

Thu, 18 Nov
7h00 – 8h50

Workshop 10 – Regional workshop for Pacific

Language: EN

Purpose: Online sexual exploitation and abuse of children (OCSEA) has been a major violation of the rights of children for many years. The COVID-19 pandemic, and increasing screen time by each and every one, has exacerbated the prevalence and risks of OCSEA, including in the Pacific region. While comprehensive approaches are needed to prevent OCSEA, and identify, protect and assist victims, effective criminal justice is an important part of the response to protect children against OCSEA and bring offenders to justice. The aim of this workshop is to share information on the threat of OCSEA as well as good practices in terms of policies, legislation, institutional capacities and domestic and international cooperation on OCSEA.

Moderator/s: James Lutui (Director of Public Prosecutions, Tonga) and Patricia Femia (Assistant State Counsel
State Solicitor's Office Western Australia)

Rapporteur: Ana Guerreiro (Programme Advisor, Children's Rights Division/Lanzarote Committee, Council of Europe)

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► Introduction and objective of the workshop

— James Lutui (Director of Public Prosecutions, Tonga)

► State of play: OCSEA threats and trends during the COVID-19 pandemic

— Matthew Dompier (Criminal Intelligence Officer, Crimes against Children Unit, INTERPOL)
— Alexandru Caciuloiu (Cybercrime and Cryptocurrency Advisor and Regional Coordinator for South East Asia and the Pacific, UNODC)

► Policy responses in the Pacific area to protect children from OCSEA

— Haya Snobar (Assistant Director, Child Protection International Partnerships, Department of Home affairs, Australia)
— Sophie Harding (Assistant Director, Child Protection International Partnerships, Department of Home affairs, Australia)
— Tupou Kafa Vainikolo (Crown Prosecutor, Attorney General's Office, Tonga)

► How to ensure effective criminal justice responses to OCSEA

— Open discussions moderated by Alexandru Caciuloiu (Cybercrime and Cryptocurrency Advisor and Regional Coordinator for South East Asia and the Pacific, UNODC)

► Conclusions