The Counter-Trafficking Data Collaborative

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IOM assists an estimated 7,000 victims of trafficking every year, from 115 countries of identification, and is the largest actor globally in this regard.

- First and foremost a case management system; individual-level data
- Largest database of its kind in the world, containing data on over 50,000 cases
- Nearly 5,000 cases added every year
Victims: the Fallout of any Trafficking Process

Extremely valuable data on the phenomenon itself:

- Specific location data
- Industries/sectors of exploitation; types of exploitation
- Means of entry into trafficking process
- Means of exit from trafficking process
- Data on persons involved in trafficking process
- Means by which victims are controlled
- Data on the profile/background of the victim
- Assistance
- Etc.
# The Information Gap

## OBSTACLES TO DATA SHARING
- Data Privacy Concerns
- Incompatible Values and Variables
- Conflicting Definitions
- Incompatible Formatting
- Lack of Technical Resources and Solutions

## SOLUTIONS
- De-Identification Techniques
- Identify Overlap and Align Future Changes
- Data Norming
- Standardization
- Open data publishing portal
Data Sharing

+35,000 potential trafficking situations
15,000 victims recorded since 2015

50,000 cases
Victims from 132 nationalities
Served by IOM offices in 66 countries
Data Norming

POLARIS DATA
Based on “case records”
US legal definitions
Reported through crisis hotline
Big focus on reporting to law enforcement

Victim Records
20 Shared Variables
Aligned Values and Definitions

IOM DATA
Based on “victim records”
International definitions
Reported through client interviews
Big focus on info needed for migration services
Top 10 Victim Nationalities by Organization

**Polaris**
1. United States
2. Mexico
3. The Philippines
4. Guatemala
5. China
6. Honduras
7. El Salvador
8. India
9. Brazil
10. Dominican Republic

**IOM**
1. Ukraine
2. Moldova
3. Belarus
4. Indonesia
5. Romania
6. Kyrgyzstan
7. Myanmar
8. Uzbekistan
9. Cambodia
10. Bulgaria
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