





# **CLOSING CONFERENCE**

# PROJECT TO END ONLINE CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE @EUROPE (ENDOCSEA@Europe)

Fighting OCSEA with new standards and policies, research, knowledge and awareness raising tools.

Online, Bluejeans Platform | 17 June 2021

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**Outline** 

Organised as part of <u>Together to #ENDviolence</u>, as an <u>affiliate event</u> of the <u>Solution Summit Series</u>







# **Background and Justification**

The regional project to End Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse @Europe (EndOCSEA@Europe) is implemented by the Children's Rights Division of the Council of Europe, in cooperation with the Cybercrime Office (C-PROC) in Bucharest, Romania, over a period of 36 months (July 2018- June 2021) and with a budget of (€933,944). The Council of Europe gratefully acknowledges the financial support provided for this project by the Fund to End Violence Against Children (the Fund).

The project aims at ensuring that the rights of children are protected through effective multinational, interdisciplinary and cross-sectorial cooperation and child-friendly measures to prevent and combat child sexual exploitation and abuse facilitated by ICTs (OCSEA) at pan-European level. The project includes 3 mutually reinforcing components each aimed at:

- supporting legislative and procedural reforms, training and improved capacities of law enforcement officials, judiciary and prosecutors and promoting multi-disciplinary interagency cooperation for end-to-end victims' support;
- strengthening national governance structures and conducting situation analysis of risks of OCSEA and responses in national and pan-European context;
- addressing societal capabilities with emphasis on awareness-raising, education of key target groups and empowerment of children.

It is closely anchored in the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2016-2021) which identifies the rights of the child in the digital environment as a priority area for action by Council of Europe bodies and committees as well as by member states. It supports the implementation of relevant international and European standards, in particular the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (the Lanzarote Convention) and 8 of the capabilities identified in the WePROTECT Model National Responses.

It is also embedded in the overall work of the Council of Europe in the field of Cybercrime, supporting states to apply relevant Budapest Convention provisions.

### Objective

In the context of the closing of the project, the conference will be an opportunity to share key issues and concrete results of the above mentioned 3 components by looking at progress made in:

• tackling OCSEA with improved legislation and policies at national, regional and international level; in this context, the methodology developed in the context of the project to analyse legislative and political gaps will be discussed in the broader context of the work of the Lanzarote Committee and the T-CY given their role to ensuring the effective implementation of the Lanzarote and Budapest Conventions. Progress made by both bodies over the last 2 years will be discussed jointly to see how it will contribute ultimately also to improving national, regional and international responses to OCSEA. On this occasion, other relevant national Children's Rights and regional and global Cybercrime projects will be invited to share initiatives to improve the level of implementation of both Conventions. This session will seek to provide orientations for the







future of the Council of Europe work in the field of standard setting, monitoring and cooperation, in the context of the Lanzarote and Budapest Conventions (see webinar 1 below).

- understanding OCSEA, in particular with the current context of the pandemic, its trends, challenges and promising practices by looking at the recent findings of the updated version of the Baseline Mapping Report of member states responses to prevent and combat online child sexual exploitation and abuse. The report was updated in the context of the pandemic to seek additional information and data on the potential impact of the lockdown and see whether new information was reliable and available quickly, to identify possible changes in terms of trends and responses and formulate recommendations for improvements to ensure the sustainable impact and use of this research. These will be presented and discussed with key international partners who are working on priority issues related to OCSEA including its continuous research (see webinar 2 below)
- in raising the awareness of children, in particular very young ones (as from the age of 2) who are increasingly exposed to risks online with parents, carers and professionals working in pre-schools and schools who are not equipped enough to protect children, especially in the new environment which was triggered with the pandemic. A discussion among experts from different sectors and working in this area will be led and framed by around 'Kiko and the Manymes' video, storybook and tips for parents of children of 4-7 years old. The interactive exchange between experts aims to help identify existing risks for very young children when exposed to screens and to illustrate ways of empowering both children and adults in reducing or even completely preventing these risks from occurring. (see webinar 3 below).

## **Participants**

In order to participate, please register online by filling out the registration form at the following link: <a href="https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/register/sryxurcq">https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/register/sryxurcq</a>. An email with the link to participate will be sent to the email adress provided upon registration.

### Administrative arrangements

The webinars will take place on the Bluejeans platform, in ENGLISH. It will be organised on 17 June as from 10.00 until 17.30 CET time (Summer Time, UTC/GMT +2).







# **DRAFT Programme**

WEBINAR O	NE	10:00-12:00	<b>TACKLING</b>	OCSEA	THROUGH	THE	LANZAROTE	AND	<b>BUDAPEST</b>
CONVENTIO	NS								

The objective of this webinar is to present the added value of the Lanzarote and Budapest Conventions in tackling crimes of OCSEA, progress made at international but also national levels with regards to effective legislation and policies and discuss challenges and opportunities to improve action in this area at the global level.

	Moderators: Stephanie Burel, Senior Project Officer, Children's Rights Division Ovidiu Măjină, Project Officer, C-PROC Cybercrime Programme Office
10.00	Opening Regína Jensdóttir, Head of the Council of Europe Children's Rights Division Virgil Spiridon, Head of Operations, C-PROC Cybercrime Programme Office
10.10	Presentation of the Lanzarote and Budapest Conventions and their applicability to OCSEA crimes

- Presentation of the Lanzarote Convention and the monitoring role of the Lanzarote Committee –Ms Maria José Castello-Branco, Vice-Chair to the Lanzarote Committee (10 min)
- Presentation of the Budapest Convention and the role of the T-CY in the context of OCSEA, Virgil Spiridon, Head of Operations, C-PROC Cybercrime Programme Office (10 min)
- Existing challenges in implementing standards when addressing OCSEA from the Lanzarote and Cybercrime perspectives respectively (5 min)

# 10:35 Questions from the chat 10:45 Recent progress made at international level to improve standards and procedures: (25 min)

- Presentation by Ms Christel De Craim, Chair of the Lanzarote Committee, on the current second monitoring round on 'the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse facilitated by information and communication technologies (ICTs)' and the importance of child participation in this process, Ms Faustine Labbadi, Secretariat to the Lanzarote Committee (15 min)
- Presentation by the T-CY on progress made with the Second Additional Protocol to the Budapest Convention and its potential impact on OCSEA, Ioana Albani, T-CY Representative (10 min)

11:10	Questions from the chat







11:15	Overview of progress made at regional and national level on the implementation of the Lanzarote and Budapest Conventions in the field of OCSEA with cooperation projects (20 min)	
>	Impact of analysis and tools developed to promote the improved implementation of the Lanzarote and Budapest Conventions at national level, Stéphanie Burel (5 min)	
>	Results of the <i>Projects to Combat Sexual Violence in Ukraine and Moldova,</i> Zaruhi Gasparyan (5 min)	
>	Activities and expected results of the <i>CyberEAST</i> project, Giorgi Jokhadze (5 min)	
~	Activities and Expected of the global <i>Octopus</i> project, Nina Lichtner (5 min)	
11:35	Action taken at global level: current work and future prospects (20 min)	
>	Mama Fatima Singhateh, UN Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children – video message	
>	Ian Drennan, Executive Director, WePROTECT Global Alliance (5 min)	
>	Serena Tommasino, Knowledge and Advocacy Specialist at End Violence (5 min)	
>	Discussion	
	Closing remarks (10 min)	
11:55	Regína Jensdóttir, Head of the Council of Europe Children's Rights Division	
	Virgil Spiridon, Head of Operations, C-PROC Cybercrime Programme Office	

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### **WEBINAR TWO 13:30-15:00**

This session will be dedicated to the presentation and discussions with international partners on the key findings of the updated Baseline Mapping Report of member states responses to prevent and combat online child sexual exploitation abuse , which was prepared by Ms Victoria Baines for the EndOCSEA@Europe, and in particular the recommendations drafted to reflect on the effects of the Covid 19 pandemic, to present promising practices and address remaining challenges. The report reflects on the level of implementation of the WeProtect Model National Response which will be addressed together with WeProtect Global Alliance.

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13:30	Moderators: Stephanie Burel, Senior Project Officer, EndOCSEA@Europe Ovidiu Măjină, Project Officer, EndOCSEA@Europe
13:35	Session 1: Fostering research and strengthening resource centres
>	General quizz – facts and figures - 'Did you know ?', Victoria Baines, Council of Europe independent expert (5 minutes)
>	General presentation of the updated <i>Baseline Mapping Report</i> – Victoria Baines (10 min)
13:50	







Session 2: OCSEA and the impact of COVID-19: what we know so far and what can be recommended

### Prevention, Reporting, Response - End Violence Fund

Serena Tommasino, Knowledge and Advocacy Specialist at End Violence – 8 minutes

### **Prevention**

- Recommendations from the updated Baseline Mapping Report (discussion Victoria Baines and Ian Drennan) 8 minutes
- > Examples of initiatives and trends
- Safer Internet Centers, Karl Hopwood, in-house esafety consultant Insafe and the Insafe helpline coordinator— 8 minutes

#### Reporting

- ➤ **Recommendations** from the updated Baseline Mapping Report (discussion Victoria Baines and Ian Drennan) 8 minutes
- > Examples of initiatives and trends
- National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) on the increase of referrals,
   John Shehan, Vice President, Exploited Children Division -8 minutes
- Focus on reporting and the role of INHOPE, Denton Howard, Executive Director of INHOPE – 8 minutes

### Response

- ➤ **Recommendations** from the updated Baseline Mapping Report (discussion Victoria Baines and Ian Drennan) 8 minutes
- > Examples of initiatives and trends
  - Interpol (international cooperation, ICSE database), Uri SADEH, Coordinator Crimes against Children Unit 8 minutes

15:00 | Closing of the webinar

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WEBINAR THREE 15:30-17:00 Entering the world of 'Kiko and the Manymes' for parents, carers and professionals working with very young children (4-7 years old)

In an interactive discussion with three experts, the objective will be to provide parents, carers and professionals with the strategies and skills to empower young users in the digital environment. The experts will use the 'Kiko and the Manymes' tools, including the two sets of golden rules to protect very young children from too much screen use or misuse. In addition to describing how these tools can be used, the discussion aims to raise the awareness of adults on their responsibility towards young children, who are increasingly exposed to screens over longer periods of time and to be mindful of children's digital footprint when uploading pictures on social media for example. The exposure of very young children to screens via tablets, computers, television screens or phones will also be addressed from a health perspective, in order to fully







grasp what should be avoided, and what can be done, to ensure the well-being of all children in today's environment. Good practices at the level of parents, carers, schools and also nurseries will be envisaged, shared and discussed to open the door to strengthen opportunities for change.

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15.30	Regína Jensdóttir, Head of the Council of Europe Children's Rights Division Elda Moreno, Head of the Council of Europe Children's Rights and Sports Value Department
15.40	VIDEO OF 'KIKO AND THE MANYMES' - Presentation
	What should I know about specific risks online for young children?
15:45	Susanna Greijer, Council of Europe independent expert
>	Facts and figures
	Type of risks?
	It does not just happen to other children!
>	Victims are younger and younger!
	Do we know the impact of the increasingly digitalized life on our children?
15.55	Nina Vaaranen-Valkonen, Council of Europe independent expert
~	The ancient brain and screens?
	Pros and cons?
>	How to seek balance?
16:05	The 'Kiko and the Manymes' storybook and parental tips led by Elizabeth Milovidov, Council of Europe independent expert with other experts
>	What does Kiko tells us?
>	Parents need help!
>	Parental responsibility
>	The role of schools and nurseries
16:25	Questions from the chat
16:35	Examples of good practices (all experts)
16:45	Conclusion and the way forward (all experts)
16:50	Closing of the conference Regina Jensdottir, Head of the Children's Rights Division.