

Provision – Holding to account – European mechanisms

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Oversight and Regulatory Mechanisms -

Protecting children’s rights in the online world:
an overview of European Commission’s
initiatives

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Around half of all 11 to 16 year-olds in the EU had encountered one or more of ten frequent internet risks.⁽²⁾



20.4 billion connected things would be in use worldwide by 2020, compared to 8.4 billion at the end of 2017.



Yet **51%** of European citizens feel not at all or not well informed about cyber threats.⁽³⁾



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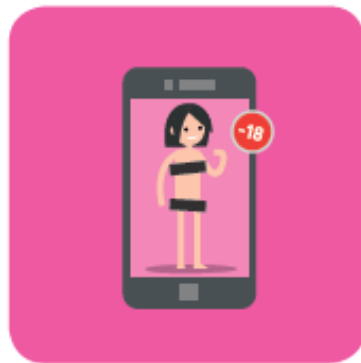
Fake News



Cyberbullying



Privacy concern
in connected toys



Sexting



Exposure to harmful or
disturbing content



Grooming

EU Strategy for a Better Internet for Children

1. Safer Internet Centres
2. Dialogue & Cooperation
3. Regulatory measures

1. Safer Internet Centres

- INSAFE Helplines
 - INHOPE Hotlines
 - #SaferInternet4EU campaign
 - Safer Internet Day (140 countries)
- } 11MIO EUR/year

#SaferInternet4EU

1. The #SaferInternet4EU Competition to reward high quality resources and inspiring initiatives on safer and better internet from organisations, teachers and youth. Over 600 entries were submitted, and more than 7000 people voted for their favourites! Check the winners on www.betterinternetforkids.eu

2. Two EU-wide online learning events for teachers:

MOOC with resources and activities on fake news, cyberbullying and radicalisation with participants from more than 65 countries

Online learning event on cyber-hygiene during Cyber Security month in 22 Member States

3. A network of Ambassadors promoting the #SaferInternet4EU campaign including MEPs, industry representatives, young people and experts on online safety and cyber-security.



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Better Internet for Kids



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POLICY

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RESOURCES

ONLINE SERVICES

SAFER INTERNET DAY

SAFERINTERNET4EU

POSITIVE CONTENT

BIK YOUTH



Positive Online Content Campaign

Positive Online Content Awareness Month: for a better digital childhood!

Positive content 30/08/2019 BIK Team

Children, parents and teachers across the continent are getting ready to kick off the new school year and what better way to transition from the summer holiday than the Positive Online Content Awareness Month?



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MediaSquad talks about finding information online (NL)

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Game Educator's Handbook 2 (FI)
Explore the resource

[See more resources](#)



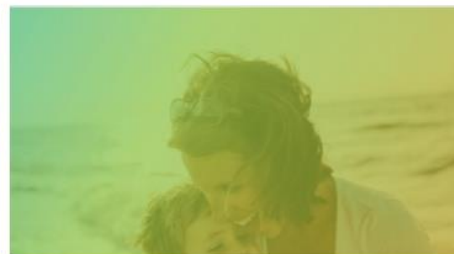
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A German website and app for kids from 6 to 12 year olds to enjoy safe online content.

[See more online services](#)



Positive Online Content - what do young people think?



Helping children to access positive online content – at home and in the classroom!

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20 Sep 2019

Week 3: Positive Online...

Online / All Day

The Positive Online Content Awareness Month runs throughout the whole of...

23 Sep 2019

Week 4: Positive Online...

Online / All Day

The Positive Online Content Awareness Month runs throughout the whole of...

2. Dialogue & Cooperation

- MS Expert Group
- Alliance to Better Protect Minors Online
 - wide range of stakeholders
 - statement of purpose + individual commitments
 - COM presence as clear strenght

3. Regulatory measures

- UNCRC + Charter: legal basis
- Child Sexual Abuse Directive
- Audiovisual Media Services Directive
- General Data Protection Regulation
- Soft law measures: countering illegal online hatespeech

Child Sexual Abuse Directive

- prompt removal of web pages containing CSA images
- block access
- awareness raising and prevention
- practical challenges in implementation, and disparities between MS

Audiovisual Media Services Directive

- 2018 update: reflect changes in audiovisual market (online)
- protection from harmful content
- new obligations for video-sharing platforms: age verification; parental control systems; content rating

General Data Protection Regulation

- designed to harmonise data privacy laws; directly applicable (25 May 2018)
- additional layer of protection for processing data of vulnerable persons
- Art 8 – consent vs parental authorisation
- Art 12 – information & communication

Digital Europe Programme (2021-2027)

Have your say!

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/have-your-say-future-investment-europes-digital-economy>





Thank you for your attention!

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