Side Event of the Global Ministerial Conference on Ending Violence Against Children

Strengthening System Responses to Technology-Facilitated Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

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Overview

Technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and abuse (TF-CSEA) is a rapidly evolving global challenge, requiring coordinated, evidence-based responses across governments, law enforcement, civil society and the technology sector. Emerging threats, including AI-generated child sexual abuse material (CSAM), sexual extortion and the misuse of digital technologies, are placing increasing demands on national and international child protection systems.

Despite progress, fragmented data, inconsistent reporting mechanisms, gaps in institutional capacity and limited interoperability between systems continue to hinder effective prevention, detection and response. Strengthening systems requires moving beyond isolated interventions towards sustainable, coordinated approaches that integrate public health, safeguarding, law enforcement and technological innovation.

Co-hosted by Childlight, IWF and INHOPE, this satellite event will bring together expertise in global research, online child protection, hotline operations and international law enforcement cooperation to explore how

evidence, partnerships and technology can strengthen responses to TF-CSEA.

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Session Objectives

1. **Strengthen systems approaches:** Explore the essential components of effective, sustainable national responses to TF-CSEA, grounded in a public health approach.
2. **Share emerging evidence:** Present new global data on TF-CSEA threats, systemic vulnerabilities and law enforcement capabilities to inform policy and practice.
3. **Showcase promising practices:** Highlight innovations and lessons learned in preventing, detecting, reporting and disrupting the spread of CSAM through multi-sector collaboration.
4. **Advance international cooperation:** Explore how shared digital infrastructure, standardisation, interoperability and responsible technological innovation can strengthen cross-border responses.
5. **Identify priorities for action:** Facilitate dialogue on practical steps governments, law enforcement, hotlines and technology companies can take to strengthen child protection systems.

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Speakers

- Paul Stanfield, Chief Executive Officer, Childlight
- Catherine Brown, Chair, Internet Watch Foundation
- Grete Raidma, Project and Policy Manager, INHOPE
- Hannah Swirsky, Head of Policy and Public Affairs, Internet Watch Foundation
- Kelvin Lay, Director, Childlight Technical Advisory Programme, Childlight
- Attorney Lawrence Aritao Director of Prosecution and Aftercare, International Justice Mission Center to End Online Sexual Exploitation of Children
- Minjeong Baek, Associate Expert, Global Programme on Cybercrime, Regional Office for Southeast Asia and the Pacific, United Nations on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
- Mark Beavan, Head of Prevention of Crimes Against Children Unit, INTERPOL
- General Maria Sheila T Portento, Chief of the Women and Children Protection Centre, Philippines

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