

ICTS AND VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN: MINIMISING RISKS AND RELEASING POTENTIAL

EXPERT CONSULTATION

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PROGRAMME¹

Monday 9 June 2014

8.30 OFFICIAL OPENING

Welcome words by

- Ms Ana Helena Chacón Echeverría, Vice President of the Republic of Costa Rica
- Ms Gisela Kooper Arguedas, Minister of Science and Technology
- Ms Marta Santos Pais, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General on Violence against Children
- Ms Tanya Chapuisat, UNICEF Representative in Costa Rica

(Short break)

9:15 Setting the scene and objectives of the meeting

- Ms Marta Santos Pais

9:30 ICTs – the Costa Rican experience

- Ms Ana Teresa León Saenz, President of the National Child Welfare Agency

9:40 SESSION I- Connected Children: Who are they, what do they do, wish and need?

Facilitator: Ms Marta Santos Pais

- Ms Verónica Donoso, Postdoctoral researcher, ICRI, KULeuven, iMinds. Kids ONLINE
- Ms Milena Grillo, Executive Director of Paniamor, Costa Rica-RedNATIC
- Ms Gaby Reyes Godoy, Advocacy, Chicos.net

Possible discussion points for Session I: gaps in research, research ethics, adults' perceptions and assumptions, children as agents of change, as victims and as offenders

¹ Given the dynamic nature of the consultation, some sessions may need more (or less) time than anticipated.

11:30 Coffee break

12:00 SESSION II- Empowering and protecting children: the normative framework

Facilitator: Ms Corinne Dettmeijer-Vermeulen

- The Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography, European standards and case law
 - Ms Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, UN Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography
- Data protection, right to information and freedom of expression
 - Mr Renato Leite Monteiro, Council of Europe Expert
- Right to education
 - Mr Vernor Muñoz, Global Advisor on Education, Plan International
- UN standards for the prevention and elimination of cybercrime
 - Ms Bertha Navelly Loya, Policy Analyst, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Possible discussion points for Session II: On line-off line continuum, possible gaps in standards, State regulation- self regulation

13:30 Lunch Break

14:30 SESSION III- Implementation and enforcement

Facilitator: Ms Maud de Boer-Buquicchio

- Ms Corinne Dettmeijer-Vermeulen, Dutch Rapporteur on Trafficking in Human Beings and Sexual Violence against Children
- Ms Marie-Laure Lemineur, Head – ‘Combating sexual exploitation of children online’ Programme, ECPAT International
- Sergeant Marko Forss, Virtual Community Policing Group, Helsinki Police, Finland
- Ms Katia Dantas, Policy Director for Latin American & Caribbean, The International Centre for Missing and Exploited Children (ICMEC)

Possible discussion points for Session III: obstacles to implementation, departing from the focus on prosecution, State regulation- self regulation

16:00 Coffee break

16:30 SESSION III (Continues)

18:00 Closing of first day

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9:00 SESSION IV: Laws, policies and frameworks

Facilitator: Ms Marie-Laure Lemineur

- Ms Clara Sommarin, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF
- Mr Rodrigo Robles, Programme Officer, International Telecommunications Union (ITU)
- Ms Milena Grillo, Executive Director, Paniamor, Costa Rica-RedNATIC

Possible discussion points for Session IV: Trends, lessons learnt, main challenges and gaps, missing partners, needs of various stakeholders (governments, industry, parents and professionals working with children...)

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 SESSION V- Children as digital citizens: releasing the potential of ICTs

a. Education and digital literacy

Facilitator: Mr Vernor Muñoz

- Mr Gabriel Recalde, Policy Analyst, Google
- Mr Rodrigo Robles, Programme Officer, International Telecommunications Union (ITU)

12:30 Lunch Break

14:00 SESSION V (Continues)

b. ICTs and access to information, counselling and reporting mechanisms

Facilitator: Ms Clara Sommarin

- Ms Emily Logan, Ombudsman for Children, Ireland
- Ms Nenita Larose, Executive Director, Child Helpline International (CHI)

c. ICTs and Child participation

Facilitator: Ms Emily Logan

- Ms Clara Sommarin, Child Protection Specialist, Exploitation and Violence, UNICEF
- Ms Andrea Urbas, Projects Director, Chicos.net-RedNATIC
- Ms Rocio Valencia, Regional Programme Manager, Save the Children

Possible discussion points for Session V: role of education sector, disseminating results, mobilizing resources, stimulating creative partnerships, multiplying impact, young children

15:30 Coffee Break

16:00 SESSION VI- The way forward: moving towards a safe, inclusive and empowering Digital Agenda

Facilitator: Ms Marta Santos Pais

- **Imagining children's future digital universe:** On the basis of trends and available data, experts will be invited to imagine the possible evolution of children's use of ICTs and anticipate the opportunities and challenges of a children's rights centered Digital Agenda. Issues to address include internet penetration in low income countries, the use of technology by younger children or socially excluded children, the evolution of concepts and values and the future generations of parents.
- **Proposing a Safe, Inclusive and Digital Agenda**

Experts will be invited to make suggestions for:

 1. The contents of a future **safe, inclusive and empowering** digital agenda;
 2. The **process** that should be put in place to promote this agenda (mapping, creating and using opportunities);
 3. **Their contribution** to the development and promotion of this agenda

17:30 Conclusions and closing of the meeting