



# Combating violence against children: from isolated actions to integrated strategies

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# Programme

Tuesday, 24 May 2011

08h00	Registration
09h00	<p><b>Official opening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Andriy KLYUYEV</b>, First Vice-Prime Minister of Ukraine, Minister of Economic, Development and Trade</li> <li>• <b>Mr Kostyantyn GRYSCHENKO</b>, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, Chairman of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe</li> <li>• <b>Ms Maud de BOER-BUQUICCHIO</b>, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe</li> <li>• <b>Mr Ivan POPESCU</b>, Vice-President, Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly</li> <li>• <b>Ms Marta SANTOS PAIS</b>, United Nations Secretary general's Special representative on Violence against Children</li> <li>• <b>Mr Mykola TOMENKO</b>, Deputy Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine</li> <li>• <b>Mr José Manuel PINTO TEIXEIRA</b>, Ambassador, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to Ukraine</li> <li>• <b>Mr Steven ALLEN</b>, Regional Director, UNICEF Regional Office for CEE/CIS</li> <li>• <b>Ms Nina KARPACHOVA</b>, Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights</li> </ul>
10h30	Coffee break
10h40	Press conference (Press Centre)
Session I	<p><b>Implementation of integrated national strategies on violence against children: success stories and pitfalls</b></p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> <b>Ms Irma ERTMAN</b>, Ambassador of Finland to the Council of Europe, Thematic Co-ordinator on Children of the Council of Europe's Committee of Ministers</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lessons learnt from the Implementation of the National Programme for the Prevention of Violence against Children and Assistance to Children for 2008-2010 - <b>Ms Asta ŠIDLAUSKIENĖ</b>, Ministry of Social Security and Labour, Finance Social Assistance, Children and Youth Department, Division of Children and Youth, Lithuania</li> </ul>
11h15	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legislative framework to prevent and combat violence against children - <b>Ms Gianina DIMITRESCU</b>, Directorate General for the Protection of the Child, Ministry of Labour, Family and Social Protection of Romania</li> <li>Human rights begin with children's rights - <b>Mr Marek MICHALAK</b>, Ombudsman for Children, Poland</li> <li>Implementing the National Strategy and Action Plan on Violence against Children in Serbia - <b>Ms Veronika ISPANOVIC</b>, Professor, Faculty of Special Education, University of Belgrade, Member of the Serbian National Council of the Rights of the Child, Serbia</li> <li>Developing integrated responses to violence against children through a reform of child protection systems: progress and lessons learnt in CEE/CIS - <b>Ms Anna NORDENMARK SEVERINSSON</b>, Programme Specialist, UNICEF Regional Office for CEE/CIS</li> </ul> <p><i>Commentator: Ms Frederike TAMAS-HERMELIN</i>, Deputy to the Permanent Representative of Sweden to the Council of Europe</p> <p>Discussion</p>
13h00	Lunch
<p><b>Session II</b></p> <p>14h30</p>	<p><b>Preventing violence through developing support services and improving national child care standards and policies</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Ms Tamara PLAMADEALA</i>, Ombudsperson for children, the Centre for Human Rights of Moldova</p> <p><i>Panel of experts:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National standards in the child protection system: family type placement for orphaned children and children deprived of parental care - <b>Ms Aksana FILIPISHYNA</b>, Deputy Director of the State Department for Adoption and Protection of the Rights of the Child, Ministry for Family, Youth and Sports, Ukraine</li> <li>System based audit for services and facilities hosting children - <b>Mr Eric BACKER-RØED</b>, Senior Adviser, County Governor of Hordaland, Norway</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Addressing violence against children in Ukraine - <b>Ms Tetyana KULYKOVSKA</b>, Project co-ordinator, joint Council of Europe/ European Union project "Strengthening and protecting women's and children's rights in Ukraine"</li> <li>Partnership with young people in preventing violence - <b>Ms Mila JELAVIĆ</b>, Ombudsman for Children, Croatia</li> </ul> <p><i>Commentator: (TBC)</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
15h45	Coffee break
<p><b>Session III</b></p> <p>16h15</p>	<p><b>Addressing violence through cross-sectoral co-ordination and co-operation at regional and local level</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Ms Hanna KHRYSSTOVA</i>, Kharkiv Law Academy, non-governmental organisation "Volunteer", Ukraine</p> <p><i>Panel of experts:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effects of decentralisation: experience from Italy - <b>Ms Teresa BERTOTTI</b>, Project Manager, Centre for Child Maltreatment and Family Crisis, Lecturer in social work at the University of Milano Bicocca, Italy</li> <li>Integration of social services at local level - a strategy to strengthen the child protection system and better respond to violence against children in Moldova - <b>Mr Corneliu TARUS</b>, Deputy Head of the Family and Child Protection Department, Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family of Moldova</li> <li>Regional planning for development of social services in Bulgaria - <b>Ms Elena MANASIEVA</b>, Head of the Department of Policies for Children and Families, Ministry of Labour and Social Policy of Bulgaria</li> <li>National information campaign on preventing violence against children in the Russian Federation: coordinating efforts of all the parties concerned - <b>Ms Elena KUPRIYANOVA</b>, Deputy Chair, "Children in Need Foundation" under the Ministry for Social Development and Health of the Russian Federation</li> </ul> <p><i>Commentator: Mr Brian MUNDAY</i>, European Institute of Social Services, United Kingdom</p> <p>Discussion</p>
18h00	<p>Day 1 concluding remarks</p> <p><b>Ms Marta SANTOS PAIS</b>, United Nations Secretary General's Special Representative on Violence against Children</p>
18h30	Reception hosted by UNICEF



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Session IV	<b>Counselling, reporting, complaint and referral systems for child victims, witnesses and perpetrators of violence</b>
9h30	<p><i>Moderator:</i> Ms Zinaida KYIANYTSIA, Deputy Director - Programmes, Partnership for EveryChild Ukraine</p> <p><i>Panel of Experts:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obligatory reporting of violence against children: Norwegian experience - Ms Tove NARUD, County Governor Office in Oslo, Akershus, Norway</li> <li>• Institutional violence against vulnerable children - Mr Bernard De VOS, Ombudsperson for Children for the French Community, Belgium</li> <li>• Prevention of child abuse in institutions: Portuguese good practices - Mr José Fernando PIRES BRÁS FRANCO, Senior Family Court Adviser, Portugal</li> <li>• Experience of hotlines as a constituent of the national system of protection of children from violence - Ms Natalia BOCHKOR, Director of the Department of Scientific and Methodological Work, NGO “La Strada - Ukraine”</li> </ul>
10h45	Coffee break
11h00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Countering gender-based violence in schools - Mr Richard IVES, “Educari” learning organisation, United Kingdom</li> </ul> <p><i>Commentator:</i> Ms Liubov SAMOKHINA, Deputy Head of the Children’s Rights Policies Division, Council of Europe</p> <p>Discussion</p>
13h00	Lunch

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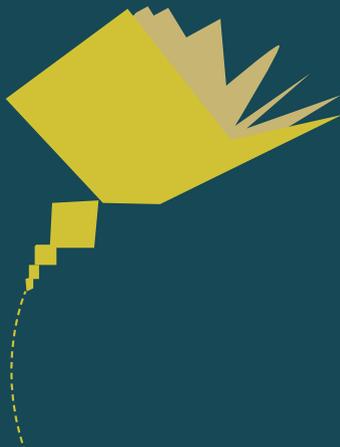
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## From 14h30 till 16h00, three parallel Working Groups

<b>Working Group 1</b>	<p><b>Re-integration and rehabilitation programmes for child victims, witnesses and perpetrators of violence</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Mr Lars LÖÖF</i>, Head of Children's Unit, Council of the Baltic Sea States</p> <p><i>Panel of Experts:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Psychological interventions to help children and families who are victims of violence - <b>Ms Angela ABELA</b>, Director, Centre of Excellence for Family Studies and Senior Lecturer in Clinical Psychology at the University of Malta</li> <li>Types of psychological assistance for child victims of violence - <b>Ms Alla SHUT'</b>, Legal Psychologist, Dnipropetrovsk State University for Internal Affairs, Expert of the Council of Europe Pompidou Group</li> <li>System for the rehabilitation of children in a residential setting established by the Support Centre for Family and Children (from «Otrada» Centre's experience) - <b>Ms Nadezhda MUSALNIKOVA</b>, Director of Rehabilitation Centre "Otrada", Yekaterinburg, Russian Federation</li> </ul>
<b>Working Group 2</b>	<p><b>Child-sensitive procedures and access to justice: what place for child victims, witnesses and perpetrators of violence in judicial and extra-judicial proceedings?</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Ms Ankie VANDEKERCKHOVE</i>, Council of Europe expert on child-friendly justice, Flemish Community Commissioner for Children's Right, 1999-2008, Belgium</p> <p><i>Panel of Experts:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standing of a minor in the domestic proceedings and in the proceedings before the European Court of Human Rights - <b>Mr Dmytro TRETAKOV</b>, Lawyer, European Court of Human Rights</li> <li>Conditions for hearing child victims, witnesses and perpetrators - <b>Mr Bragi GUÐBRANDSSON</b>, Director General of the Government Agency for Child Protection, Iceland</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Principles related to criminal justice for minors in Ukraine - <b>Ms Tawnia SANFORD AMMAR</b>, Canadian Field Advisor, Agriteam Canada, Ukraine Juvenile Justice Reform Project</li> <li>Court process and child's rights for youth offenders and victims - <b>Ms Olga SHAPOVALOVA</b>, Judge, Supreme Court of Ukraine</li> </ul>
<b>Working Group 3</b>	<p><b>Combating child prostitution and child pornography</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Mr John CARR</i>, Senior expert adviser to the International Telecommunication Union, Child Online Protection Initiative, United Kingdom</p> <p><i>Panel of Experts:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Mr Kostiantyn SLIUSAR</b>, Senior agent for major crime cases, Department for Combating Cybercrime and Human Trafficking of the Ministry of Interior of Ukraine</li> <li><b>Ms Mari LAIHO</b>, Safer Internet Activities, Save the Children, Finland</li> </ul>
16h00	Coffee break
16h30	Conclusions from the three Working Groups
17h00	Presentation of the Council of Europe ONE IN FIVE Campaign to stop sexual violence against children - <b>Ms Regina JENSDOTTIR</b> , Head of Children's Rights Policies Division, Council of Europe
17h15	<p><b>Presentation of the Conference preliminary conclusions</b></p> <p><b>Ms Ruth FARRUGIA</b>, Advocate and Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Laws, University of Malta</p>
17h30	<p><b>Close of the conference</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Mr Alexander VLADYCHENKO</b>, Director General for Social Cohesion, Council of Europe</li> <li><b>Mr Ravil SAFIULLIN</b>, Head of the State Service for Youth and Sports of Ukraine</li> </ul>
18h00	Screening of <i>Draw Yourself</i> , a film by Mr Gilles PORTE, organised by UNICEF, the French Institute in Ukraine and the Embassy of France to Ukraine





## About the Council of Europe

Founded in 1949, the Council of Europe seeks to develop common and democratic principles based on the European Convention on Human Rights and other reference texts on the protection of individuals, including children.

The programme "Building a Europe for and with children" was set up to secure and promote children's human rights, and to protect children from all forms of violence.



## About UNICEF

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) is the world's leader for children, working on the ground in 150 countries to help children survive and thrive, from early childhood through adolescence. UNICEF is funded entirely by the voluntary contributions of individuals, businesses, foundations and governments. UNICEF opened its office in Kyiv in 1997.

Of Ukraine's 8.1 million children, over 101,000 live in state-run institutions. The main reasons why parents abandon their children are family poverty, unemployment, declining family and moral values, alcoholism and drug use. Child abandonment can also be seen over the last decade among a growing number of children living and working on the streets.

## About European Union

The European Union is made up of 27 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 50 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms. The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders.

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