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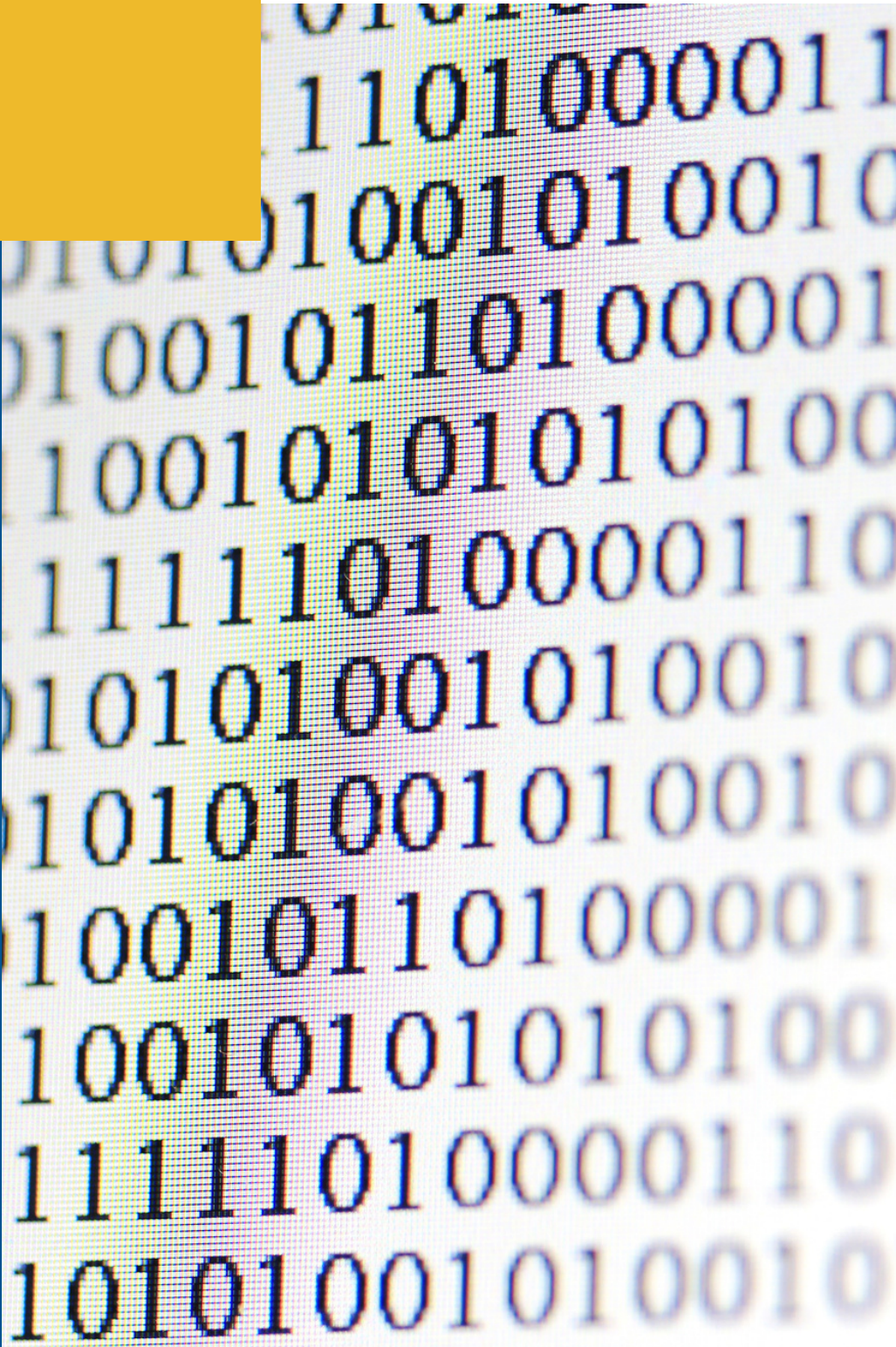Countering Trafficking in Human Beings
through Big Data and OSINT Analysis

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In this newsletter:

FACTSHEET NO 1: FAST CAPTURE OSINT

What is FAST CAPTURE OSINT?

The initial factsheet provides a succinct guide for effectively utilizing the FAST CAPTURE OSINT feature, a critical component of the project. By leveraging CIT FAST Capture, users can seamlessly explore diverse web platforms, scour open sources, capture images and text, as well as recognize and establish connections between entities present on the web.

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Find out how to use FAST CAPTURE OSINT **here**!

FACTSHEET NO 2: COUNTERING TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS: THE IMPORTANCE OF PERCEPTION CHANGE AND AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

Perceptions can also play a huge role, since idealised images of what a trafficking victim and perpetrator look like, can often hinder early identification and prosecution. This fact sheet highlights some of the latest trends in THB in order to sensitize readers to this ever, evolving heinous crime. It will further provide concrete recommendations to help counteract THB including the need for co-created awareness campaigns with survivors, LEAs and other frontline practitioners, in order to reflect the true reality of this multifaceted crime.

Women are also perpetrators in human trafficking

E-trafficking is on the rise

Nationality is also an issue

EU Citizens are also trafficked

Victims are trafficked for multiple reasons

Asylum seekers are often victims

Countering trafficking – the importance of co-created awareness campaigns

FACTSHEET NO 3: "MONEY LAUNDERING 3.0" HOW TO APPLY THE "FOLLOW THE MONEY" RULE IN THE CYBERSPACE

When we refer to "Money Laundering", we are describing the process by which criminals "clean" the proceeds of their activities to conceal their illegal origin.

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) estimates that **between EUR 715 billion and 1.87 trillion** is laundered each year (between 2 and 5% of global GDP).

FOLLOW THE MONEY

The Falcone Method was universally recognized as an innovative and revolutionary investigative technique

1 Observe and analyse the phenomenon

2 Identify, track and dismantle the economic relations between the criminal organizations

3 Make use of the collaboration of the "pentiti" as a key tool to understand the mafia dynamics.

The role of **cryptocurrencies**

Cryptocurrencies could prove highly valuable in combating organized crime to the extent that they are described as 'fundamental' for fighting organized crime.

Companies such as Chainalysis, TRM Labs, and Elliptic have developed software designed to **track** and **analyze** the cryptocurrency ecosystem. Upon identifying illicit funds, the next step is to determine the feasibility of proceeding with the seizure. This multifaceted process involves not only understanding the nature of the digital assets but also employing advanced tools and technologies developed by specialized companies in the field.

The **seizure** of virtual currency involves transferring it to a specially ordered wallet controlled by judicial authorities. Operational solutions include moving assets to a judicially controlled wallet or converting them into fiat currency, though the latter faces challenges due to virtual currency volatility.

Importantly, seizures directly impact cryptocurrency codes (private keys), demanding clear operational instructions.

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