



Safer Internet Day 2011

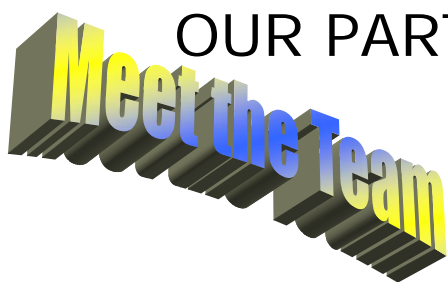


On February 8th, Safer Internet Day 2011, the Cyprus Safer Internet Center organized a conference in Nicosia to celebrate the day. The conference was under the auspices

of the Ministry of Education & Culture. There was a welcoming address from a representative of the Ministry of Education & Culture and from Mr. Aleco Alexandrou (Head of Internet Services, CYTA). First presenter at this event was Mrs. Anastasia Economou (Head of the Department of Educational Technology of the Cyprus Pedagogical Institute) and discussed about the relation parent – child together in the virtual world. Second presenter was Mrs. Alikí Freskou, Consultant/Psychologist for the “YpoSTIRIZO” Helpline of the Adolescent Health Unit, 2nd Dept. of Pediatrics, University of Athens P&A Kyriakou Children’s Hospital, that talked about Internet addiction. Following Mrs. Freskou, was Mr. Alex Christoforou (Managing Director, Wadja Media) that talked about Social Networking, Online Gaming and Virtual Lives. After the presentations followed a discussion between the students, parents, authorities, experts and members the audience, coordinated by Dr. Yiannis Laouris that led to a very interesting and productive discussion. During the conference specially prepared videos from other Safer Internet Centers in Europe were played to the audience giving out the feeling of an International event. As part of the SID 2010 events of Cyberethics, a lot of media and other public appearances were organized. Moreover, during the SID week we organized two fairs at the two biggest malls in Cyprus, in Nicosia and Limassol, with invited actors and politicians and other influential people to support the day. The two events were broadcasted live by CyBC national radio station.

Highlights

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| 07/02/2011 | TV appearance at CyBC: The morning show 7/10 hosted two of our representative to discuss the project its cause and the SID 2011 activities |
| 07/02/2011 | Presentation at English school :A presentation was given to the 4-6 th classes of English private school about the project and the SID events. |
| 07/02/2011 | TV show Syn plin’ hosted again our experts in a different discussion about Parents and their involvement with their children on the Internet. |
| 07/02/2011 | At the afternoon show with reporter Yianna Loizidou, our representatives discussed the project, the Helpline and Hotline while promoted the SID 2011 activities. |
| 08/02/2011 | Radio Show at Radio Proto :‘Proino dromologio’ announcement by reporter Despina Rousou about SID. |
| 10/02/2011 | Our representative participated in the Cybc radio show ‘Konta stous neous’ to discuss mainly about SID 2011 and the project. |
| 16/02/2011 | Presentation at Apostolos Markos Lyceum: Four of our representatives (Dr. Yiannis Laouris, Mrs. Iliada Spyrou, Mr. Markos Nikolettis and Mr. Dinos Georgiades) took part in this presentation and discussed about Internet dangers, new technologies and police Internet related statistics. Promotional materials were given as well. |
| 28/02/2011 | Cosmopolitan magazine article: The magazine has around 99.681 regular readers and it is the most popular women's magazine in Cyprus. The article is about cyberbullying and there are quotes from our Helpline Coordinator and Head of the Cyber crime unit of the police, our Helpline and project is promoted further in the article. |



OUR PARTNERS & Associated Partners

In this part of the issue we present one or two of our partners or associated partners.

The next issue will shift focus to another part of our team. Take a moment to familiarize yourself with our unique yet symbiotic missions. Our strength comes from our diversity and the rich history each of us bring to the collaboration.

FOCUS ON CPI SI Kit

The following actions took place by the CPI regarding the promotion of the educational safer internet content developed:

The content was organized in an educational packet consisting of: 2 posters, 2 small posters with guidelines, 5 booklets (with information on Internet opportunities, internet dangers, activities, good practices, and games), 1 comic book, and 1 game.

The content is hosted on the CPI website <http://www.pi.ac.cy/InternetSafety> so as all teachers can have access to it.

The content has been sent to all the schools with a circular for its use (see attachment) especially for the Safe Internet Day 2011.

The content has been sent to various stakeholders (house of representatives: education committee and the committee for the children rights, the Police: department of cybercrime, CYTA: cytanet, parents associations, universities etc).

The content is being presented to 100 school-based coaches for ICT in the learning process to promote it in schools and support teachers in using it.

The content has been presented to the working group for the new curriculum for ICT and is going to be part of their suggestions for the supportive material for the subject.

The content is being presented to all secondary education ICT teachers (about 250) after an invitation of the two ICT inspectors (4 presentations, one in each district).

The content is being used during a seminar that the CPI offers (4 groups of 20 teachers each, one in each district -Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaca, Paphos, 6 weekly meetings 3 hours each –started 2/3/2011 until 6/3/2011). The content will be presented to the parents associations (during March and April 2011).

FOCUS ON ALL

Throughout this period our consortium and Advisory Board has travelled and participated in many Insafe, EC and other planned conferences, trainings and events. On the 24th of September 2010 a member of the team participated in the Helpline Cluster session organized by Insafe and exchanged best practices in how to run and promote a Helpline.

In October (19-22), five members (two from CNTI, one from CYTA, one from World Vision and one from the Police) of the team took part in the Safer Internet Forum organized by the Commission every year as well as one member of our youth panel and his parent. All Cyprus representatives took active part in the Forum.

Between the 6th and 8th of December 2010 Insafe and the German Safer Internet Centre prepared the training meeting for both the Awareness Centres and Helplines in Berlin. On the 7th December there was the EU Kids Online/Klicksafe conference and/or the Insafe sessions for the ACs and Helplines. On Wednesday, 8th of December, there was different activities for the ACs and Helplines and on Thursday morning, 9 December, there was the Steering Committee meeting and in parallel a seminar for the Awareness Centres. Three members of our consortium participated in this training/meeting (Two from CNTI and one from PCCPWC).

Also during the 18th and 20th of December 2010 we hosted a Turkey NGO representative (trip funded by EC) and we had the chance to exchange best practices. During his two day visit we had the chance to promote the Cyberethics project while providing valuable information for the set up and running of an Awareness Center, a Hotline and the Helpline.

As members of the EUkids Online we participate in all official events/meetings/activities organized by the coordinators. The last network meeting took place in Ljubljana between the 27th and 29th of January 2011.



CyberEthics News

Helpline Coordinators Training

During the past 3 month an extensive training has been put into motion targeting educators, sociologists and psychologists in order to train them in taking over the Helpline operators position but also to promote safer internet in their settings. The presentations of the training are placed online. You can find them at: <http://www.cyberethics.info/cyethics2/page.php?pageID=172&mpath=/217/232>.

Titles of presentations are as follows:

1. Helpline Rules (12/01/2011)
2. Other Internet Related projects (InetRisks) (12/01/2011)
3. Cyberethics general project presentation (short) (19/01/2011)
4. Basic IT (19/01/2011)
5. Online Dangers (26/01/2011)
6. Social Networking & Cyberbullying (26/01/2011)
7. Self Harm Websites (26/01/2011)
8. Internet Addiction (26/01/2011)
9. Online dangers (part 2) (02/02/2011)
10. Cyber Crime Unit Presentation (16/02/2011)
11. Legislation & Cyber crime (16/02/2011)
12. Basic Operators Skills (23/02/2011)
13. Internet and Parenting (02/03/2011)

Also the Helpline promotes its cause and ways of accessing it through its special section of the website as well as through promotional materials like calendars for the new year and notepads (more promotional materials coming soon). The Helpline promotes its cause also through special events like the carnival dance that had the theme 'Dress Internet Like' putting the participants to think about ways that they can dress to look like a 'virus' or a 'fake profile', etc. Many competitions are also put into place in order to make youth think creatively about the safer internet issues like a Safer Internet Center architecture/interior design or a poster contest with graphics university students.

Safer Internet Helpline

The Helpline has been officially fully operational since the 6th of July, 2009. A trilingual website has also been developed and was completed in May, 2009; however a series of upgrades ensued in order to provide better quality information and services. The website is currently in its final form.



A series of training sessions were run in April and May in order to ensure that the operators were fully familiar with their duties and the guidelines that they would have to follow when operating the Helpline. One operator also participated in a two-day training conference in Warsaw, Poland, and acquired further knowledge regarding the activities and methods of other European Helplines.

As of November 2009, the Helpline now offers the capability for the public to communicate with the operators (between 8pm-9pm) by phone and via a chat widget on the Helpline's homepage. This was implemented after being informed during past conferences that the majority of Helpline reports and counseling actually take place through forums and chat applications as opposed to the telephone.

The Helpline currently operates **7 days a week** and is operated by a team of 6 specialists.

The Helpline's number is **7000 0116**. A complementary trilingual website has been designed and is online at the URL www.helpline.cyberethics.info.

European News

The RISER project

The Registry Information Service on European Residents (RISER) project offers a central online service that enables companies to request and verify address information throughout Europe in a simple and cost-effective way. On 17 February 2011 the trans-European address verification service RISER was awarded the European Privacy Seal (EuroPriSe) for the implementation of exemplary data protection and data security measures. RISER customers can be sure that their data will be treated confidentially and in line with the national and European data protection regulations. The service is operating as an interface between customers and suppliers, by offering uniform access for the customer and managing the multiple relations to the suppliers (population registers) at a central junction. The European Privacy Seal focuses on data protection and privacy. It evaluates against the demanding requirements set by the European Data Protection regulations. The EuroPriSe certificate was awarded after successful evaluation of the service by an independent expert and a validation of the evaluation by an impartial certification body (www.european-privacy-seal.eu).

Read more here: <http://www.riserid.eu/home/>



Call at 7000 0116 for help
www.helpline.cyberethics.info.

European News

More EU citizens benefitting from online public services

More people across the EU now have access to public services online, according to Europe's 9th e-Government Benchmark Report released today. The average availability of online public services in the EU went up from 69% to 82% from 2009 to 2010. Putting more Government services online helps cut costs for public administrations and also reduces red tape for businesses and citizens. The report reveals the best and worst performers in the EU, focusing on two essential public services: 'finding a job' and 'starting a company'.

Although Europe's national public administrations are moving in the right direction, there is still disparity between countries. There is also room for improvement in take up of eProcurement. As part of the Digital Agenda for Europe, the European Union aims for one out of two citizens and four out of five businesses to be using eGovernment services by 2015 (see [IP/10/581](#), [MEMO/10/199](#) and [MEMO/10/200](#)). The Report's findings give useful feedback on the objectives of the an eGovernment Action Plan launched by the Commission in December 2010 to work with Member States' public authorities to expand and improve the services which they offer via the Internet (see [IP/10/1718](#) and [MEMO/10/681](#)).

Read more here:

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=6537

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www.cyberethics.info







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|  <p>Pancyprian Coordinating Committee for the Protection & Welfare of Children was formed in 1994 by the District Committees working on children's issues since 1979, with the aim to coordinate all district and national activities.</p> |  <p>safer internet cyberethics</p> |  <p>C.N.T.I., Cyprus Institute Established in 1992 by a team of repatriated Cypriot scientists, the Cyprus Neuroscience & Technology Institute has a future-oriented ideology. It conducts projects in areas related to the human brain and learning, technology and social change, global society, conflict transformation and global peace.</p> |

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