

SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN: WHAT WE KNOW

- ❖ About 1 out of 5 children in Europe are victims of some form of sexual violence.
- ❖ In 70% to 85% of cases, the abuser is somebody the child knows and trusts.
- Sexual violence against children can take many forms: sexual abuse within the family, child pornography and prostitution, corruption, solicitation via Internet and sexual assault by peers.
- Sexual violence against children exists in every country in Europe.







THE ONE IN FIVE CAMPAIGN TO STOP SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN

- Launch in Rome 29-30 November 2010
- Campaign goals:
- ❖ To achieve further signature, ratification and implementation of the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (Lanzarote Convention).
- ❖ To equip children, their families/carers and societies at large with the knowledge and tools to prevent and report sexual violence against children, thereby raising awareness of its extent.
- Duration of 4 years







THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AGAINST SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND SEXUAL ABUSE

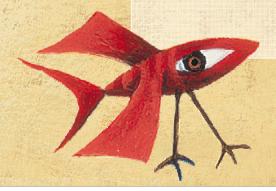
- ❖ A strong legal text to combat sexual violence against children
- The first universal convention to criminalise all forms of sexual violence against children
- ❖ It was opened for signature on 25 October 2007 and entered into force on 1 July 2010.
- The Convention is also open to accession by the European Union and by non European States.
- ❖ Monitoring mechanism: the first meeting of the Committee of the Parties to the Convention was convened on 21-22 September 2011 with state Parties and signatory states to the Convention.





3 CONVENTIONS TO STOP SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN

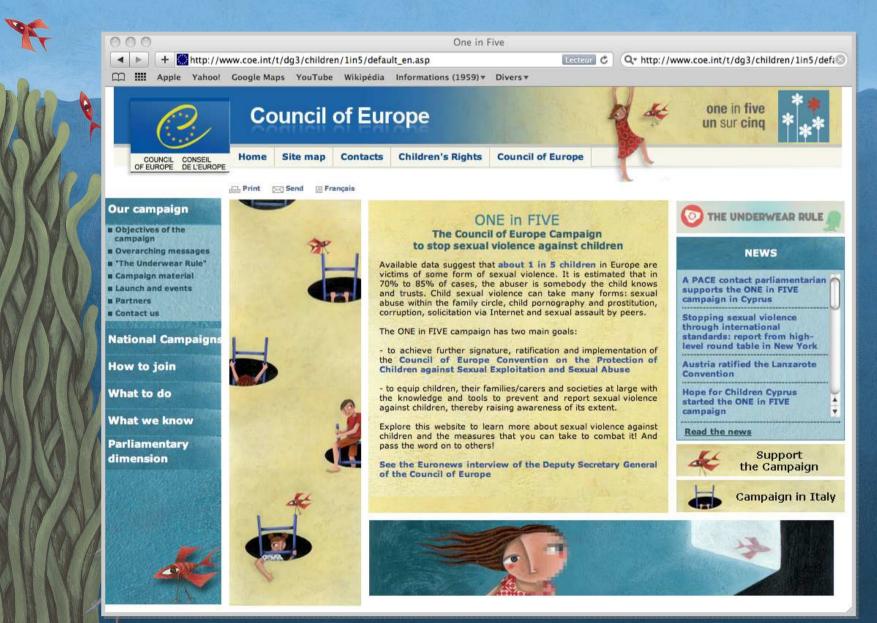
- Convention on the Protection of Children Against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (Lanzarote Convention)
- Convention on Action against Trafficking
- Cybercrime Convention

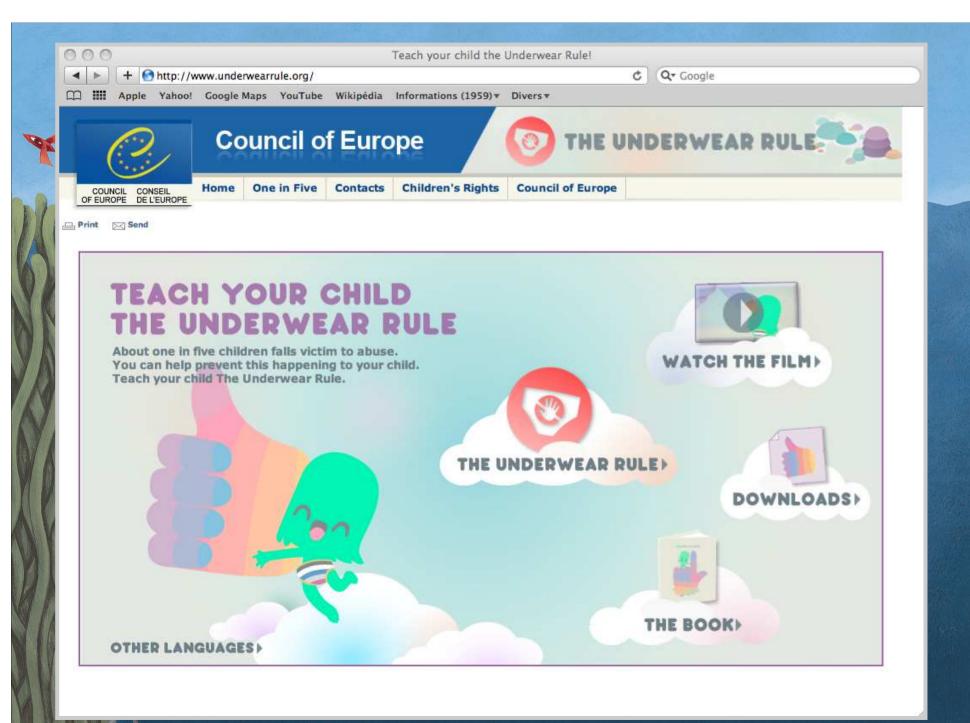






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The role of the SECRETARIAT of the Programme "Building a Europe for and with Children"

- The Secretariat for the Programme "Building Europe for and with Children" co-ordinates the Council of Europe ONE on FIVE Campaign to stop sexual violence against children.
- Intersecretariat Gampaign Working Group cybercrime, trafficking in human beings, disability, education, sports, health, Roma children etc







The key dimensions in the ONE in FIVE Campaign

Parliamentary dimension

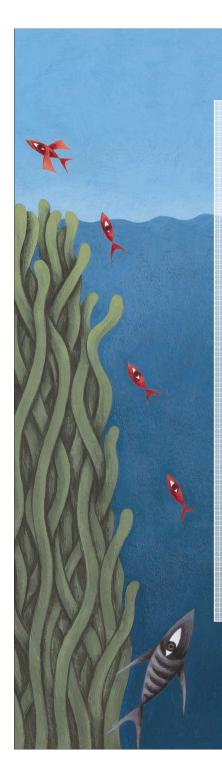
- ❖ A network of contact parliamentarians
- ❖ A Handbook for parliamentarians

The local and regional dimension

A strategic Action Plan for the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe







OUR Partners in the Campaign International Organisations

- Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General on Violence against Children
- UNICEF Regional Office for CEECIS and the national offices in the Council of Europe member states.
- European Economic and Social Committee (EU)







The ONE in FIVE Campaign SUCCESSES

- ❖ About 32 member states have on an official ministerial or ombudsperson's level expressed interest to address the targets of the campaign in 2011 and beyond
- Focal points of the Programme to facilitate national campaigns
- ❖ The Network of 40 Contact Parliamentarians mobilising at national level
- ❖ Today active campaigning in Azerbaijan, Cyprus, Italy, Greece, Mexico, Sweden at present...more to come in Armenia, Czech Republic, Croatia, Georgia, Spain, Monaco, Ukraine





Next plans in the Council of Europe ONE in FIVE Campaign

To continue the support to campaigning activities in the member states to enhance the further signature, ratification and effective implementation of the Lanzarote Convention

- by enhancing co-operation with the key responsible national authorities, Network of National Focal Points on Children's Rights, NGOs, INGOs and the EU
- by building more private and public partnerships, for example, in the media sector.







Next plans in the Council of Europe ONE in FIVE Campaign (continued)

- By facilitating the creation of a European wide children's and young people's network to enhance the aims of the campaign
 - empowerment of children in monitoring
- ❖ By being involved in planning and organising key regional and national seminars and events to promote the Lanzarote Convention
- ❖ By being inviting the high level decision-makers, opinion leaders and celebrities to join the campaign: La Biennale di Venezia (Venice Film Festival)







