

## **Global Alliance against Child Sexual Abuse Online**

**Moldova**

**Policy target No. 1: Enhancing efforts to identify victims and ensuring that they receive the necessary assistance, support and protection**

<b>Operational Goal:</b>	Increase the number of identified victims in the International Child Sexual Exploitation images database (ICSE database) managed by INTERPOL by at least 10% yearly
<b>Actions ALREADY UNDERTAKEN</b>	
<b>Description of the actions <u>already undertaken</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the framework of the country, by Minister's order No. 276 from the 14th of August, 2012 was created a specialized section "Combating trafficking via Internet" in order to strengthen the efforts on the problem of sexual abuse of children.</li> <li>• The CCCC is a subdivision of the General Police Inspectorate, carrying out responsibilities and implementing state policy in the field of combating cyber-crimes and child exploitation. The Center was created in the context of the Police reformation process, according to the Government Decision No. 986 from the 24th of December, 2012. The Center includes in its structure the Child protection bureau.</li> <li>• From 20th to 22nd of February, 2013 was organized a training for staff forming, with the participation of the instructors from ICPO Interpol, about using the "ICSE" database, administered by the Interpol. Thus was obtained the access to "ICSE" DB and the specialized police officers are introducing acquired images and also analysing the existing ones.</li> </ul>
<b>Actions that WILL BE UNDERTAKEN</b>	
<b>Description of the actions that <u>will be undertaken and timeframe</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishing a mechanism for direct cooperation with officers from other states, especially those in the neighborhood, for a direct interaction with specialized units to combat child pornography and sexual abuse/exploitation of children.</li> </ul>

**Policy target No. 2: Enhancing efforts to investigate cases of child sexual abuse online and to identify and prosecute offenders**

<b>Operational Goal:</b>	Establish the necessary framework for the criminalization of child sexual abuse online and the effective prosecution of offenders, with the objective of enhancing efforts to investigate and prosecute offenders
<b>Operational Goal:</b>	Improve the joint efforts of law enforcement authorities across Global Alliance countries to investigate and prosecute child sexual abuse online
<b>Actions ALREADY UNDERTAKEN</b>	
<b><i>Description of the actions already undertaken</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On the 19th of December, 2011 the Republic of Moldova ratified the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (the Convention from Lanzarote).</li> <li>• Following the achievement of commitments undertaken after the ratification of Convention from Lanzarote, the Criminal Code was adapted to international standards, the art.2081 "Child pornography" has been amended. The art. 1751 "Grooming children for sexual purposes" was introduced.</li> <li>• Currently a new bill is under development on amending several laws: Criminal Code, Criminal Procedure Code, preventing and combating cybercrime law etc.</li> <li>• Creating the CCCC aimed at strengthening cooperation between multiple law enforcement agencies in our country on cyber-crimes, including child pornography. The Cyber-crime section of General Prosecutor's Office has been allocated several officers at the same floor of the CCCC office.</li> <li>• In order to train specialized officers, combating child pornography unit's policemen were in an exchange of experience in the ICE's Cyber-crime center in the United States.</li> <li>• Training was organized for connecting to the Child Protection System (CPS).</li> <li>• Training was organized by TAIEX program of the Council of Europe, in which was acquired EU countries' experience in combating child pornography and sexual abuse of children.</li> <li>• The CCCC is working shoulder to shoulder with the prosecutors of the cyber-crime section of General Prosecutor's Office. In order to facilitate the cooperation between investigation officers and prosecutors, the Cyber-crime section of GPO has been allocated several officers of the same floor of the CCCC office.</li> <li>• The CCCC is cooperating with NGOs which are involved in providing social assistance to victims of sexual exploitation and abuse, such as International Center "La Strada" and "Center for Child Abuse Prevention".</li> <li>• The specialization of Moldavian police in the field of child pornography and child sexual abuse started to advance since 2011. In these two years several joint investigations were organized with such countries as</li> </ul>

	<p>Romania, Germany, etc. One of the relevant cases finished with conviction of hands-on-abuser with 20 years of imprisonment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The national legislation recognizes the evidence collected in other states and allows sharing information with other countries, especially in case of investigating trans-border crimes.</li> <li>• According to domestic law the ISPs have the obligation to keep the information for at least 6 month. Practical cases had shown that they are not keeping all the necessary information, in many cases the data is limited to the fact of logging in or logging off from the internet service client. Basing on this bad practice, a draft of law is now being examined in order to oblige the ISPs to keep and conserve certain data on their servers.</li> <li>• The CCCC is connected to IPSG network which facilitate international cooperation in preventing and combating child pornography and sexual abuse/exploitation of children.</li> </ul>
<b>Actions that WILL BE UNDERTAKEN</b>	
<p><b><i>Description of the actions that <u>will be undertaken</u> and timeframe</i></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our legislation, at the moment, does not allow undercover on-line investigation, as it is considered entrapment and provocation. But, we are looking for legal procedure which will fill this gap in the domestic legislation in order to find the sexual abusers who are grooming children on internet or to revel hands-on-abusers through chats.</li> <li>• Organizing and participating in joint investigations on child pornography and sexual exploitation of children with other members of Global Alliance.</li> </ul>

**Policy target No. 3: Enhancing efforts to increase public awareness of the risks posed by children's activities online, including grooming and self-production of images that results in the production of new child pornography that may be distributed online**

<b>Operational Goal:</b>	Develop, improve, or support appropriate public awareness campaigns or other measures which educate parents, children, and others responsible for children regarding the risks that children's online conduct poses and the steps they can take to minimize those risks
<b>Operational Goal:</b>	Share best practices among Global Alliance countries for effective strategies to inform the public about the risks posed by online, self-exploitative conduct in order to reduce the production of new child pornography
<b>Actions ALREADY UNDERTAKEN</b>	
<b><i>Description of the actions <u>already undertaken</u></i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active cooperation with Ministry of Education and its institutions (primary schools and high schools, boarding schools) is realized in order to prevent and reveal cases of sexual abuse of children.</li> </ul>
<b>Actions that WILL BE UNDERTAKEN</b>	
<b><i>Description of the actions that <u>will be undertaken and timeframe</u></i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Informing the administrative staff of the education institutions and parents' committees about the risk and ways to avoid cases of sexual abuse of children.</li> <li>• Elaboration with the NGOs of boards, brochures and other kinds of informational resources dedicated to different social groups.</li> <li>• Establishing direct contacts with member countries of the Global Alliance in order to make familiar with the best practices in public informing activities.</li> </ul>

**Policy target No. 4: Reducing as much as possible the availability of child pornography online and reducing as much as possible the re-victimization of children whose sexual abuse is depicted**

<b>Operational Goal:</b>	Encourage participation by the private sector in identifying and removing known child pornography material located in the relevant State, including increasing as much as possible the volume of system data examined for child pornography images.
<b>Operational Goal:</b>	Increase the speed of notice and takedown procedures as much as possible without jeopardizing criminal investigation
<b>Actions ALREADY UNDERTAKEN</b>	
<b><i>Description of the actions already undertaken</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At the moment, a draft of law is being examined in order to oblige the ISPs to transmit the images/videos of child pornography which were detected or reported by the internet service users and also to block the links with forbidden content.</li> <li>• The hotline which works in the field of child pornography and sexual abuse/exploitation is set up in the IC “La Strada” NGO. All the information obtained on the phone or on internet through the “report button” is transmitted directly to the CCCC.</li> </ul>
<b>Actions that WILL BE UNDERTAKEN</b>	
<b><i>Description of the actions that will be undertaken and timeframe</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The mechanism of exchange of information with the ISPs regarding child pornography and sexual abuse material will be developed in cooperation with the Government agencies responsible for controlling and licensing the ISPs activities, after the amendments of the law will be adopted by the Parliament.</li> <li>• In cooperation with the Ministry of Informational Technology and Communications the Code of Conduct of the ISPs will be drafted and adopted.</li> <li>• In order to facilitate the development and the use of technologies, to identify and remove known child pornography images, improve international cooperation, all the detected images and videos of child pornography content will be stored in Central national data base, administrated by the CCCC’s Child protection bureau which will analysed the seized and detected material and uploaded it to ICSE DB.</li> <li>• In order to fasten the exchange of information regarding child pornography and sexual abuse/exploitation shall be set up a direct secured line with IC “La Strada” NGO.</li> <li>• The Memorandum of cooperation with the IC “La Strada” NGO will be drafted and signed in order to consolidate our partnership.</li> <li>• The legal framework regarding the procedure of blocking the web links</li> </ul>

	consisting child pornography will be elaborated after the above mentioned amendments of the law will be in force.
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