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| **Victim Support Finland** |
| **On Friday 13.2.15, a national press release highlights the importance of implementing the EU Directive on victims’ rights and focuses on 2014 statistics of Victim Support Finland will show that the need for long-term assistance for victims of crime has increased. Regional press releases will also be made.**  **Five different events will take place across Finland presenting the work of Victim Support Finland. 3 of them in Lappland, one in Western Finland and one in Eastern Finland:** [**http://www.riku.fi/sitenews/view/-/ngid/1/nid/232/**](http://www.riku.fi/sitenews/view/-/ngid/1/nid/232/) **(only in Finnish)**  **For further information please contact Leena-Kaisa Åberg, Executive Director of Victim Support Finland or Jaana Koivukangas, Development Director of Victim Support Finland** |
| **Victim Support Sweden** |
| **In cooperation with other non-profit organizations in the field and The Swedish Crime Victim Compensation and Support Authority, Victim Support Swede will hold a conference on young people's exposure to violence. The conference will be held in Stockholm on Friday 20 February.**  **Nationwide more than 90 local Victim Support Centres are organising local events such as concerts and lectures.**  **Information in Swedish:** [**http://www.brottsofferjouren.se/nyheter/internationella-brottsofferdagen-2015/**](http://www.brottsofferjouren.se/nyheter/internationella-brottsofferdagen-2015/) |
| **VWSS Croatia** |
| **On February 20 the VWSS, in cooperation with the Croatian Ministry of Justice, will host a round-table discussion on the implementation of EU Victims Directive into Croatian law and practice.**  **On February 21 and 22 from 10 AM to 13 PM, VWSS volunteers will distribute information brochures at the city square to inform citizens of Zagreb on the need to improve the legal, psychological and economic status of victims and witnesses in society and on the existence and services of the VWSS’s victim support helpline by.**  **For further information please email** [**pzs@pzs.hr**](mailto:pzs@pzs.hr) **or check out VWSS’s facebook page: “Udruga za podršku žrtvama i svjedocima”** |
| **Slachtofferhulp Nederland (Victim Support Netherlands)** |
| **Slachtofferhulp Nederland will hold a conference on Friday, February 20 in The Hague on *Young people: victimisation, rights and support*. Speakers from The Netherlands and Belgium will focus on victims who are 12 to 18 years of age. Victims who often don't want to be called victim. Who often are not inclined to look for support, but who definitely could benefit from the right support. Four young victims will inform the audience on the crime they fell victim too and the consequences this had for them.**  **For further information please see:** [**www.slachtofferhulp.nl/Over-Ons/Positieversterking-slachtoffers/Dag-van-het-Slachtoffer-2015/**](http://www.slachtofferhulp.nl/Over-Ons/Positieversterking-slachtoffers/Dag-van-het-Slachtoffer-2015/) |