



VSE ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2023

PROTECTING FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, A VICTIM'S PERSPECTIVE

PROGRAMME

DAY 1: Setting the Scene – Why democracy and fundamental freedoms matter for victims' rights?

Wednesday, 7 June 2023

09:00 – 10:00	Welcome Coffee & Registration
10:00 – 10:35	<p><u>Opening Addresses</u></p> <p><i>Chair: Rosa Jansen (President, Victim Support Europe)</i></p> <p>Welcoming words</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rosa Jansen President, Victim Support Europe <p>Live Testimony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Astrid Passin Spokeswoman for the survivors and victims of the attack on Breitscheidplatz on 19 December 2016 <p>Opening speeches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Sonnenschein Director of Directorate responsible for criminal and civil justice in DG Justice, European Commission • Katarzyna Janicka-Pawlowska Coordinator for Victims' Rights, European Commission
10:35 – 10:45	<u>Icebreaker Session</u>
10:45 – 11:40	<p><u>Plenary Session: Crime victimisation and public support for democracy</u></p> <p><i>Chair: Bianca Biwer (Federal Executive Director, WEISSER RING e. V.)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make Empathy Great Again. A plead to beat populism with its own weapons. Tom De Bruyne Founder, Behavioural Design Academy • The fourth pillar of democracy: How journalism can give victims a voice and how disinformation risks silencing them Lauren Walker General Reporter, The Brussels Times



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safeguarding freedom of religion in Europe Elie Kagan Head of Crisis Management, Security and Crisis Centre by European Jewish Congress (ECJ)
11:40 – 12:10	Coffee break
12:10 – 13:15	<p><u>Panel discussion: Fundamental freedoms and the future of Europe's victim support</u></p> <p><i>Moderator: Petra Klein (Vice-President, Victim Support Europe)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The role of religious organisations in victims' recovery and their role in prevention/protection Ahmad Mansour CEO, MIND Prevention• The role of youth in victim support Lena Weilbacher Youth coordinator Lower Saxony, WEISSER RING e. V.• Gender, culture, and terrorism: Why women are victimised and silenced Fatima Ali Haider Founder & Chairperson, The Grief Directory• Helping politicians, media professionals and journalists who have been the victims of reprisal Katharina Wall Programme Manager Engagement, Körber Foundation
13:15 – 13:30	<u>IMMERSONAL Icebreaker Session</u>
13:30 – 15:00	Lunch
15:00 – 17:00	Workshops
17:00 – 17:15	Master of Ceremony's summary



DAY 2: Nexus between fundamental rights protection, conflict prevention, and police work

Thursday, 8 June 2023

09:00 – 10:00	Welcome Coffee & Registration
10:00 – 10:15	<p><u>Opening Addresses</u></p> <p><i>Chair: Rosa Jansen (President, Victim Support Europe)</i></p> <p>Welcoming remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rosa Jansen President, Victim Support Europe <p>Opening speeches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yong Woo Lee President & Founder, Victim Support Asia • Hak Seok Kim Vice President, Victim Support Asia
10:15 – 11:15	<p><u>Plenary session: How victim-oriented is policing?</u></p> <p><i>Chair: Levent Altan (Executive Director, Victim Support Europe)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policing, ethics and fundamental rights Ben Bradford Professor of Global City Policing at the Department of Security and Crime Science, University College London • Community Trust building John Letteney President of Executive Board, International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) • Innovative Approaches to Planning and Preparing for Supporting Crime Victims Staci Beers Victim Services Coordinator, FBI Victim Services Division
11:15 – 11:30	<u>Icebreaker Session</u>
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee break
12:00 – 13:15	<p><u>Panel discussion: Putting victims at the heart of policing</u></p> <p><i>Moderator: Rosa Jansen (President, Victim Support Europe)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police training on diversity and protecting the vulnerable within the police and those who encounter the police Elena Sánchez Executive Board Co-chair, LGBTIpol • Equality, Inclusion and Respect in the Workplace Jochen Kopelke Senior Police Officer & Federal Chairman of the Police Union Germany



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Trust building John Letteney President of Executive Board, International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)• Putting victims at the heart of policing: OSCAD's experience Francesca Romana Capaldo Lieutenant Colonel, Italian National Police & Director of the Secretariat of the Observatory for Security against Acts of Discrimination (OSCAD)
13:15 – 13:30	<u>Icebreaker Session</u>
13:30 – 15:00	Lunch
15:00 – 17:00	Workshops
17:00 – 17:15	Master of Ceremony's summary



DAY 3: Supporting victims from conflict-affected areas

Friday, 9 June 2023

09:00 – 10:00	Welcome Coffee & Registration
10:00 – 10:15	<u>Opening Addresses</u> Welcoming remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Levent Altan Executive Director, Victim Support Europe• Hilde Vandevoorde National Member for Belgium and Chair of the Counter-Terrorism Team, Eurojust
10:15 – 10:30	<u>Icebreaker Session</u>
10:30 – 11:30	<u>Panel discussion: Supporting victims from conflict-affected areas (victim support perspective)</u> <i>Moderator: Andrea Walraven-Thissen (Critical Incident Manager)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supporting victims of hate crime from conflict-affected areas Anna – Lena von Hodenberg Founding manager, NGO HateAid• Practical support to LGBTQ+ Ukrainians and Russians seeking asylum abroad Svetlana Shaytanova Spokeswomen, Quarteera e.V.• Sharing knowledge – Shared Trauma: scaling knowledge from Israel to Ukraine Hila Shvoron Deputy CEO, NATAL• Representing victims of international border crimes Patrick Kroker Senior Legal Advisor, European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights e.V.
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee break
12:00 – 13:00	<u>Panel discussion: Supporting victims from conflict-affected areas (policy perspective)</u> <i>Moderator: Levent Altan</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Migrants as victims of trafficking in human beings: the need to step up protection Tetiana Rudenko Senior Co-ordinator Adviser, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)• Eurojust's work in supporting victims of trafficking in human beings Hilde Vandevoorde National Member for Belgium and Chair of the Counter-Terrorism Team, Eurojust



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strategic coordination of psychosocial support in conflict-affected areas Ea Suzanne Akasha Technical Advisor, Psychosocial Centre (International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies)
13:00 – 13:15	Closing of conference <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosa Jansen President, Victim Support Europe
13:15	Lunch box