MINISTRY OF ECONOMY AND INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

National policy on child online safety

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POLICY FRAMEWORK

- Law 30/2013 on the protection of children against the negative impact of information
- Government Decision 212/2017 for the approval of the Action Plan on promoting child online safety for the years 2017-2020
- Recommendations regarding the Internet content filtering service, provided by Internet service providers (Decision 15/2018 of the Board of Directors of ANRCETI)

LAW ON THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AGAINST THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF INFORMATION

- Types of information with negative impact on children
- Prohibition of the dissemination of information with negative impact on children
- Internet service providers offer end users the possibility to install applications that filter content from the Internet with a negative impact on children, and introduce in the main menu of their official web pages a compartment dedicated to information on Internet safety.

ACTION PLAN ON PROMOTING CHILD ONLINE SAFETY FOR THE YEARS 2017-2020

I. Reducing illegal content on the Internet and addressing negative behavior in the online environment

II. Promoting a more secure digital environment for children and adolescents by collaboration of all the parties involved

III. Awareness and information of the parties in direct contact with children about the risks of the online environment and recommendations on safety navigation on the internet

IV. Establishing statistics and promoting research on the online safety of children and adolescents

ACTION PLAN ON PROMOTING CHILD ONLINE SAFETY. KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Developed and functional portal <u>www.siguronline.md</u> (supported by "LA STRADA")
- Digital Education in primary school
- Modules regarding child online protection in all higher education institutions with pedagogical specialties
- Methodical instructions regarding the investigation of online sexual offenses committed against children - elaborated and applied in the investigation process
- Training of judges, prosecutors on the methods and tactics of investigating and prosecuting crimes
- Studies: "Child online safety", "How harmless is sexting among children?", etc.
- Reports on online crime investigations and on data regarding the Internet content filtering service

INFORMATION AND AWARENESS-RAISING ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS

- In order to promote child online safety, within Safer Internet Day, European Cybersecurity Month and other events are organized various awareness activities:
 - Workshops, meetings in universities, schools, libraries
 - Republican methodical meetings and conferences for Informatics teachers
 - The workshop "Safe Kids Online"
 - TV talk-show "The phone, a danger"
 - The campaign "Internet without worries"
- Internet providers introduced on their web pages a compartment dedicated to Internet security information. This information is also available in their shopping centers.
- Electronic courses on informing children and their parents about the risks of the online environment were disseminated
- Guides: "Instructions for Children", "Instructions for Parents"

RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE INTERNET CONTENT FILTERING SERVICE

- General information on the online safety of children
- Available filtering and parental control tools
- Possibilities to block access to certain content on the Internet
- Controlling and monitoring the use of mobile devices / computers and Internet access
- Online safety guides for children and parents

20 companies reported on creating a compartment on their webpages dedicated to child online protection

2019 - Lack of requests from the end users regarding the connection to the Internet content filtering services

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