End Violence
Global threats and trends

21 November 2019

Council of Europe, Strasbourg
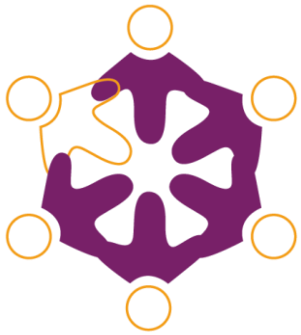
Octopus Cybercrime Conference

End Violence
Against Children

WHAT IS END VIOLENCE?

- Global Partnership to End Violence against Children

- Platform for movement to end violence against children everywhere in all forms

- Supports actions that realise commitment to SDG 16.2 and related targets

End Violence **three objectives:**

Grow demand for change

Mobilise new resources

Equip practitioners

1 billion

children experience violence every year. That's at least half of the world's children.
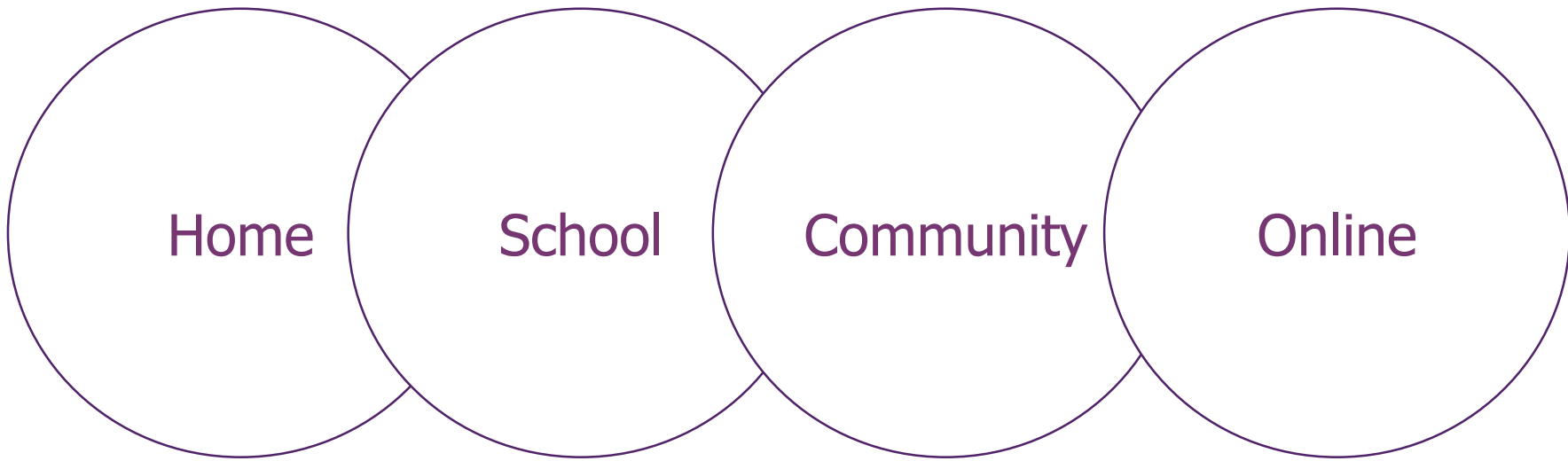
120 million

girls have experienced **sexual violence**

9 in 10

children live in countries where **corporal punishment** is not fully prohibited.

Environments

Home School Community Online

Going Online: Opportunity, Risk & Harm

- Increasing Internet penetration and use of ICTs

- Unprecedented opportunities for communication and exchange

- Ease of access to and use of social media apps
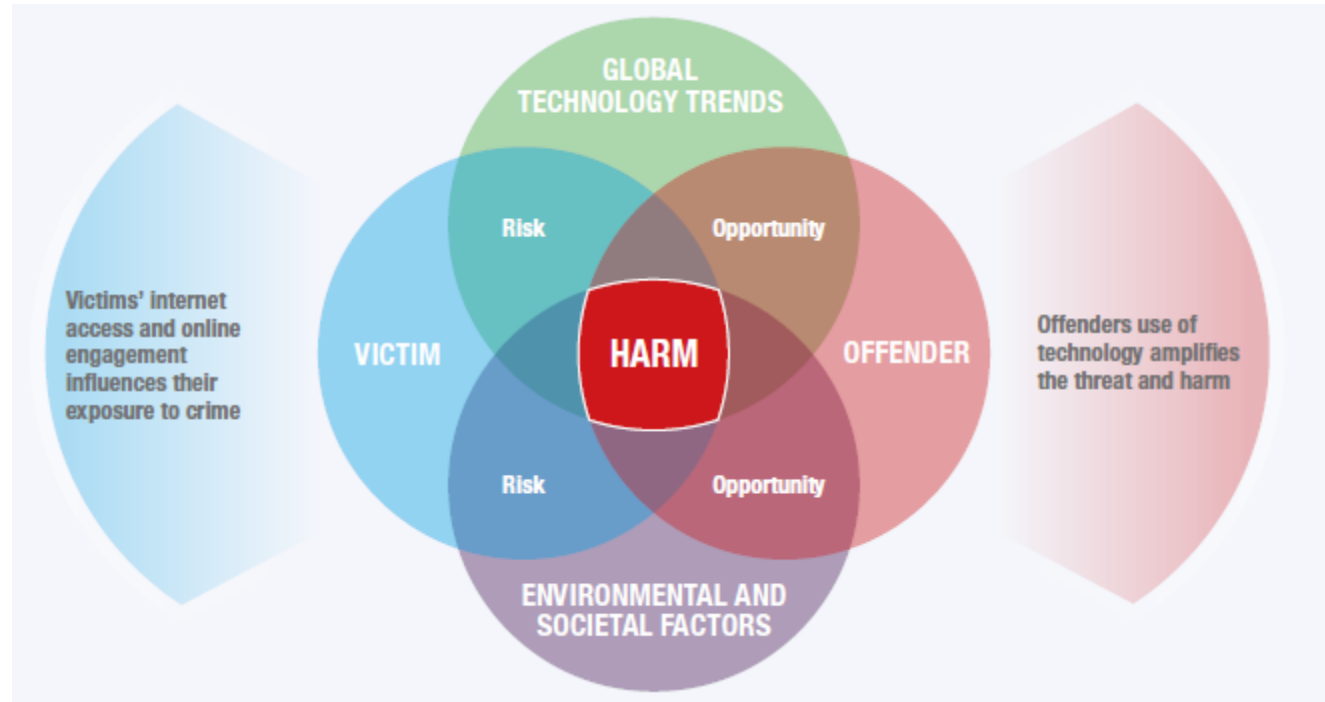
- More children and adults going online

Victimisation

Global Threat Assessment 2018
WePROTECT Global Alliance
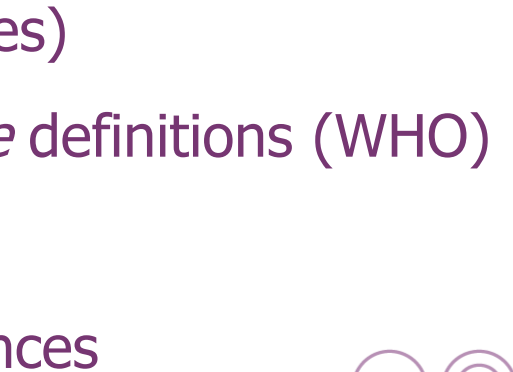

https://www.weprotect.org/

Definitions

- Lack of universal definitions, typologies and terminology

- Conceptual challenges

- Language and cultural challenges

- Terminology Guidelines for the Protection of Children from Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (Luxembourg Guidelines)
    - *Legal* (CRC, Council of Europe, EU) vs. *descriptive* definitions (WHO)
    - *Online* and *offline* environments
    - *Content*-related offences and *contact*-related offences

Online Child Sexual Exploitation Activities
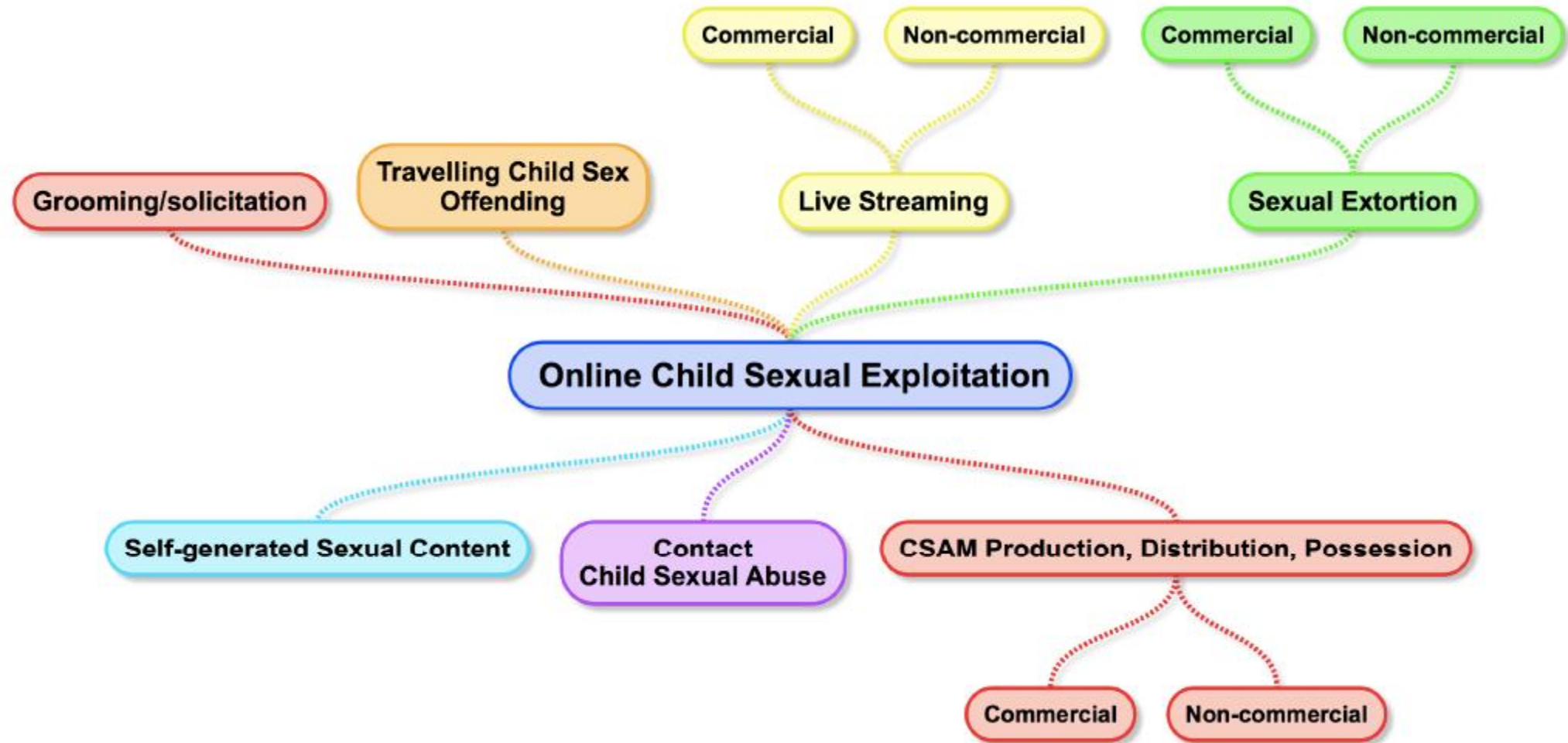
Online Child Sexual Exploitation: Towards an Optimal International Response
Victoria Baines, Oxford Internet Institute and Bournemouth University
https://www.researchgate.net/publication/327306300_Online_Child_Sexual_Exploitation_Towards_an_Optimal_International_Response

Trends

- Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) volume/circulation continues to increase

- Self-generated exploitation material (SGEM) more common and problematic

- CSEA to order including via live streaming → new commercial models

- Detected CSAM shows increase in reports relating to Global South

- Most CSAM still hosted on image hosting sites on open web

- Darknet bulletin boards increasingly popular for sharing

- Offences may involve multiple tech platforms and services

- Increased use of social media apps used to victimize children

- Continued use of anonymization and encryption by perpetrators

Victims and perpetrators

- Girls and boys

- All age categories but majority pre-pubescent (CSAM)

- More severe abuse associated with younger victims (CSAM)

- Younger children falling victim to OCSEA inc. grooming, sexual extortion

- No clear profile of perpetrators

- Perpetrators include under 18s

- Online dimension of CSEA

  - Expands demographic and relationships between victims & perpetrators

  - Amplifies impact for victims and survivors (revictimisation)

Equipping Practitioners: End Violence Fund
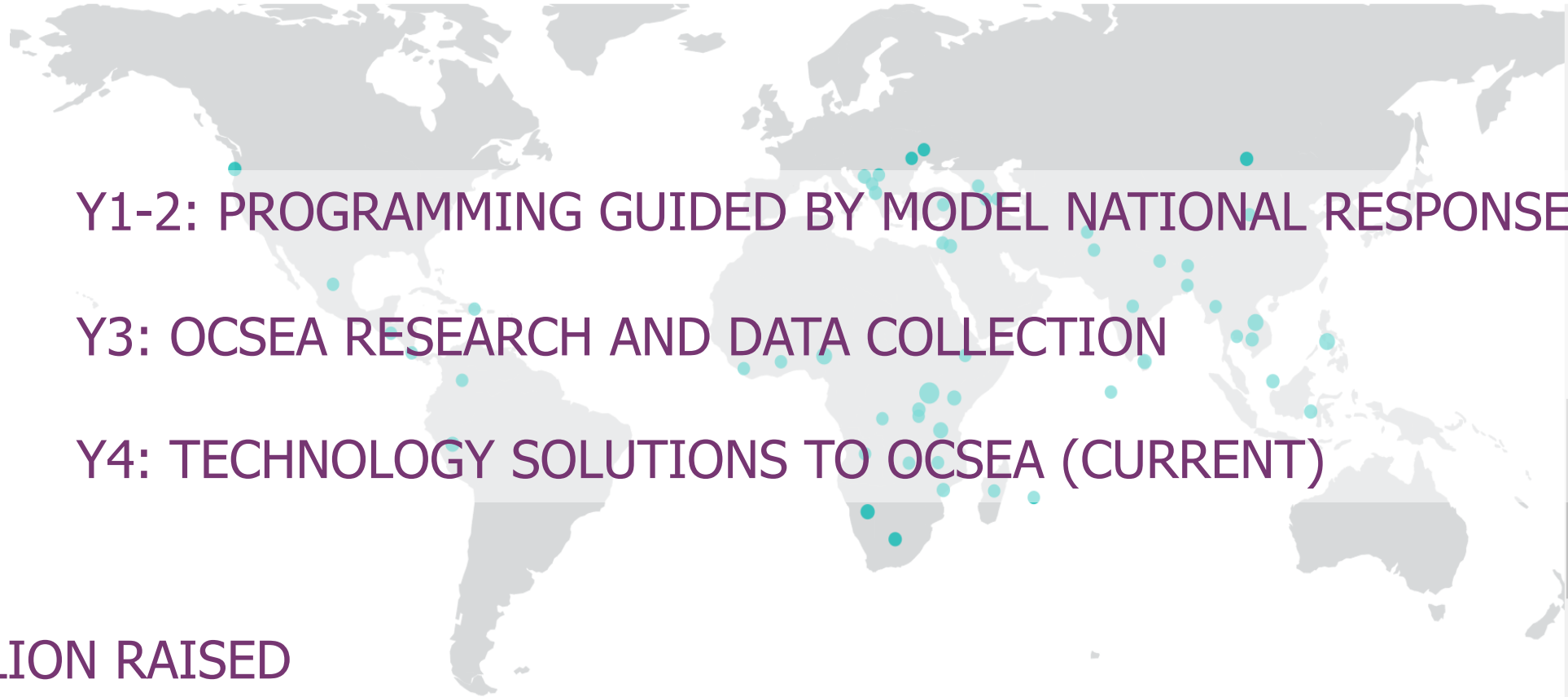
Y1-2: PROGRAMMING GUIDED BY MODEL NATIONAL RESPONSE

Y3: OCSEA RESEARCH AND DATA COLLECTION

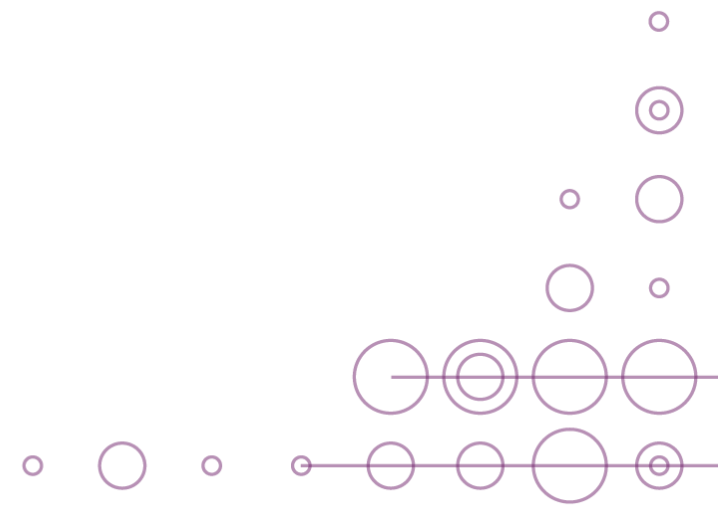Y4: TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS TO OCSEA (CURRENT)

$ 68 MILLION RAISED
$ 37.6 MILLION INVESTED

49 RECIPIENTS OF GRANTS
27 NATIONAL + REGIONAL + GLOBAL AWARDS

End Violence and the Council of Europe

- **Who**: Child Rights Division

- **When**: July 2018 – December 2020

- **What**: End Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse @ Europe

- **With**: All 47 Council of Europe Member States

  - **Focus**: Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey

  - **Pilot**: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine

Common Challenges → Response

- Improve legislation & enforcement

- Secure stakeholder commitment

- Build multi-stakeholder collaboration

- Develop localized capacity & expertise

- Support research & data collection

- Ensure evidence-based interventions to inform policy & programming

- Educate to inform & address social norms and taboos

- Expand access to technology solutions

- Address prevention & response in relation to perpetrators of CSEA

- Streamline advocacy & communications

Researching OCSEA: Disrupting Harm

Evidence from 14 countries on the context, threats and children's perspectives of online child sexual exploitation and abuse

Three Partners

Context: ECPAT

Threat: INTERPOL

Voices of Children: UNICEF

Office of Research Innocenti

14 Countries

- Ethiopia
- Uganda
- Kenya
- Rwanda
- Tanzania
- Mozambique
- South Africa
- Namibia
- Indonesia
- Malaysia
- Thailand
- Cambodia
- Vietnam
- Philippines

DISRUPTING HARM

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Output

ECPAT desk review and primary research

14 country reports and 2 regional reports

INTERPOL Crime statistics and LE capacity assessment

UNICEF's survey on children's perspectives

DISRUPTING HARM

Investing in tech solutions — 2019 Open call

2019 OPEN CALL

End Violence Against Children

WE ARE LOOKING FOR TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS TO MAKE DIGITAL SPACES SAFE FOR CHILDREN

THE FOUR OBJECTIVES:

1 — Detect, remove and report images and videos of child sexual abuse

2 — Block adults' access to children on digital platforms intended to sexually abuse them

3 — Stop live-streaming of child sexual abuse

4 — Prevent online sexual abuse of children

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