Global Alliance against Child Sexual Abuse Online

Finland

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

| Operational Goal: | Increase the number of identified victims in the International Child Sexual Exploitation images database (ICSE database) managed by INTERPOL by at least 10% yearly | |
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| Operational Goal: | 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 | |
| Actions ALREADY UNDERTAKEN | | |
| Description of the actions already undertaken | National Bureau of Investigation has been in close co-operation with Interpol in victim identification cases. Finland has the access to ICSE database. Finland has working procedures for criminalization and prosecution of offenders. | |
| Actions that WILL BE UNDERTAKEN | | |
| Description of the actions that will be undertaken and timeframe | Finnish NGO Save the Children will be providing data to ICSE as requested by NGO Inhope (GB). Efforts to improve the use of ICSE by the police forces in Finland will be done 2013-2014. The legislation will be updated in the beginning of 2014. There will still be some shortcomings in Finnish legislation concerning the investigation and prosecution of child exploitation. | |

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

| Operational Goal: | Improve the joint efforts of law enforcement authorities across Global Alliance countries to investigate and prosecute child sexual abuse online | | |
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| Operational Goal: | 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 | | |
| Actions ALREADY UNDERTAKEN | | | |
| Description of the actions already undertaken | Finland is participating in international operations usually conducted by Europol and Interpol. In some cases the Finnish legislation prevents operational actions. Investigators are participating in training courses provided by Europol. | | |
| | Actions that WILL BE UNDERTAKEN | | |
| Description of the actions that will be undertaken and timeframe | In the future we have to focus on darknet. Child exploitation and material is increasing rapidly in anonymous networks. More training and more co-operation with other countries will be necessary as well. | | |

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

| Operational Goal: | 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 | |
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| Actions ALREADY UNDERTAKEN | | |
| Description of the actions already undertaken | In Finland public awareness of the risks are increasing by the actions of NGOs and social media policing. | |
| Actions that WILL BE UNDERTAKEN | | |
| Description of the actions that will be undertaken and timeframe | | |

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

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| Operational Goal: | 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. | | |
| Operational Goal: | Increase the speed of notice and takedown procedures as much as possible without jeopardizing criminal investigation | | |
| Actions ALREADY UNDERTAKEN | | | |
| Description of the actions already undertaken | Internet filtering has been in force since 2009. It is optional for the ISPs. NGOs and hotlines provide us with information of sites containing illegal material. | | |
| | Actions that WILL BE UNDERTAKEN | | |
| Description of the actions that will be undertaken and timeframe | To improve the Internet filtering system and making it mandatory for the ISPs to use. To increase co-operation and information exchange with NGOs. | | |