



Follow-up on the Lanzarote committee's first implementation report on « the protection of children against sexual abuse in the circle of trust »

- 1. the Lanzarote Convention
 - the convention's objectives and scope
 - Prevention of child sexual exploitation and child sexual abuse
 - Protection of child victims
 - Promotion of child friendly procedures
 - Promotion national/international and interdisciplinary cooperation
 - the monitoring mechanism
 - Thematic rounds, not country by country
 - the working method
 - Questionnaires to Governments + NGO comments
 - Capacity building initiatives

- the 1st implementation round : child sex abuse in the circle of trust
 - Criminalisation of child sex abuse in the circle of trust
 - Collection of data
 - Child friendly criminal proceedings
 - Corporate liability
- the structure of the report
 - Highlighting promising practices
 - Pinpointing shortcomings
 - Recommendations: “urge”, “consider”, “invite”

- The findings:
 - Generally good protection but circle of trust is not often completely covered
 - Insufficient comprehensive, reliable and internationally comparable data
 - A number of promising practices of childfriendly procedures (ex children's house), but this needs a formal agreement between the involved agencies and victims need more care before and after interview
 - Almost all parties have corporate liability for legal persons+individual liability

- In the process and awareness-raising programs need to be included:
 - Civil society (training of professionals, feedback from the ground, technical assistance to Governments)
 - Ombudsmen
 - Children's participation, including child victims and survivors
- Education of parents, professionals and children is a key element