

EUROPEAN COALITION AGAINST CYBER-VIOLENCE

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WHO WE ARE

The **European Coalition Against Cyber-Violence unites nine organisations across France, Belgium, Cyprus, Portugal, Ireland and Sweden.** Together, we work to expose and confront cyber-violence as a structural continuation of offline inequality and systemic violence against women, girls and children.

Across Europe, digital spaces are becoming increasingly hostile environments. Non-consensual sharing of intimate images, online sexual harassment, coordinated hate campaigns, AI-generated sexual violence material, online grooming, child sexualisation, and masculinist hate speech are not isolated incidents, they reflect a **systemic pattern of gendered harm that demands urgent, coordinated action**.

Cyber-violence crosses borders effortlessly. Our response must do the same. As a transnational coalition, we work to strengthen protections, push for coordinated action, and ensure that digital rights and safety are upheld for all.

What is illegal offline must also be illegal online.

OUR MISSION

Our coalition brings together European civil society organisations, experts and advocates to combat online sexist and sexual violence through coordinated, cross-border action. We aim to build a shared space where CSOs, victims' rights organisations, researchers and technological partners can join forces, exchange knowledge and develop collective solutions. We work to strengthen the protection and rights of victims, hold digital platforms and technology companies accountable, and advance ambitious, harmonised European policies and laws. Grounded in research and survivor-centred approaches, our mission is to ensure **a safer digital environment that upholds human dignity and fundamental rights for all.**



Online sexual exploitation: challenges and responses in Europe Symposium, Strasbourg, France

A KEY MOMENT FOR ACTION

105 MILLION

child sexual abuse images reported in 2023 (NCMEC, 2024)

1 IN 2 WOMEN

has experienced cyberviolence in Europe (European Parliament, 2021)

1 IN 3

victims are minors (Grande enquête sur les cyberviolences sexistes et sexuelles, 2026)

52%

of the victims experience cyberviolence in the context of romantic/intimate relationships (Grande enquête sur les cyberviolences sexistes et sexuelles, 2026)

85%

of the identified perpetrators are men or boys (Grande enquête sur les cyberviolences sexistes et sexuelles, 2026)

82%

of the respondents experiencing gender-based or sexual cyberviolence are women (Grande enquête sur les cyberviolences sexistes et sexuelles, 2026)

The scale of the problem is unprecedented: this is a **systemic crisis** that demands **coordinated, cross-border action**.

The policy landscape at EU level is rapidly evolving. Through instruments such as the Digital Services Act, the Directive on combating violence against women and domestic violence, the AI Act, and ongoing initiatives on child protection and online safety, the European Union is recognising cyber-violence as a challenge requiring coordinated regulation and enforcement. This creates a crucial window of opportunity: **EU institutions are now shaping the standards that will determine platform accountability, victims' rights, and the protection of women and girls in digital spaces across all Member States.**

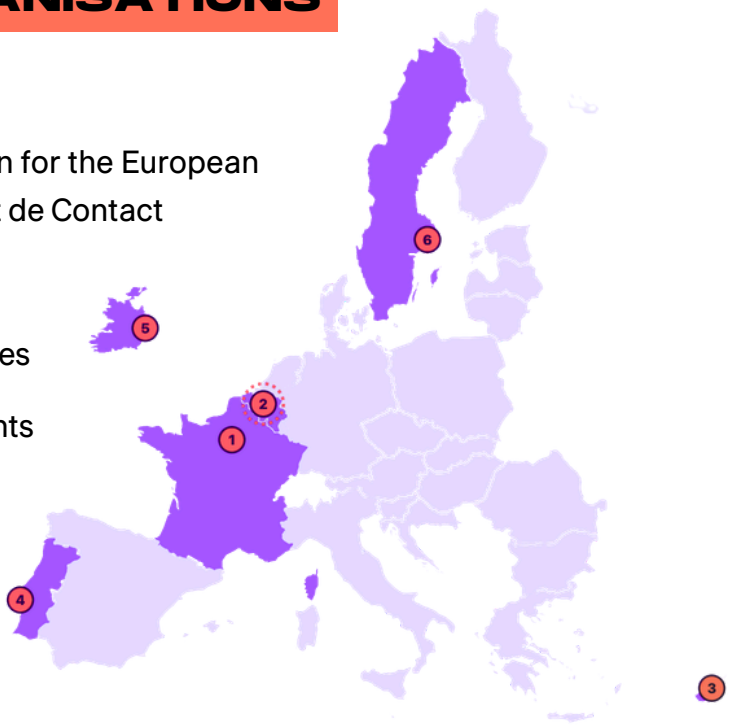
SUPPORT US

Ending online violence requires collective action. You can support our coalition by joining our network, sharing expertise, contributing data and research, or partnering with us to develop innovative solutions. We welcome collaboration with civil society organisations, victims' rights groups, researchers, legal experts, and technology actors committed to building a safer digital space.

You can also support our work by amplifying our advocacy, engaging with policymakers, and helping bring the voices of victimes to the forefront of European debates. Together, we can strengthen accountability, drive legislative change, and ensure that digital environments respect fundamental rights and human dignity.

MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

1. **France**: Osez le Féminisme, French Coordination for the European Women's Lobby, Fondation pour l'Enfance, Point de Contact
2. **Belgium/EU-wide**: European Women's Lobby
3. **Cyprus**: Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies
4. **Portugal**: Portuguese Platform for Women's Rights
5. **Ireland**: Sexual Exploitation Research Institute
6. **Sweden**: Swedish Women's Lobby



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