



Religious in Europe Networking
Against Trafficking and Exploitation

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RENAME network awareness-raising in Norway and Denmark.

Imelda Poole, IBVM, President of RENAME, and Adina Balan, CJ, RENAME Board member, travelled to Norway and Denmark from the 3rd of May to the 8th of May, 2016, to meet with Religious, Christian led NGOs, lay and Catholic organisations with a view to heightening awareness about the RENAME Network and explore possibilities for mutual collaboration in the fight against Human Trafficking.



Although there are not many active religious in Norway, Imelda's contacts opened many doors, which led to an immensely interesting and enriching experience for all concerned.

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Gradual progress towards improving international work practices.

The anniversary of the tragic loss of lives as a result of the Rana Plaza collapse in Bangladesh on the 24th of April, 2013, reminds us of the need to be vigilant about the exploitation of workers, vulnerable to health and safety violations.

A review of progress in legislating for best practices in Europe and further afield, indicates that small but tangential measures are being taken which will improve the work practices and conditions for the most vulnerable in society.

Regrettably, safe workplace practices and conditions are not honoured worldwide, but through the combined efforts of the European Union and the International Labour Organisation (ILO), there is cause for hope.

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Prayerful ministry at work in Prague.



In a recent interview with Mr. Lukáš Seidl, Journalist with *TÝDEN* cz, **Sister Klara Marie Stráníková**, of the Congregation of Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross and RENAME member, talks about her experiences in working with women in prostitution in Prague, Czech Republic.

Prayer is an important part of Sister's ministry, which creates a very special atmosphere for people to gather closer together in common understandings, according to Klara Marie. Aware of the harsh realities of life for the women on the streets, Klara Marie states that "A night on the street will change your life." More at www.renate-europe.net

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