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Barnahus Conference:

Barnahus as the model to provide comprehensive protection to child victims of sexual violence

Joint EU-Council of Europe project

“Strengthening child friendly justice through effective cooperation and coordination among different Barnahus-type services in the regions of Spain”

10 February 2023

10:00 (Madrid time)

Ministry of Social Rights and Agenda 2030

18-20 Paseo del Prado, 28014, Madrid, Spain

“Ernest Lluch” Assembly Room

Context

The joint EU DG Reform – Council of Europe project “Strengthening child friendly justice through effective cooperation and coordination among different Barnahus-type services in the regions of Spain” is implemented by the Council of Europe in close collaboration with the Ministry of Social Rights and Agenda 2030 during the period of 06/07/2022-05/07/2024. It is co-financed by the EU Structural Support Reform Programme. Barnahus is a leading European model for a child-friendly multidisciplinary and interagency response to child sexual exploitation and abuse.

The project will support the Spanish Government in improving relevant legislation, policies and tools to introduce the Barnahus model and in strengthening the capacity of relevant professionals working for and with children. The project is divided into two main components:

1. Improving the legislative and policy framework to introduce the Barnahus model in Spanish regions;
2. Strengthening capacities of relevant professionals.

The project also foresees the organisation of awareness-raising activities and the exchange of good practices. This conference constitutes the first training on the Barnahus model and its implementation in the different territories of the country.

Agenda

10:00-10:30	<p>Welcoming remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ione Belarra, Ministry of Social Rights and Agenda 2030</i> • <i>Sébastien Renaud, Deputy Head of Unit, DG REFORM, European Commission</i> • <i>Régina Jensdóttir, Head of the Council of Europe Children’s Rights Division</i> <p>Moderated by <i>Lucía Losoviz Adani, Director General of Childhood and Adolescence, Spanish Ministry of Social Rights and Agenda 2030</i></p>
10:30-11:30	<p>Panel I. International panel. Towards the implementation of the Barnahus model in Europe</p> <p>- Moderator: <i>Régina Jensdóttir, Head Council of Europe Children’s Rights Division</i></p>
	<p>What Barnahus is?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Shawna von Blixen, Promise Barnahus Network Coordinator, Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS)</i>
	<p>Council of Europe relevant standards and experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Zaruhi Gasparyan, Senior Project Officer at the Council of Europe</i>
	<p>Lessons learnt from the Barnahus model in Iceland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ólöf Á. Farestveit, Director General of the National Agency for Children and Families, Iceland</i>
	<p>Slovenia joint EU-COE Barnahus project: a success story</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Andrej Del Fabro, Head of the Child-friendly Criminal Justice Department, Ministry of Justice, Slovenia</i>
	Q&A session
11:30-12:00	Coffee break

12:00-13:15	Panel II. Child-friendly justice - Moderator: <i>Eduardo Esteban, Juvenile Prosecutor, General Prosecutor's Office</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Zaira Santana Amador, Resources Facilitator to prevent secondary victimisation in the Court of Violence against Children and Adolescents of LPGC</i> • <i>M. José Osuna Cerezo - Chief Prosecutor of Tarragona</i> • <i>Rafael Sainz de Rosas- General Director of Justice, Government of Navarra</i> • <i>Rafael M^a Bañón González, Forensic Doctor, Advisor to the Directorate General for the Public Justice Service, Ministry of Justice.</i>
	Q&A session
13:15-14:30	Lunch break
14:30-15:00	Panel III. Presentation of the project Barnahus Spain
	Project impact and dynamics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Lucía Losoviz Adani, Director General of Childhood and Adolescence, Spanish Ministry of Social Rights and Agenda 2030</i>
	Inception report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mireya García de Murcia, Project Officer at the Council of Europe</i>
15:00-16:50	Panel IV. The regional experiences with Barnahus services - Moderator: <i>Lucía Losoviz, DG Childhood and Adolescence MDSA2030</i>
	Cataluña. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ester Cabanes Vall, General Directorate for Children and Adolescents (DGAIA), Catalunya</i> Andalusia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Francisco José Mora Cobo, DG Childhood, Adolescence and Youth, Andalusia.</i> Valencian Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Rosa Josefa Molero Mañés, DG Childhood and Adolescence, Valencian Community</i> Cantabria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>José Ángel Rodríguez Martínez, Head of the Social Planning and Evaluation Service, DG for Social Policy, Cantabria</i> Community of Madrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Silvia Valmaña Ochaita, DG Childhood, Families and Birth Rate Promotion, Community of Madrid</i>
	Q&A session
16:50-17:00	Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Sébastien Renaud, Deputy Head of Unit, DG REFORM, European Commission</i> • <i>Lucía Losoviz, Director General of Childhood and Adolescence, Spanish Ministry of Social Rights and Agenda 2030</i>