

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND SAFETY IN NEW MEDIA

Friday, 31 October 2014

Filoxenia Conference Centre – Kyrenia Conference room

TIME: 09:00 – 16:00

The growing use of the social media and other information communication technologies (ICTs) has radically changed the way that teenagers and young people are communicating, networking, and sharing ideas and information. While new communication technologies and social media have revolutionized how girls and boys and young people interact with one another, its role in instigating and perpetuating gender based violence among young people has been underexplored. The absence of a robust evidence base in this area has hampered the development of policies and measures to prevent gender based violence and protect and support those affected.

The aim of the conference is to exchange knowledge and good practice in the field of gender-based-violence among young people, with a specific focus on the role of new technologies and social media. The conference will combine new evidence on gender-based violence and new media, as well as interventions to prevent such violence and empower young people to form healthy relationships and promote responsible behavior in the use of social media and ICTs.

Certificate of attendance will be available for pick up or will be mailed (upon request) for people who will attend the conference and the *parallel working sessions*.

The *Parallel Working Session 1- Effective Primary Prevention Strategies* and the *Parallel Session 2- Social Media and Cyber-safety Tips* will be held in Greek.

Greek/English interpretation will be provided.

Please register online [here](#) or contact us at +357 22842037 or at christina@medinstgenderstudies.org.

The conference is organized by the [Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies](#) in cooperation with [Cyberethics](#) within the framework of the projects [LOG IN: Laboratories on Gender Violence in New Media](#) and [Staying Safe Online: Gender and Safety on the Internet](#).

The conference is taking place under the auspices of the Ministry of Communication and Works and is co-financed by the Daphne III Programme of the European Union.

CONFERENCE AGENDA

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8:30- 9:00	Arrival and Registration of Participants	
9:00- 9:05	Welcoming Speech	Susana Pavlou, Director, Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies
9:05- 9:15	Opening Speeches	Leda Koursoumba, Commissioner for Children's Rights
9:15- 9:35	Key Note Speech	Gender Violence – Sexism and ICTs Barbara Buchegger M.Ed., Pedagogical Manager, Saferinternet.at
9:35- 11:00	Panel 1 – Research on Gender based Violence, ICTs and New Media <i>Objective: To share research results and best practice examples on the prevalence of GBV and New Media and effective prevention across Europe</i> Chair: Gogo Alexandrinou, Journalist	Staying Safe Online, Research Results in the Czech Republic, Poland and Cyprus Michaela Svatošová, Gender studies, Czech Republic STIR: Safeguarding Teenage Intimate Relationships: connecting online and offline contexts and risks Stalo Lesta, Research Associate, MIGS Q&A
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break	
11:20 – 12:45	Panel 2 – Combating Gender based Violence Online: Challenges and Recent Developments in Prevention and Support <i>Objective: to discuss the challenges when addressing the phenomenon, the actions required for effective prevention, protection, and prosecution on EU level.</i> Chair: Michaela Loizou, Journalist	Safer Internet Centre 'Cyberethics'; Providing Services to Victims of Online Gender – based-Violence Yiannis Laouris and Iliada Spyrou, Cyberethics Peer Education as a model to combat gender-based violence among adolescents Christina Kaili, Project Coordinator, LOG IN Project, MIGS Feminist Information Service, Helpline and Bookstore Anna Dryjańska, Feminoteka, Poland Q&A
12:45- 14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00- 16:00	Parallel Workshop 1: Effective Primary Prevention Strategies <i>Objective: to present the tools produced in the framework of the EC funded Daphne III projects "LOG IN" and "Staying Safe Online" to educators and teachers.</i> <i>*The session will take place in Greek</i> Facilitator: Iliada Spyrou, Cyberethics	Peer Education Manual: Gender Violence and Responsible Use Of Social Networks Zoi Kinikli, Trainer, Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies and Cyprus Family Planning Association Staying Safe Online Educator's Toolkit Christina Kaili, Project Coordinator, Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies

		<p>Pedagogical Suggestions and Exercises for Safety Online <i>Anastasia Economou, Head of Educational Technology Department, Cyprus Pedagogical Institute.</i> <i>Maria Constantinou, Partner, Educational Technology Department, Cyprus Pedagogical Institute.</i></p> <p><i>Discussion and Practical Exercises</i></p>
14:00- 16:00	<p>Parallel Workshop 2: Social Media and Cyber-safety Tips</p> <p><i>Objective: to present the main legislations in Cyprus and cyber-safety tips.</i> <i>*The session will take place in Greek</i></p> <p>Facilitator: Maria Angeli, Sociologist, Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies</p>	<p>Protection: The Legislative Framework in Cyprus <i>George Karkas, Cyber-crime Unit, Cyprus Police</i></p> <p>Social Media and Cyber-safety Tips <i>Alexis Michael, Information Security Manager & Cyber Security Course Director, Ledra College Nicosia</i></p> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>