

**Global Alliance Against Child Sexual Abuse Online – 2014 Reporting Form**

**DENMARK**

**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***

Implementation of the actions listed in Denmark's 2013 report has progressed according to schedule and is still in progress.

Assistance, Support and protection

As mentioned in Denmark's 2013 report, the Danish Government has taken initiative to a new act with the purpose of strengthening the protection of children against abuse. With the act the Government has allocated DKK 268 million for the period 2013-2016 to protect children and young people from abuse. The act entered into force 1 October 2013.

One of the initiatives of the act is the establishment of five special "Children's Houses" covering all municipalities in Denmark. In these special houses social services, police, therapeutic services and health services are gathered to ensure that abused children get coordinated and professional help in a child-friendly environment.

The act also includes an initiative strengthening the knowledge of both children and professionals on the rights of children to be protected from abuse, and how to find help if a child is being abused. Campaigns and education activities are ongoing at the moment. Furthermore, a number of ongoing measures are taken to support and improve the efforts for the support and protection of abused children in the municipalities, who are responsible for helping abused children.

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

Victim identification

Denmark has contributed professionally and allocated the adequate resources to pursue the policy target, which has resulted in numerous cases, including in cooperation with a

wide range of other countries.

Assistance, Support and protection

Please see above.

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

Victim identification

Increased use of analysis-based tools and profiling.

Assistance, Support and protection

The National Board of Social Services and The Ministry of Children, Gender Equality, Integration and Social Affairs are closely following the activities mentioned above. The first preliminary follow up on the work of the specialized children's houses has already been initiated.

**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***

Drawing on an extensive report from the Standing Committee on Criminal Law submitted to the Minister of Justice in November 2012, an Act of Parliament was adopted in June 2013 with the purpose of modernising the provisions of the Criminal Code on sex crimes. The legislative amendments entered into force on 1 July 2013.

One of the legislative amendments concerned online sexual abuse of children. Specifically, the rules on restraining or protection orders against persons convicted of sexual offences were amended so as to introduce the possibility of prohibiting convicted sexual offenders from seeking to contact children online.

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**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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**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***

The initiatives mentioned in Denmark's 2013 report continues to exist and develop.

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

Save the Children Denmark runs the website [www.sikkerchat.dk](http://www.sikkerchat.dk) in a partnership with the Danish Crime Prevention Council. The website offers information and training materials about safe use of the internet, targeting teachers, children and young people and parents. In 2013, parents with children under the age of 7 have been included as a target group.

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

Save the Children Denmark will have a special focus on professionals working with vulnerable children and will strengthen their understanding of online victimization by the following efforts:

- 1) Educational days for professionals working in the five "Children's Houses".
- 2) Three seminars for other relevant professionals.
- 3) Publishing a book on IT-related sexual abuse and offences against children targeting professionals.

**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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In March 2014, Save the Children Denmark launched the report "Images in the Grey Area" based upon data collection from the hotline during 2013. The report highlights the abuse of children as objects of adults' sexual fantasies in "model-" or "posing"-images and gives a number of recommendations to different stakeholders. The issue of grooming and erotic images of children created an important debate in the national media. The report has been translated into English and used by other hotlines in the European hotline network. Download the report in English: <http://www.savethechildren.dk/Report-Child-Abuse.aspx?ID=435>

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

**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.

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Furthermore, Save the Children Denmark continues the efforts to reduce child abusive content online through an internet hotline service to the public. The hotline has existed since 2001 and receives around 300 reports every month. The hotline cooperates with the national police and exchanges information on illegal content with other members of the international organisation of hotlines INHOPE.

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Reaching out to local municipalities

Save the Children will run a campaign targeting human resource managers in the 98 local municipalities. The aim is to raise awareness about the hotline mentioned above and share instruction on how to proceed in the case of abuse of the workplace servers for distribution of child sexual abuse material. The campaign will also instruct municipalities on how to use the Netclean software to deal with potential abuse of their servers.

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

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This is handled in cooperation with Interpol.

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