

The Permanent Missions of Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Slovenia, Austria & UNODC  
cordially invite you to a Special Interactive Event on

## ***Countering Human Trafficking:***

*Achieving Universal Ratification of the Protocol to Prevent,  
Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, especially  
Women and Children (“The Palermo Protocol”)*

**Thursday, 27 October 2016**

11:15 am - 1:00 pm, Conference Room 9

*Featuring among others:*

- H.E. Ambassador **Christian Wenaweser**, Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein to the UN
- Mr. **Yury Fedotov**, Executive-Director of UNODC
- Mr. **Adama Dieng**, Under Secretary-General and Special Advisor on the Prevention of Genocide
- Ms. **Ruchira Gupta**, Founder, Apne Aap Women Worldwide
- *Moderated by:* Ms. **Simone Monasebian**, Director, UNODC NY Office

*Followed by interventions from the floor*

*The UN Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, contains the first internationally agreed definition of the crime of trafficking in persons and provides a framework to effectively prevent and combat all forms of trafficking in persons including “the exploitation of the prostitution of others or other forms of sexual exploitation, forced labour or services, slavery or practices similar to slavery, servitude or the removal of organs” Article 3(a).*

*As we move closer to the October 2017 Appraisal of the GA Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons, this special event comes in the wake of the international community’s efforts to implement three Sustainable Development Goals on trafficking in persons (16.2, 8.7 and 5.2); and as the international community has reaffirmed the importance of the Palermo Protocol in the GA’s September 2016 New York Declaration on Refugees and Migrants, and the Security Council’s Presidential Statement 2025 of December 2015.*

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