**Questionnaire for NGOs and other stakeholders on access to justice and remedy**

This questionnaire is addressed to stakeholders such as international and regional organisations, national human rights institutions, UN agencies, funds and programmes, non-governmental organisations, trade unions, research institutions, businesses, community initiatives, private individuals, foundations and academia.

The below questionnaire is meant to assist the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences, Urmila Bhoola, with elaborating a comprehensive report on access to justice and remedy for victims of contemporary slavery that will be presented to the Human Rights Council in September 2017.

The responses to the below questionnaire should be submitted to the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences in English, French or Spanish at srslavery@ohchr.org

The deadline for submissions is 10 March 2017.

If not stated otherwise in your submission, the responses received will be published on the website of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences.

**Question 1**

Please provide information on your organisation and its work on access to justice and remedy[[1]](#footnote-1) for victims of contemporary forms of slavery, including the countries in which you work on this issue.

**Question 2**

A. Please characterise the legal and/or policy frameworks relevant to access to justice and remedy in place in the country or countries that your organisation works in, as well as any global trends you would like to highlight. Please include information about provisions criminalising contemporary forms of slavery, those guaranteeing access to justice and remedy and measures to identify and support victims of contemporary forms of slavery.

B. Please include specific references to the source of law when possible.

**Question 3**

Please detail relevant jurisprudence, including any landmark cases, which demonstrate effective access to justice for victims of contemporary forms of slavery, and provide copies of any judgments if possible.

**Question 4**

Please describe specific support that is in place for victims of contemporary forms of slavery who seek obtain access to justice and fulfil their right to an effective remedy, including but not limited to, shelters, other forms of housing, legal aid, visa support, witness and victim protection measures, livelihood or financial support and counselling in the country or countries that your organisation works. Please also include information about global trends in the provision of such support that you would like to highlight.

**Question 5**

Please describe national and/or global measures that you are aware of that allow victims of contemporary forms of slavery to pursue access to justice and remedy for violations of their human rights taking place in national or international supply chains.

**Question 6**

A. Please describe the main challenges and barriers identified in the country or countries in which your organisation works to ensuring that victims of contemporary forms of slavery have access to justice? Please also specify any global trends that you are aware of.

B. Please elaborate on any specific challenges faced by vulnerable groups, for example women, children, those living in poverty and/or in rural areas, minority groups, indigenous people, women, children, people determined as being of low caste, and migrant workers, in obtaining access to justice and fulfilling their right to remedy.

**Question 7**

A. Please detail any examples of good practice in relation to access to justice and remedy for victims of contemporary forms of slavery.

B. Please describe any examples of good practice or possible legal and policy measures that you think in your view are effective at overcoming the challenges and barriers referenced above in question 6.

**Question 8**

Please describe any projects delivered by your organisation or other civil society organisations to ensure access to justice and remedy for victims of contemporary forms of slavery.

**Question 9**

In your view what are the necessary components of a comprehensive human-rights based approach to ensure that victims of contemporary forms of slavery can have access to justice and fulfil their right to an effective remedy?

**Question 10**

Please provide any research, data or other information that your organisation has produced or is aware of relating to access to justice and remedy for victims of contemporary forms of slavery.

*Thank you for your cooperation. Please feel free to include any additional pertinent information on access to justice and remedy that you think would help the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences.*

1. For victims of gross violations of international human rights law, such as slavery and slavery-like practices, full and effective remedy may take the following forms: restitution, compensation, rehabilitation, satisfaction and guarantees of non-repetition [↑](#footnote-ref-1)