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Recent Developments in Egypt's Child on line Safety Agenda

Council of Europe Conference 2010

In search for an Integrated e- Safety Strategy; Engaging key sectors and actors
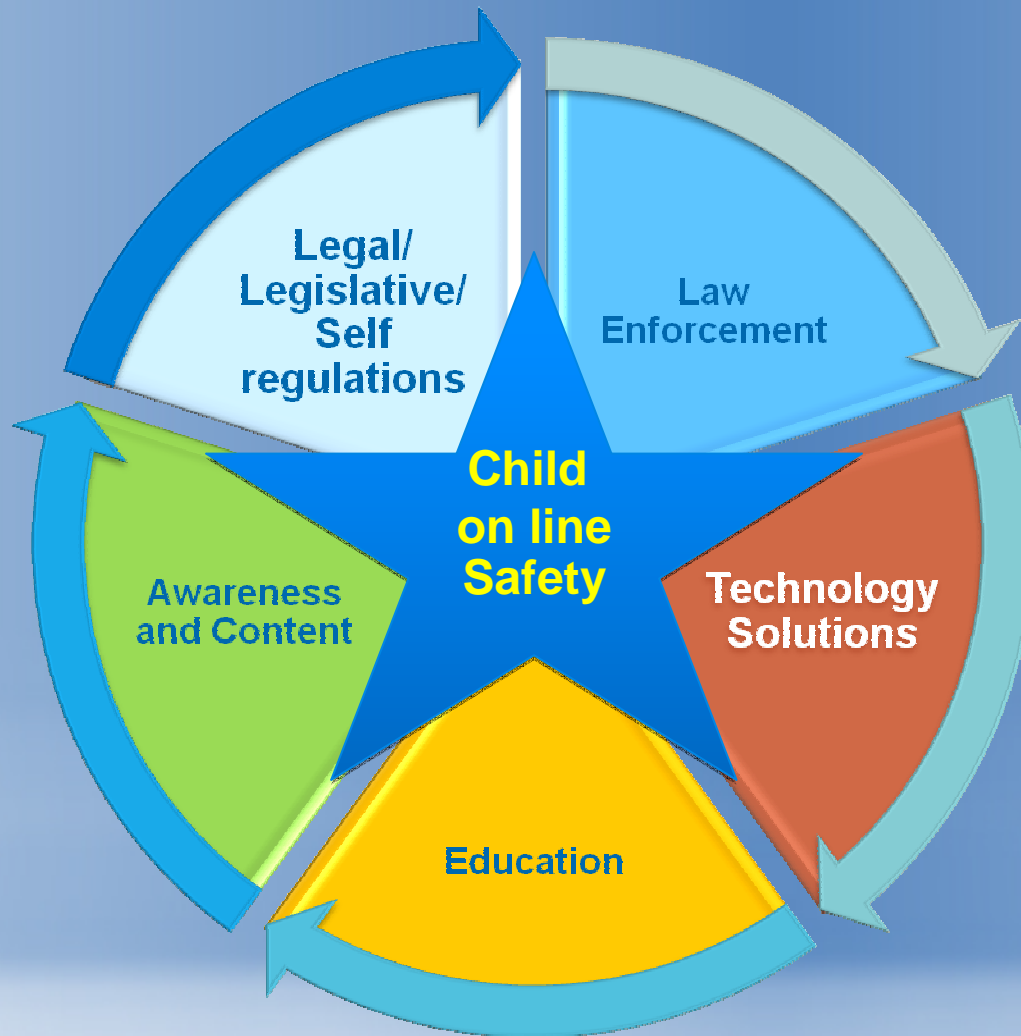
Forming and Activating The National e-Safety Working Group

- Differentiating between online crimes and risks/ dangers in what concerns children.

- Linking the messages of empowerment and safety.

- The group includes representatives from key stakeholders: Ministries of Justice, Interior, Education, Higher Education, media, Ministry of State for Family and Population, The National Telecommunication Regulatory Authority, Egypt's ICT trust fund, youth representatives, parents' representatives, and ISPs.

- Identifying national needs and monitoring progress in implementation.

- Defining roles and responsibilities of each stakeholder to ensure synergies.

- Formulating plans in light of the agreed upon agenda.

Technology Oriented Efforts

- Coordination with Egypt's major ISPs to avail family filters (e.g. TEData Family Internet) and availing the filters free of charge.

- Exploring the suitable technology solutions in dealing with illegal content (child pornography) and encouraging ISPs to adopt self regulatory measures in coordination with International entities active in the field, such as the Internet Watch Foundation.

- To achieve this objective, Egypt has commissioned international expertise to work with Egyptian experts, study and recommend the most suitable mechanism of work in light of national conditions.

- Exploring the possibility of using the Child Exploitation tracking system (CETS) in Egypt, in cooperation with the Ministry of Justice and Ministry of Interior

Capacity Building Efforts

- Training for attorneys and Judges, December 2009 conducted by the Council of Europe in cooperation with Microsoft.

- Hosting the workshop on fighting cyber crime and child on line exploitation organized by TAIEX on the 30 and 31st of March 2010.

- The workshop will discuss Internet fundamentals and data networking, New trends in organised crime – the challenge of cybercrime, the implementation of the Council of Europe Convention on Cybercrime (2001) and other EU legislative instruments, child pornography on the internet and cooperation with internet service providers, and child online pornography legislations in Egypt and the Arab region.

- The workshop will have attendees from Egypt, and a number of other Arab Med. countries.

- Legal awareness among youth, parents and educators.

Educational Efforts

- Forming the **Educators' Internet Safety Focus Group** as the nucleus of awareness and knowledge within the Ministry of Education.

- Formulating e- safety curriculum and educators' TOT in light of other countries' experiences and national needs.

- Availing filters, safety tools and formulating "agreed upon policies- AUP" for schools.

- Keeping teachers and educators up to date with respect of safety concerns in addition to standard skills and social networking developments (web 2.0 tools)

Fighting Child on Line Exploitation at the IGF 2009

- A special honorary session on youth empowerment and safety

- Workshops: The Global Path for ensuring Online Child Protection and Safety: Effective strategies and Specific Actions.

- Open Forum: ITU Child Online Protection.

- 2CENTRE, the Cybercrime Centers of Excellence for Training, Research & Education.

- The Child Online Safety Indicators: Measuring the Un-measurable?

- Being Literate To Foster Participatory Cultures.

- Youth and Internet Governance: the way forward.

- Peace and Security in the Cyberspace.

Thank you