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Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

"Parliaments united in combating sexual violence against children"

Programme

27th meeting of the Network of Contact Parliamentarians to stop sexual violence against children*

Theme:

“Sexual violence against children in the digital environment and other challenges”

Thursday, 1st December 2016, from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm
at the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)
Office of Research Innocenti, “Brunelleschi” meeting room
Piazza SS. Annunziata 12, 50122 Florence, Italy

Aims of the meeting

- Raising awareness of the importance of ratifying the “Lanzarote Convention”;
- Promoting Council of Europe standards and activities in the field of the fight against sexual abuse of children, with a special focus on protecting children in the digital environment, as set in the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2016-2021), including through enhanced parliamentary and international co-operation in this field;
- Providing substantial input to debates at international, European and national levels;
- Providing, through the Network of Contact Parliamentarians, a forum for exchange on the topic for parliamentarians and experts, including representatives of the host organisation UNICEF Office of Research Innocenti and international guests;
- Marking the end and the achievements of the Network of Contact Parliamentarians by giving visibility to its activities carried out over the past six years;
- On the occasion of the last meeting of the Network, adopting a declaration providing a road map for collective action in upcoming years based on the ONE in FIVE Campaign to stop sexual violence against children (2011-2015).

*The meeting is open to all.

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French, German, Italian, Turkish and Russian.

Programme

- 9 am** **Arrival and registration of participants**
- 9.30 am** **Opening** of the meeting by Ms Sílvia Eloísa Bonet, First Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development
- 9.35 am** **Update on the recent activities of the Council of Europe to stop sexual violence against children in the digital environment**
Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- 9.50 am** **Thematic introduction:**
- Ms Jasmina Byrne, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF Office of Research Innocenti
 - Ms Sevinj Fataliyeva, General Rapporteur on Children of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
 - Mr Johan van den Hout, Spokesperson on Children of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe
- 10.20 am** **Discussion**
- 11 am** *Coffee break*
- 11.30 am** **Identification of current trends in child sexual exploitation and abuse linked to the use of information and communication technologies**
- Mr Claude Janizzi, Chairperson of the Committee of the Parties to the Convention on the Protection of children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (Lanzarote Committee)
 - Ms Cécile Diot, Criminal Intelligence Officer, INTERPOL
 - Ms Jasmina Byrne, Child Protection Specialist, and Mr Daniel Kardefet Winther, Child Protection Consultant, UNICEF Office of Research Innocenti
- 12 noon** **Discussion**
- 12.55 pm** *Family photo*
- 1 pm** *Lunch*
- 2.30 pm** **Equipping and empowering children to prevent, stop and survive on-line sexual violence**
- Dr Elena Martellozzo, Criminologist; specialist in sex offenders' use of the internet and online child safety, Middlesex University of London, United Kingdom
 - Ms Elena Pompò, Senior Official of the Post and Communications Police of the Tuscany region, Italy
 - Ms Mechtild Maurer, General Director of ECPAT Germany
- 3 pm** **Discussion**

- 3.30 pm** **Roundtable: achievements of the Network, future challenges and adoption of a declaration**
- 4.25 pm** **Conclusions** by the First Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development
- 4.30 pm** **End of the meeting**

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