Target 16.2
Trend in trafficking in Persons

Research and Trend Analysis Branch
More victims detected and more convictions

Trends in the total number of detected trafficking victims, average number of detected victims per country and number of reporting countries, by year, 2003-2016
This may be the result of increasing response…

Number victims detected and national responses in selected countries

- Nepal, new TIP legislation, 2007
- Regulation for TIP legislation, 2008

- Paraguay, new TIP legislation, July 2009
- Paraguay, amendment to TIP law, August 2012

- Denmark, National Action Plan 2007-2010
- Danish Centre against Human Trafficking (CMM) 2007

- United Arab Emirates, introduction of the TIP legislation, 2006
- Kuwait, introduction of the TIP legislation, 2013
....or increasing severity due to an enduring impunity in some regions

Subregions by average number of trafficking convictions and number of victims detected per 100,000 population, 2014-2017
The areas where response is weak are also main origins of TiP to the rest of the world – Impunity is an incentive for traffickers
Beyond the “detected” trafficking

- UNODC has tested the Multiple System Estimate (MSE) in 5 countries in Europe (2 NL, IRL, SRB, ROU).

- Results:
  - Each 1 victim detected, 5-8 are undetected.
  - TiP for Forced labour is under detected than Sex exploitation.
  - Trafficking of minors is under detected (compared to adult trafficking).
  - Domestic trafficking is under detected (compared to foreign trafficking).

- UNODC will carry additional 6 MSEs – 3 in Europe and 3 outside Europe

- Policy: following the MSE, the Dutch authorities are investing more resources on detecting underage Dutch victims.