

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION: FROM NIGERIAN  
ORGANIZED CRIME TO THE INVESTIGATION BOGA 1**

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**ABSTRACT**

The objective of the research is on the one hand to define the phenomenon of trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation, in particular the trafficking of Nigerian women, and on the other hand to analyze the modus operandi of transnational criminal organizations then the instruments put in place by the national and supranational legislator to counter the phenomenon. The analysis aims to underline, through the description of the methods of recruiting and subjugating victims, the method used by transnational organizations to recruit new women, to be introduced into prostitution, and to assure their entry into the Italian territory. The purpose is also to describe the vulnerable condition of the victims, forced into psychological and physical violence both within the Nigerian and the Italian territory, precisely to maintain the perennial state of subjection in which they are forced to live. Lastly, from the procedural point of view, the analysis of the criminal judicial sentence issued by the Court of Palermo was useful to identify the dynamics that characterize the relationship between the perpetrator of the crime and the victim, both within the Italian territory and Nigerian.