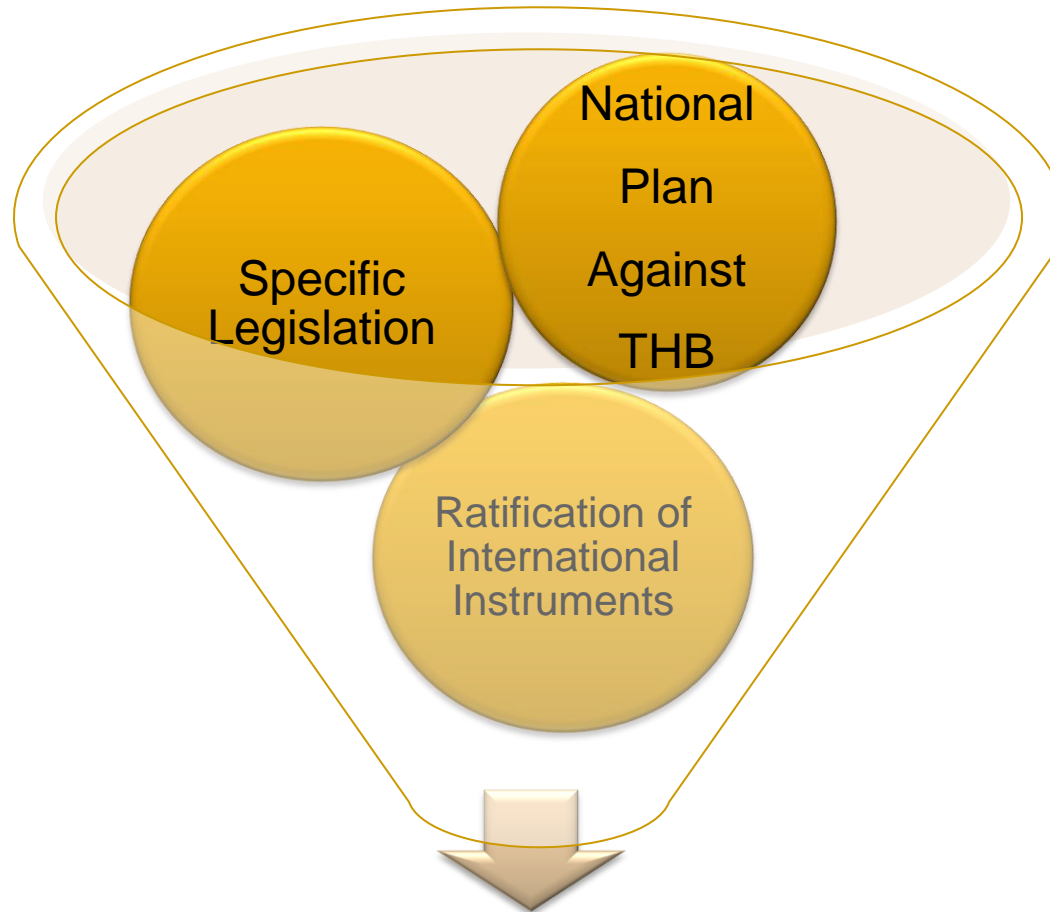

PORTUGUESE MODEL OF SUPPORT TO THB VICTIMS



**CONTRA O TRÁFICO
DE SERES HUMANOS
AGAINST TRAFFICKING
IN HUMAN BEINGS**

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Observatory on THB
Facilitator for the flagging of situations
More knowledge, Coordinated Strategy and Suitable Legislation →
More efficient and direct intervention.

3rd National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings - Portugal

The Plan is built as a fundamental instrument to **share responsibilities** between the **governmental institutions** and **civil society**.

Its approach is **holistic** by joining and accommodating different strategies/dimensions into a coordinated and effective way.



3rd National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings - 5 Strategic Areas of Intervention



3rd National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings – 1st Strategic Area

This strategic area comprises 19 measures, which are based on the strengthening of the prevention and awareness raising components, as well as on the promotion of knowledge and research.

■ **The strategic goals of this area are:**

- Raising awareness on the problem of THB, gearing that intervention both towards the population in general, and the specific and more vulnerable groups;
 - Improving the levels of awareness and knowledge about THB;
 - Investing in greater specialization in the academic field, deepening knowledge about the different forms of trafficking.
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3rd National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings – 2 Strategic Area

This strategic area comprises 13 measures.

■ **The strategic goals of this area are:**

- Developing educational actions for children, adolescents and young adults;
 - Qualification and capacity building of professionals intervening in preventing and combating trafficking in human beings.
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3rd National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings – 3 Strategic Area

This strategic area comprises 10 measures.

■ **The strategic goals of this area are:**

- Strengthening the measures to protect and intervene with victims;
 - Promoting greater capacity building of victims;
 - Improving the integration mechanisms aiming to prevent eventual situations of revictimization.
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3rd National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings – 4 Strategic Area

This strategic area comprises 5 measures.

- **The strategic goal of this area is:**
 - Developing mechanisms to promote a better coordination between the different criminal police departments, at the national and international level.
 - This investment will enable more effective action to dismantle trafficking networks.
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3rd National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings – 5 Strategic Area

This strategic area comprises 6 measures and aims to implement a more coordinated intervention model, enhancing a more adequate and effective intervention.

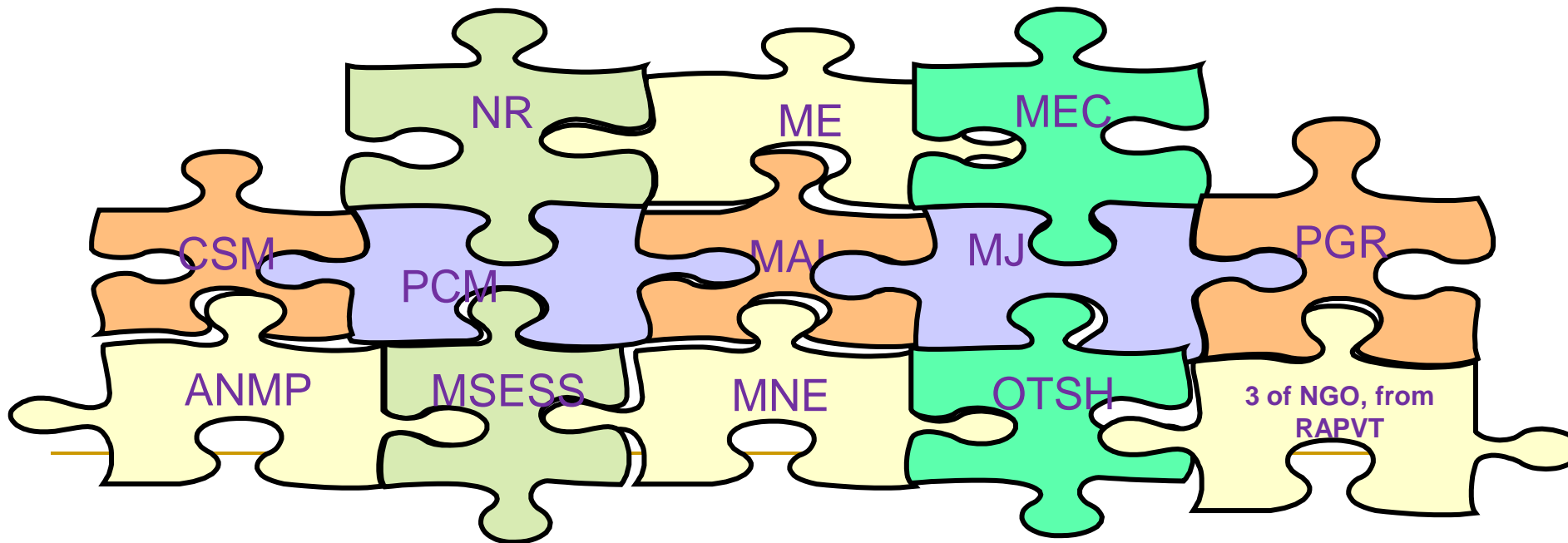
□ **The strategic goal of this area is:**

- Strengthening forms of cooperation between the different national and international bodies in combating THB.

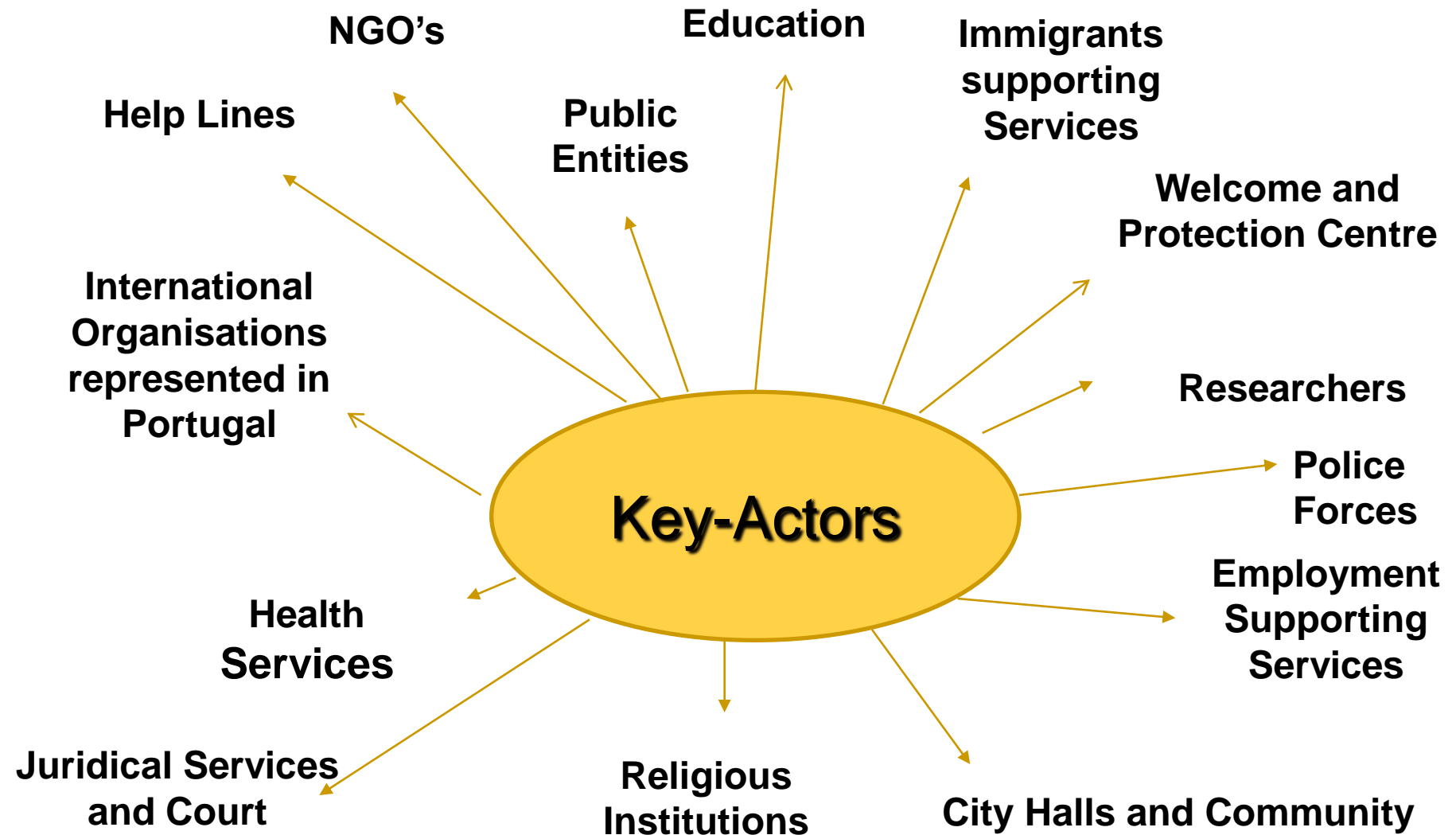
3. NPPCTHB Coordinator/Rapporteur

Working Group that supports the Plan Coordination:

- A Working Group has been set up to support the coordination of the 3rd NPPCTHB. Its members are State institutions with responsibility on the subject.



Levels of intervention...



The Support and Protection Network for Victims of Trafficking (RAPVT)

- The main goal is the creation of a network of cooperation and information sharing aimed at the prevention, protection and reintegration of VoT.
 - The RAPVT was created by an Agreement involving governmental and non-governmental organizations, and works as one of the pieces of National Referral Mechanism.
 - The national system of protection and assistance to victims has a human rights approach and the intervention is based on cooperation among the various actors. Taking into account their particular vulnerability, victims of trafficking can benefit from the legal witness protection regime.
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Multidisciplinary Teams

There are 5 regional Multidisciplinary teams, North, Center, Lisbon, Alentejo, and Algarve and two National teams, attached to the 2 Shelter's, the 1st for Women and the 1st for Men.



Sham Mariages/Mariages of Convenience – Some statistical data

- Justice Statistics

In 2015 there were 75 crimes of sham marriages registered by law enforcement agencies.

Looking at a longitudinal analysis and although with an irregular distribution it is seen that there has been an increase of this crime since 2014.

Type of Crime	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Marriage of Convenience	24	77	42	61	75

Observing the distribution between 2011 -2015 (variable: age group) the majority of offenders are older than 24 years old.

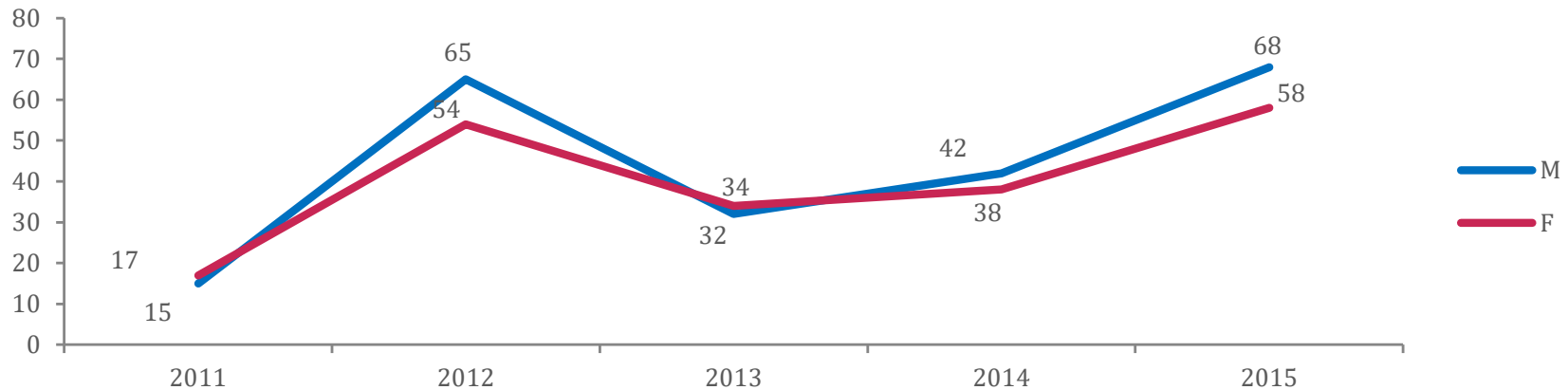
Crime	Year →	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	Age Group ↓					
		2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Marriage of Convenience	< 16 years old
	16 a 24 years old	...	3	4	9	9
	> 24 years old	19	104	57	69	111
	Total	20	107	61	79	120

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Sham Mariages/Mariages of Convenience – Some statistical data

For the same period and as far as sex the majority of offenders are male although the distance with female offenders is not significantly.

Crime	Year→	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	Sex ↓					
Marriage of Convenience	M	15	65	32	42	68
	F	17	54	34	38	58
	Total	32	119	66	80	126



Mariages of Convenience and Forced Marriage: Future analysis

1) **Marriage of Convenience**: in regards to its connection to THB crime (as stated by EUROPOL);

2) **Forced Marriage**: in what concerns its recent criminalization in Portugal (article 154.º B/C and 155 .º of Law 83/2015 – ***Istanbul Convention***), and in alignment with the 2011/36 EU Directive and article 160.º of the Penal Code – broader concept of exploitation.

The most important objectives of a National Strategy should include:

- strengthening the role of the National Agency against Trafficking in Persons as an equivalent mechanism for coordination of anti-trafficking activities;
 - adopting a National Referral Mechanism by a joint order of relevant ministries and national agencies and civil society;
 - developing National Standards for Specialized Assistance Services to improve the quality of assistance provided to victims;
 - developing and bringing into full operation the National Database on Victims of Trafficking;
 - an anti-trafficking toll free help-line;
 - implementing collaboration protocols at central and regional level with public and private institutions active in the field, as well as setting up regional inter-institutional teams .
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