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As an independent expert in the fight against human trafficking, Ms Winkler has over 20 years of experience in the field of victim protection and support. From 1998 to 2013 she worked for the NGO FIZ (Advocacy and Support for migrant women and victims of trafficking) in Zurich. In 2019 she returned to FIZ as head of expertise and advocacy and is a member of the board of FIZ. She played a key role in setting up national referral mechanisms in different cantons of Switzerland and was jointly responsible for setting up the first Swiss protection programme for victims of trafficking and the first shelter for victims of trafficking.

As a member of regional and national expert groups on topics such as human trafficking, migration and prostitution Ms Winkler has focused on multilateral and interdisciplinary co-operation. She acts as a training instructor for police officers, public prosecutors, border guards and social workers. She was also Co-President of the Swiss "Euro 08 Campaign against Trafficking in Women" from 2007 to 2009. She has also participated in various international projects, such as the UNODC project "Enhancing multi-stakeholder co-operation to fight human trafficking in origin of origin and destination countries", in which Nigeria and six European countries were involved.

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