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CYBERSAFE is a 2-year project funded by the European Union. Nine project partners in 8 European countries aim to develop, promote and disseminate innovative experiential as well as playful educational ICT tools that facilitate behavioural change among teenagers (12-18) on cyber violence against women and girls.

CYBERSAFE News

CYBERSAFE steering committee meeting takes place in Leiden



The second partner meeting took place on September 16-17, 2019, in Leiden, the Netherlands. The project partners meet every 6 months to work together on furthering the project. University of Ljubljana and University of Tartu discussed the framework of cyber violence against women and girls,

to prepare a report on the topic. ICDI - International Child Development Initiatives updated everyone on their work on the CYBERSAFE toolkit which will include the video game and educational guidelines for facilitators (teachers) to use. The partners were also able to test a prototype of the game, being developed by Serious Games Interactive. The WAVE Network presented on the project dissemination activities and the development of CYBERSAFE social media, which include Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and will see the participation of WAVE's Youth Ambassadors for the creation of YouTube videos. University of Tartu was also able to present and discuss about the evaluation plan and procedures to be taken in schools for evaluation of the Cybersafe toolkit. Σύνδεσμος Μελών Γυναικείων Σωματείων Union of Women Association (GR), Azienda Speciale Retesalute (IT), WSIC (EE) and Nexus_NI (UK) will be piloting the toolkit in schools in their respective countries!

Publication of report "Cyberviolence against Women & Girls"



The project partner University of Ljubljana published the report "Cyberviolence against Women & Girls". This publication is the final report of Work Package 2 of CYBERSAFE and presents a comprehensive overview of the topic of cyberviolence. Thanks to an accurate literature review, the

existing findings on the topic are presented, such as an analysis of the different forms of cyber violence and its contextualization, and the existing research and online tools to tackle it. The situation in the project's partner countries is also presented, as well as the results of the focus groups conducted in Estonia, Northern Ireland, Greece and Italy. The report also provides detailed information regarding the legal framework applied in cases of cyber violence, along with the target behaviours and objectives of the project.

CYBERSAFE website debuts

The Cybersafe project website has launched! If you want to learn more about the project partners and have access to the deliverables of the project, click on www.stoponlineviolence.eu. All outputs will be uploaded in English, Greek, Estonian, Italian, German, Dutch, Slovenian & Danish. The website will collect materials such as a report on cyber VAWG, the Educational Prevention Programme, the CYBERSAFE Toolkit, as well as an engaging serious game on cyber VAWG for teenagers. Moreover, pilot interventions will be held in learning settings in several of the project partners and a set of replication guidelines based on the interventions will be released too.

Presentation of Cybersafe at international conferences

WAVE Conference

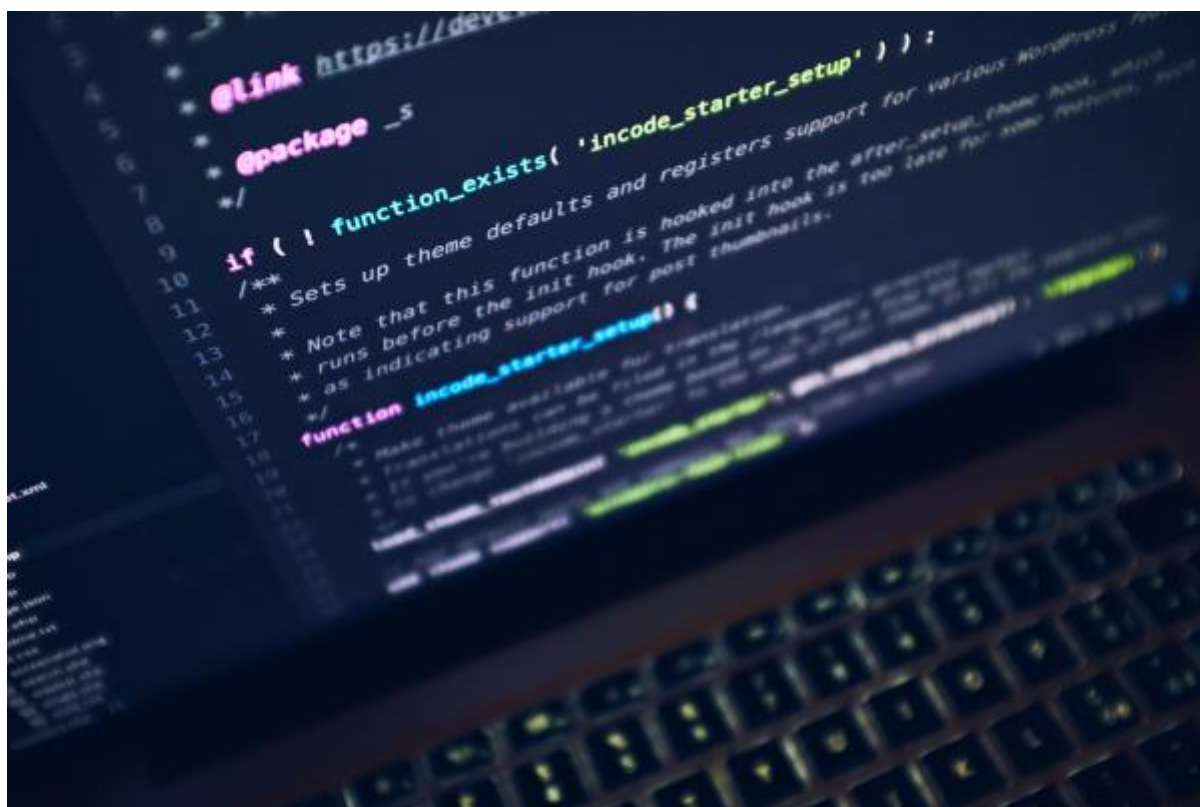
During the 21st WAVE Conference, held on October 7-9, 2019 in Tallinn, a workshop was held on the topic "Abuse accelerated: tackling cyber violence against women and girls". Nicholas M. Spetsidis, partner of Cybersafe from the Union of Women Associations of Heraklion Prefecture, Greece, introduced the Cybersafe project to the participants. He spoke about how to deal with cyber gender-based violence and contribute to a behaviour change among teenagers. One of the outcomes of the workshop's discussion was the necessity of educating children on the dangers on internet, and the Cybersafe project was welcomed as a useful tool to achieve this.

Final conference of Odklikni project, Slovenia The project partners from Σύνδεσμος Μελών Γυναικείων Σωματείων Union of Women Association and from Univerza v Ljubljani / University of Ljubljana participated to the final event of a project fighting online violence in Slovenia, Odklikni. Cybersafe was also presented during the event, and there are good premises for a collaboration between the two projects, to further implement Cybersafe and its outputs in Slovenia.

Presentation at the General Secretary of Gender Equality & Family Policy of the Hellenic

Government On the occasion of the Work With Perpetrators European Network (WWP EN) annual conference, which took place in Greece in November 2019, Cybersafe was presented to the General Secretary of Gender Equality & Family Policy of the Hellenic Government. The General Secretary expressed interest in the outcomes of the project and the willingness to replicate them at a national level in Greece.

Check out CYBERSAFE Social Media!



Thank you for signing up for the CYBERSAFE newsletter which is sent twice a year; once in May and in November. If you would like to get more frequent updates on what the partners are up to and what the project's outputs are, then please follow our social media accounts.

All project outputs are free of charge and will be downloadable in the 8 project languages: Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, German, Greek, Italian, and Slovenian.

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Introducing Project Partners



CYBERSAFE has 9 project partners from 8 European countries, working together on preventing cyber violence against women and girls. Below, two of those partners take the opportunity to introduce themselves.

WAVE - Women Against Violence Europe



The WAVE Network, established in 1994 as an informal network, is a legal entity since 2014 and a formal network NGO composed of European women's NGOs working in the field of combating violence against women and children. The WAVE Network aims to promote and strengthen the human rights of women and children in general and to prevent violence against women and children in particular. It aims at establishing gender equality by eliminating all forms of violence against women. WAVE is the only European network focusing solely on the elimination of violence against women and children and comprises women's organisations combating violence against women and children in Europe. This includes over 150 Members ([Network organizations](#), [Single organizations](#) [and individual members](#)) supported by WAVE, which work on the national level in 46 European countries.

Union of Women Associations of Heraklion Prefecture - UWAH



The Union of Women Associations of Heraklion Prefecture is a Greek NGO, operating since 2000 in Heraklion, Crete, that advocates for gender equality and women's rights on a national and European level, with a special focus on gender-based violence. In addition to organising numerous awareness raising events, they provide support services to victims of domestic abuse, such as a 24/7 emergency helpline, a shelter for abused women and their children and counselling services, where the women can receive psychological and legal support. The Union is a member of the European Networks Eurochild, Women Against Violence in Europe (WAVE) and Work With Perpetrators European

Network (WWP EN), as well as a partner in many European projects investigating all different aspects of gender violence. Visit their [Facebook page](#) and their [website](#)!

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