

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 : an important potential for the Council of Europe and its member states







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.

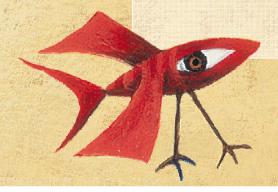






3 CONVENTIONS TO STOP SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN

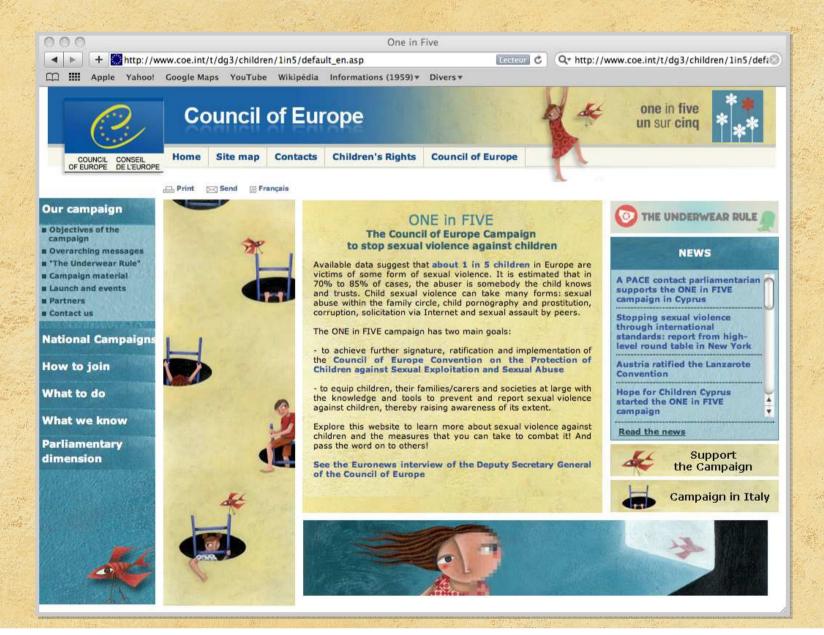
- Convention on the Protection of Children Against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (Lanzarote Convention)
- Convention on Action against Trafficking
- Cybercrime Convention

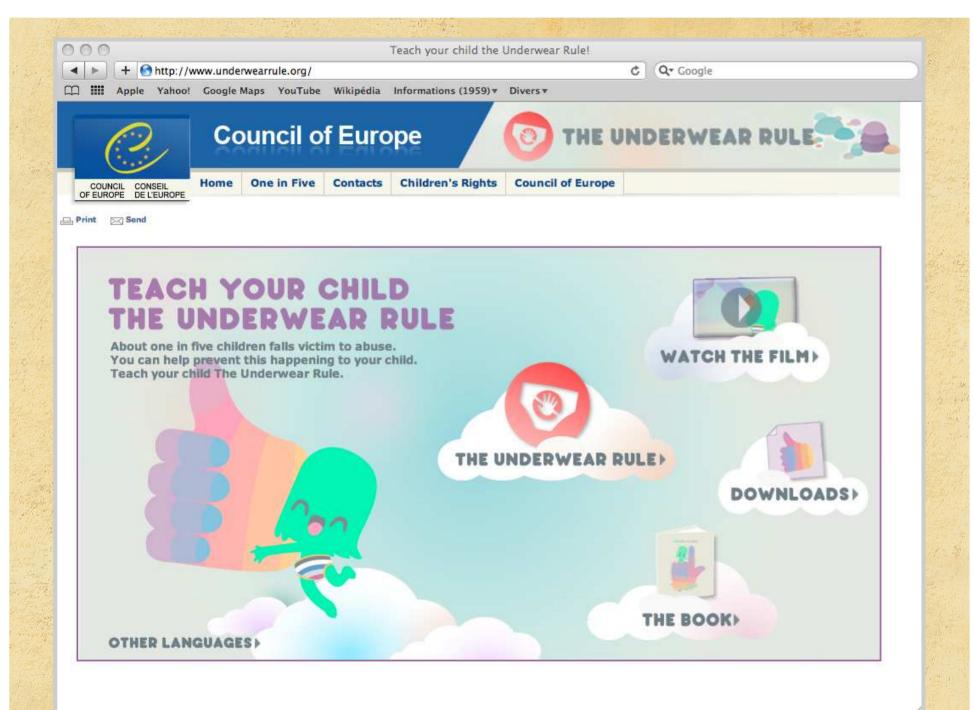






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Partners in the Campaign THE PARLIAMENTARY DIMENSION

The parliamentary dimension is aimed at

- associating national parliaments and parliamentarians with the campaign;
- promoting the signature, ratification and implementation of the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse
 - A Network of Parliamentarians
 - A Handbook for Parliamentarians







Partners in the Campaign

Congress of Local and Regional Authorities

- Important role for local and regional authorities in protecting and preventing sexual violence
- Pre-school
- Primary school
- Secondary school
- Child protection mechanisms







Partners in the Campaign

Member states

Network of National Focal Points on Children's Rights

Council of Europe

- Education sector
- Health sector
- Sports sector
- Media
- Legal co-operation
- **Experts** in the field of disability, Roma children etc.







OUR Partners in the Campaign International Organisations and NGOs

- UNICEF and COE offices in the member states
 - Translation, diffusion of campaign materials
 - Assisting member states in the campaign process
- Continue to build partnerships with international NGOs







THE ONE in FIVE CAMPAIGN SUCCESSES

- ❖ About **21 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 for the programme to facilitate national campaigns
- ❖ The Network of Contact Parliamentarians mobilising at national level
- ❖ Today active campaigning in Cyprus and Italy at present…and soon in Croatia and more ...





NEXT PLANS IN THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE ONE in FIVE CAMPAIGN TO STOP SEXUAL VIOLENCE

- ❖ A thematic focus on child abuse images on the Internet : cooperate with EU, UNICEF, COE committee's involved in this work.
- ❖ To continue the support for the various actors in the member states by assisting them in their campaign planning and attending to the various calls of interest
- ❖ To enhance co-operation with the key INGOs and NGOs
- ❖ To participate in the key seminars on different themes
- ❖ To build more private and public partnerships







