



Australian Government

# Actionable solutions to organized fraud and human trafficking in South East Asia from a broad transnational crime perspective

**18 October 2024**  
**14.00–14.50 CET**

**Venue: Vienna**  
**International Centre,**  
**M2**

The challenges posed by online scam centres in South East Asia highlight the complex links between different crime types and actors, and the need for cross-cutting responses. These scam centres generate millions of cyber-scam victims worldwide and are connected to money laundering, human trafficking for forced criminality, cyber-enabled fraud and organized crime syndicates. They are also linked to other illicit activities, including drug, arms and wildlife trafficking.

This situational update draws on latest research and upcoming reports from the Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime (GI-TOC) and the Freedom Collective developed in partnership with the Regional Support Office of the Bali Process and Australia-ASEAN Counter Trafficking. It will shed light into the criminal ecosystem surrounding scam centres and explore the factors that enable them to become major hubs for illegal activity. The recommendations, shaped by insights from civil society organizations, will offer practical pathways for stakeholders to help dismantle these centres.

## Speakers

- H.E Ambassador Ian Biggs, Australian Permanent Representative to United Nations, Vienna
- Kristina Amerhauser, Senior analyst, GI-TOC
- Julia Macher, CEO, Freedom Collaborative
- Detective Inspector Darryl Parrish, Eastern Command, Australian Federal Police
- Adi Winarso, Assistant Deputy for Coordination of Multilateral Cooperation, Coordinating Ministry for Political, Legal and Security Affairs, Republic of Indonesia
- Moderator: Ilias Chatzis, Chief of the Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section, UN Office on Drugs and Crime

## Co-organizers



 UK Government

**FREEDOM**  
**COLLABORATIVE**  
BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS FOR RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

 **GLOBAL**  
**INITIATIVE**  
AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL  
ORGANIZED CRIME