UNVTF Board Member Bios

MARIANA RUENES
Founder and President, SINTRATA
Ms. Ruenes (Mexico) is the Founder and Director of a Mexican NGO, SINTRATA, that collaborates with data scientists and multidisciplinary experts to investigate how trafficking networks operate within difference sectors and contexts. She works with public and private players to inhibit traffickers’ movements, generate data and research to inform decision-making, and train front-line actors for effective response and prevention.

ABDULLAH AL-NAMEH
Adviser to President, Qatar Charity
Mr. Al-Nameh (Qatar) was the former Executive Director of the Qatar Charity and currently serves as Adviser to the President (of Qatar Charity). He previously served on the board of the National Human Rights Committee & National Committee to Combat Human Trafficking.

MARIJANA SAVIC
Founder and Director, NGO ATINA
Ms. Savic (Serbia) has extensive anti-trafficking and fundraising experience. Her leadership has been instrumental in positioning ATINA as a formidable anti-human trafficking CSO, catering to victims of human trafficking in the region. While her background is in policy analysis and advocacy of legislative changes in the field of human rights, Ms Savic is an activist at heart, and serves on the boards of several international charities.
Ms. Sorvino (USA) is an Academy Award Winning Actor, Activist, and UNODC Goodwill Ambassador since 2009. She has a long-standing history with the UNODC and the UNVTF. She considers herself a human trafficking victims’ advocate and has campaigned on the issue passionately at various levels on several platforms throughout her career. She has leveraged her extensive network and goodwill to fundraise for victims of trafficking (including for the UNVTF) in the past.

A survivor of human trafficking, Ms. Nyanjura’s (Uganda) lived experience has helped her transform into a highly influential victims’ advocate. Through her role as an activist and founder of the Global Survivor Network and Women in Action for Women, she has focused on improving lives of young people and women through vocational training, business education and guidance in accessing community and government services. She has featured on various platforms and media, including the Rising Global Peace Forum, BBC, Fox News and is the recipient of the prestigious Navarra International Solidarity Award (Spain).