Protection of children from sexual abuse through ICT

Maximizing opportunites, minimizing risks...

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ICT and child abuse, where to look into...

content
contact
impact
behaviour
market

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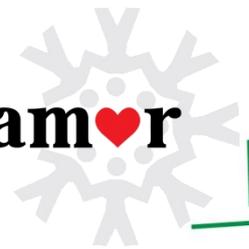
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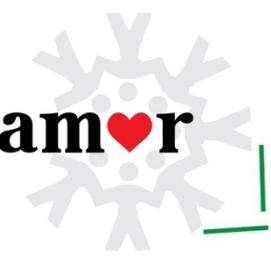
Niños y niñas de 10 a 12 años

84% posee celular

67% con Internet en el celular

Source: PANIAMOR,
IIP/UCR/MICITT/CONICIT.
Costa Rica, 2014.

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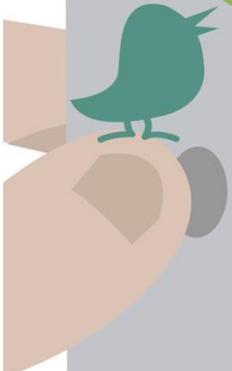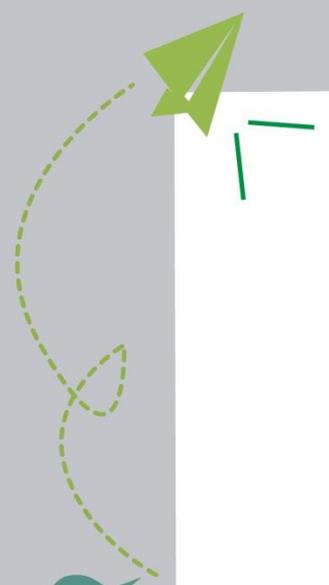
TO DO A GOOD JOB WE NEED
RETHINK OLD AND NEW PARADIGMS
MOBILIZE OLD AND NEW ALLIES
RESORT TO NEW FRAMEWORKS AND TACTICS

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OLD AND NEW PARADIGMS

**The traditional
risk-and-protective-factors
approach plus the
Theory of change approach**

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The parents' prime responsibility approach plus the social corresponsibility approach...

The Information & Communication Society paradigm plus the Digital Ecosystem paradigm...

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Safe Use

Responsible Use

Productivo Use
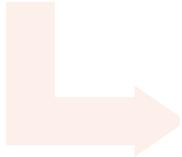
Empowering Use

...From the child as a vulnerable being to the child as a rightful citizen of the digital ecosystem!

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OLD AND NEW ALLIES

**children themselves
their parents
community mechanisms
State institutions
private sector
academia**

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A RESEARC-BASED OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR CHILD ABUSE AND VIOLENCE THROUGH ICT

... pointed at conditions that seem to increase the risk of child sexual abuse actually happening

... in general, –lack of information, isolation, powerlessness in the child and caregivers; lack of prompt, adequate action by State and society;

... in particular for ICT mediated abuse, – quality of use by the child, digital gap in the family, easier access and greater potential of anonimacy and impunity by the offender, multiple ways for all...

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TACTIC 1. ONLINE INFORMATION TO PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

"…set of values, learnings, resources and practices that parents and other child care givers may resort to in order to mediate the interactions of children and adolescents under their care, with DT…(Grillo, 2014)

TACTIC 2. MOBILE TECHNOLOGY TO EMPOWER CHILDREN SELF AND PEER PROTECTION

The Loves me, Loves me not App
prevention gender and date violence

**Promotes Knowledge, self-awareness and empowerment amongst adolescents, in a gender-sensitive, *cool* manner**

Confronts isolation through peer-to-peer support

Engages State action (Ministry of Women)

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TACTIC 3. ENGAGING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND CBO's FOSTERING PRODUCTIVE AND EMPOWERED USE...

"HAVE A SAYING!":
THE ONLINE YOUTH PARTICIPATION
MUNICIPAL PLATFORM

TACTIC 4. FOSTERING SOCIAL AWARENESS

All mobile operators in the country

subscribed an agreement with
the Ministry of Science, Technology
and Telecom, and PANIAMOR
to provide information and guidance
to their customers related to the
safe and responsible use of ICT where it
regards children, and the Crianza
Tecnologica Curriculum as a
recommended self-learning tool.

*Through their:
call centers,
sale points,
marketing ads*

Safe, child-friendly digital dropboxes

In the pipeline

al forms of violence and abuse within the circle of trust
school violence (bullying, gender violence, discrimination)
ciberbullying
violence affecting parents/caregivers

Confronts secrecy
Engages State action
(Ministry of Education – Child protection system – legal and administrative)

GLOBAL ALLIES

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SAVE THE CHILDREN
ITU/COP**

**Regional partner
RedNATIC**