

**CZECH REPUBLIC**

**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.

***A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country's 2013 report***

Based on international police cooperation, there were several perpetrators of online child sexual abuse identified.

***B) Please assess progress made in your country to pursue this shared policy target and to reach this operational goal of the Global Alliance***

The interest and awareness among professionals was raised in this field.

In 2013, Act No. 45/2013 Sb. on victims of crimes entered into force. This Act creates a complex modification of the legal protection of victims of crimes, expands the rights of victims and removes the deficiencies of existing implementation of the EU law that regulates the position of a victim within the criminal proceedings.

According to the provision of § 2 para. 4 point a) of the given law, a child shall be deemed as a particularly vulnerable victim; there are special rules given in the law, e. g. for the process of examination and questioning. The Act also provides for the granting of financial assistance to victims of crime, even in cross-border cases.

***C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up***

There will be more training in order to actively fill the Interpol database and therefore fasten the process of identification of victims in terms of international cooperation of

police authorities of Member States.

**Policy Target No. 2**

Enhancing efforts to investigate cases of child sexual abuse online and to identify and prosecute offenders.

**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.

***A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country's 2013 report***

Regarding the implementation of the EU Directive on combating the sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children and child pornography, several changes into the Czech Criminal Code were introduced (new offence of grooming, etc.).

Further information can be found at the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs website:

[www.mpsv.cz/files/clanky/14309/NSOPD.pdf](http://www.mpsv.cz/files/clanky/14309/NSOPD.pdf)

***B) Please assess progress made in your country to pursue this shared policy target and to reach this operational goal of the Global Alliance***

Compared to 2013, the anticipated improvement – shift in investigations - did not occur in 2014.

The interest and awareness among professionals was raised in this field.

***C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up***

The Czech Republic will adopt measures relevant to investigations that will be in progress during a particular period.

**Operational Goal:** Improve the joint efforts of law enforcement authorities across Global Alliance countries to investigate and prosecute child sexual abuse online.

**A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country's 2013 report**

The issue of crimes committed online and linked to organized criminal networks will be also a part of the National Strategy to Combat Organized Crime in the Czech Republic in the period of 2015 – 2017, which will be approved by the government by the end of this year.

**B) Please assess progress made in your country to pursue this shared policy target and to reach this operational goal of the Global Alliance**

The target is correct; however it is necessary to have more staff in order to fulfil it. We also acknowledge legislative changes, which assist the Police of the Czech Republic during the investigation of crimes committed on children.

**C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up**

The Czech Republic will adopt measures relevant to investigations that will be in progress during a particular period.

**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:** 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.

***A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country's 2013 report***

Also the Police of the Czech Republic contribute to both prevention and training activities regarding the given issue. Unfortunately, it takes time allotted for investigation and detection of crimes perpetrated on children. Public campaigns are mainly launched by relevant NGOs.

***B) Please assess progress made in your country to pursue this shared policy target and to reach this operational goal of the Global Alliance***

We see progress in preventative measures conducted by non-profit organizations not related only to this kind of crimes committed via the Internet.

In addition, we consider the active and rapid cooperation between investigating officers of given Member States as positive.

***C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up***

These activities are primarily dealt with by non-profit organizations, which may gain grants and funding that is dedicated for such activities.

These are mainly the preventative educational activities of children, parents and teaching staff.

**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.

**A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country's 2013 report**

The answer can be found at the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs website:

[www.mpsv.cz/files/clanky/14309/NSOPD.pdf](http://www.mpsv.cz/files/clanky/14309/NSOPD.pdf)

**B) Please assess progress made in your country to pursue this shared policy target and to reach this operational goal of the Global Alliance**

New legislation was introduced including cybergrooming.

**C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up**

Specific actions will be implemented in relation to the needs arising from investigation and prevention in the given field.

**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.

**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.

**A) *Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country's 2013 report***

With maximum efforts, the given task is being successfully managed and there is an ongoing cooperation with other non-governmental actors (NGOs and private companies).

**B) *Please assess progress made in your country to pursue this shared policy target and to reach this operational goal of the Global Alliance***

The progress is evident due to a close cooperation with the web providers.

**C) *Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up***

It is necessary to strengthen close cooperation with providers, operators and individual administrators as well as with non-profit organizations operating within the given field.

**Operational Goal:** Increase the speed of notice and takedown procedures as much as possible without jeopardizing criminal investigation.

**A) *Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country's 2013 report***

Information can be found at:  
[www.vlada.cz/scripts/file.php?id=61422](http://www.vlada.cz/scripts/file.php?id=61422)

***B) Please assess progress made in your country to pursue this shared policy target and to reach this operational goal of the Global Alliance***

There is a record of a moderate progress; however, it is still necessary to participate actively in the activities in order to reach the given goal.

***C) Please indicate specific actions that will be undertaken as a follow-up***

We will make efforts to follow new trends in relation to the criminal activity in this field.

With regard to prevention, we will actively cooperate with non-profit organizations in order to improve and increase effectiveness of relevant activities.