-discrimination and social inclusion of LGTBI people, it is also a space for meeting and participation between different state institutions, social partners and civil society.¹⁴ In this context, the Business Network for LGTBI Diversity and Inclusion (REDI) is an association that aims to promote the general interest, contributing to a more respectful Spanish society by promoting non-discrimination, equal opportunities and tolerance.¹⁵

Ministry of Equality. General Directorate for the real and effective equality of LGTBI+ people. Available at: <https://www.igualdad.gob.es/ministerio/dgltgtbi/>

¹¹ Ministry of Equality. General Directorate for the real and effective equality of LGTBI+ people. Available at: <https://www.igualdad.gob.es/ministerio/dgltgtbi/>

¹² Ibid.

¹³ Order IGD/506/2021, of May 20, amending Order IGD/577/2020, of June 24, creating the Council for the Participation of Lesbians, Gays, Trans, Bisexuals and lesbian, gay, trans, bisexual and intersex persons (LGTBI) and regulating its operation. Available at: <https://www.boe.es/buscar/doc.php?id=BOE-A-2021-8813>

¹⁴ Ibid.

¹⁵ Business Network for LGTBI Diversity and Inclusion. Available at: <https://www.redi-lgbti.org/>