


Basic information	
<p><b>2022/0155(COD)</b></p> <p>COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Regulation</p>	Awaiting Parliament's position in 1st reading
<p>Combating child sexual abuse online</p> <p><b>Subject</b></p> <p>3.30.25 International information networks and society, internet 4.10.03 Child protection, children's rights 7.30.30.02 Action to combat violence, trafficking in human beings and migrant smuggling 7.40.04 Judicial cooperation in criminal matters</p> <p><b>Legislative priorities</b></p> <p><a href="#">Joint Declaration 2022</a> <a href="#">Joint Declaration 2023-24</a></p>	

Key players				
European Parliament	<b>Committee responsible</b>		<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">LIBE</span>	Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	ZARZALEJOS Javier (EPP)	12/09/2024
			<b>Shadow rapporteur</b> AGIUS SALIBA Alex (S&D) TÂNGER CORRÊA António (PFE) WINIEWSKA Jadwiga (ECR) VAUTMANS Hilde (Renew) GREGOROVÁ Markéta (Greens/EFA) SERRA SÁNCHEZ Isabel (The Left)	
	<b>Former committee responsible</b>		<b>Former rapporteur</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">LIBE</span>	Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	ZARZALEJOS Javier (EPP)	10/10/2022
	<b>Committee for opinion</b>		<b>Rapporteur for opinion</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">IMCO</span>	Internal Market and Consumer Protection (Associated committee)	AGIUS SALIBA Alex (S&D)	30/10/2024
	<b>Former committee for opinion</b>		<b>Former rapporteur for opinion</b>	<b>Appointed</b>

	<b>BUDG</b> Budgets	HERBST Niclas (EPP)	21/06/2022
	<b>IMCO</b> Internal Market and Consumer Protection (Associated committee)	AGIUS SALIBA Alex (S&D)	05/07/2022
	<b>CULT</b> Culture and Education	KIZILYÜREK Niyazi (The Left)	24/06/2022
	<b>FEMM</b> Women's Rights and Gender Equality	FRITZON Helène (S&D)	13/12/2022
Council of the European Union			
European Commission	<b>Commission DG</b>	<b>Commissioner</b>	
	Migration and Home Affairs	JOHANSSON Ylva	
European Economic and Social Committee			

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
11/05/2022	Legislative proposal published	COM(2022)0209 	Summary
12/09/2022	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
16/02/2023	Referral to associated committees announced in Parliament		
14/11/2023	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
14/11/2023	Committee decision to open interinstitutional negotiations with report adopted in committee		
16/11/2023	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A9-0364/2023	Summary
20/11/2023	Committee decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations announced in plenary (Rule 71)		
22/11/2023	Committee decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations confirmed by plenary (Rule 71)		
13/11/2024	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		

Technical information	
<b>Procedure reference</b>	2022/0155(COD)
<b>Procedure type</b>	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
<b>Procedure subtype</b>	Legislation
<b>Legislative instrument</b>	Regulation
<b>Legal basis</b>	Rules of Procedure EP 57_o Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 114
<b>Other legal basis</b>	Rules of Procedure EP 165
<b>Mandatory consultation of other institutions</b>	European Economic and Social Committee





<b>Stage reached in procedure</b>	Awaiting Parliament's position in 1st reading
<b>Committee dossier</b>	LIBE/10/00194

### Documentation gateway

#### European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A9-0364/2023</a>	16/11/2023	<a href="#">Summary</a>

#### European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a> 	11/05/2022	<a href="#">Summary</a>
Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">SEC(2022)0209</a> 	12/05/2022	
Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">SWD(2022)0209</a> 	12/05/2022	
Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">SWD(2022)0210</a> 	12/05/2022	

#### National parliaments

Document type	Parliament/Chamber	Reference	Date	Summary
Contribution	<a href="#">CZ_CHAMBER</a>	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a>	12/09/2022	
Contribution	<a href="#">ES_PARLIAMENT</a>	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a>	06/10/2022	
Contribution	<a href="#">NL_SENATE</a>	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a>	15/11/2022	
Contribution	<a href="#">FR_SENATE</a>	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a>	22/02/2023	
Contribution	<a href="#">IE_HOUSES-OF-OIREACHTAS</a>	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a>	30/03/2023	
Contribution	<a href="#">NL_SENATE</a>	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a>	15/05/2023	
Contribution	<a href="#">PT_PARLIAMENT</a>	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a>	18/07/2023	
Contribution	<a href="#">FR_ASSEMBLY</a>	<a href="#">COM(2022)0209</a>	24/10/2023	

### Additional information

Source	Document	Date
EP Research Service	<a href="#">Briefing</a>	19/11/2024

## Meetings with interest representatives published in line with the Rules of Procedure

### Rapporteurs, Shadow Rapporteurs and Committee Chairs

Name	Role	Committee	Date	Interest representatives
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	29/01/2025	Samsung Electronics Europe
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	16/01/2025	META
GREGOROVÁ Markéta	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	20/11/2024	Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries
GREGOROVÁ Markéta	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	15/11/2024	GSM Association (GSMA)
GREGOROVÁ Markéta	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	06/11/2024	Google Youtube
GREGOROVÁ Markéta	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	15/10/2024	Stichting ECPAT International
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	24/09/2024	Microsoft Corporation
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	18/09/2024	European Federation for Missing and Sexually Exploited Children (Missing Children Europe)
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	17/09/2024	Google
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	12/09/2024	Match Group
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	11/09/2024	Asociación Española de Videojuegos (AEVI)
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	10/06/2024	Centre for Democracy & Technology, Europe
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	04/04/2024	UN Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	03/04/2024	The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	03/04/2024	International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	03/04/2024	Safe Online
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	03/04/2024	UNICEF
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	03/04/2024	Ella Jakubowska, EDRI - TBC Brian Donnelly, EDRI Sharon Polsky, PACC - TBC Silvia Lorenzo Perez, CDT Alexander Hanff, Hanff & Co. Monica Horten, IPtegrity Hannes Stummer, Epicenter.works Susan Landau, academic at Tufts University Bart Preneel, BE academic, Leuven university Carmela Troncoso, academic at the École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL) Irene, Xnet Marko Hölbl, University of Maribor Maja Cimerman, Slovenian NGO danesjenovdan
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TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	15/03/2024	Film and Publication Board (FPB)
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	07/03/2024	Stichting Defence for Children International Nederland -ECPAT Nederland
	Shadow			Microsoft

TANG Paul	rapporteur	LIBE	28/02/2024	UNICEF
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	15/01/2024	Cabinet member of Petra De Sutter (Belgian telecoms minister)
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	09/01/2024	Video Games Europe Asociación Española de Videojuegos (AEVI)
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	08/01/2024	Tijana Popovic (Childfocus)
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	05/12/2023	Apple Inc. Cloudflare Microsoft Corporation Terre des Hommes International Federation Vulcan Consulting Limited Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA) Keshet Law CCIA Europe Wilfred Martens Center KU Leuven App Developers Alliance
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	29/11/2023	GSMA Europe
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	16/11/2023	5Rights Foundation Snap, Inc. TikTok Technology Ltd Twitter International Unlimited Company
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	09/11/2023	International Justice Mission SafeToNet
VANA Monika	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	06/11/2023	ECPAT Österreich-Arbeitsgemeinschaft zum Schutz der Rechte der Kinder vor sexueller Ausbeutung
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/10/2023	Alexander Hanff Arda Gerkens Christina Kempf, MdB Wegge David Frautschy isoc Ella Jakubowska (edri) Erika Gutmane CEPIS Kai Dittmann GFF Luca Tosoni Datatilsynet Michela Palladino, Meta Romain Digneaux, Proton Sharon Polsky MAPP Stefanie Terkildsen Susan Landau (privacyink) Teresa Quintel, Maastricht University
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/10/2023	Sabine Witting Konstantin Macher, Digitalcourage Joachim Türk, Kinderschutzbund Jürgen Bering GFF Sebastian Meinecke Tom Jennissen
FRITZON Helène	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	20/10/2023	ChildX
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	17/10/2023	European Digital Rights
FRITZON Helène	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	02/10/2023	ChildX
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/09/2023	DOT Europe Google
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/09/2023	Electronic Frontier Foundation European Digital Rights
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	25/09/2023	Signal Foundation
FRITZON Helène	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	20/09/2023	Unicef

ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	19/09/2023	Brave Movement fapmi-ECPAT
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	12/09/2023	Dropbox
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	12/07/2023	Amazon Europe Core SARL
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	11/07/2023	Google
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	05/07/2023	SIDN fonds Yivi Tilburg University
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	27/06/2023	Google
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	08/06/2023	ENISA
LÓPEZ AGUILAR Juan Fernando	Committee chair	LIBE	30/05/2023	Thorn
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	25/05/2023	Electronic Frontier Foundation
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	24/05/2023	Stichting Defence for Children International Nederland -ECPAT Nederland
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	10/05/2023	International Justice Mission Phillipine Survivor Network
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	09/05/2023	European Digital Rights EOKM Cambridge University
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	05/05/2023	Stichting Bits of Freedom
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	04/05/2023	Dropbox
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	04/05/2023	INHOPE - International Association of Internet Hotlines Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries eco - Verband der Internetwirtschaft Belgian Federal Police
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	04/05/2023	Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries
FRITZON Helène	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	04/05/2023	ECPAT Sverige
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	03/05/2023	Proton AG
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	03/05/2023	Internet Society
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	27/04/2023	Discord Inc.
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	27/04/2023	Bitkom e.V. DIGITALEUROPE Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries North Rhine-Westphalian Central Cybercrime Department Fraunhofer SIT
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	27/04/2023	European Digital Rights
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/04/2023	Chaos Computer Club e.V. Thorn Politico
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	25/04/2023	Discord Inc.
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	25/04/2023	Interpol

VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	25/04/2023	Brave Movement France, OCRVP, ECPAT International
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	24/04/2023	North Rhine-Westphalian Central Cybercrime Department (ZAC-NRW) Expertisecentrum Online Kindermisbruik (EOKM)
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	24/04/2023	ECPAT Deutschland e.V.
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	11/04/2023	Centre for Democracy & Technology, Europe
RINZEMA Catharina	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	28/03/2023	Eurochild AISBL
GEESE Alexandra	Shadow rapporteur	BUDG	28/03/2023	European Digital Rights Expertisebureau Online Kindermisbruik Brandenburg State Police University Unicef cybercrime unit in North Rhine Westphalia Mogis e.V.
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	23/03/2023	Roblox Corporation
RINZEMA Catharina	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	23/03/2023	John O'Brien, Secretary to the Independent Inquiry on Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA).
GEESE Alexandra	Shadow rapporteur	BUDG	23/03/2023	Innocence in Danger
GEESE Alexandra	Shadow rapporteur	BUDG	22/03/2023	Kinderschutzbund
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	21/03/2023	EOKM IWF Canadian Centre for Child Protection
FRITZON Helène	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	21/03/2023	Thorn
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	20/03/2023	thorn
RINZEMA Catharina	Rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	20/03/2023	Thorn
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	20/03/2023	Thorn
GEESE Alexandra	Shadow rapporteur	BUDG	16/03/2023	MoGiS Verein
AGIUS SALIBA Alex	Rapporteur	IMCO	14/03/2023	European Data Protection Supervisor
ERNST Cornelia	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	09/03/2023	Mogli e.V.
FRITZON Helène	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	09/03/2023	Internet Watch Foundation
FRITZON Helène	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	09/03/2023	Match Group
FRITZON Helène	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	09/03/2023	Meta
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	CULT	08/03/2023	Access Now Europe Bruegel European Digital Rights Expertisebureau Online Kindermisbruik Internet Society Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries Thorn
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	08/03/2023	Access Now Europe Bruegel European Digital Rights Expertisebureau Online Kindermisbruik Internet Society

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TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	07/03/2023	MOGiS e.V Associazione Meter The Brave Movement
KONENÁ Kateina	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	06/03/2023	European Digital Rights
FRITZON Heléne	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	06/03/2023	ECPAT Sverige
GEESE Alexandra	Shadow rapporteur	BUDG	01/03/2023	Expertisebureau Online Kindermisbruik Projekt PARAFILIK Think Privacy
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	28/02/2023	European Digital Rights Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA) United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children
FRITZON Heléne	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	27/02/2023	TikTok Technology Ltd
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	24/02/2023	Europol
RINZEMA Catharina	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	23/02/2023	Thorn
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	15/02/2023	Video Games Europe
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	15/02/2023	Terre des Hommes International Federation
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	15/02/2023	Snap, Inc. eco - Verband der Internetwirtschaft EOKM Leiden University Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam euroispa AMS-IX
RINZEMA Catharina	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	15/02/2023	Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries
AGIUS SALIBA Alex	Rapporteur	IMCO	15/02/2023	European Parliament Intergroup on Children's Rights
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	08/02/2023	Discord Inc. Internet Watch Foundation Thorn
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	07/02/2023	NCMEC
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	07/02/2023	Google Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries (f/k/a Facebook Ireland Limited) National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC)
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	07/02/2023	Discord Inc.
FRITZON Heléne	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	07/02/2023	NCMEC
FRITZON Heléne	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	02/02/2023	INHOPE
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	02/02/2023	Fundación Aprender a Mirar
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	01/02/2023	INHOPE - International Association of Internet Hotlines
RINZEMA	Shadow rapporteur	IMCO	31/01/2023	Google



Catharina	for opinion			
KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	31/01/2023	EUROPE's video games industry
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	30/01/2023	European Digital Rights eco - Verband der Internetwirtschaft
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	27/01/2023	Dutch National Police
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/01/2023	Chaos Computer Club e.V.
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	24/01/2023	Snap, Inc.
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	24/01/2023	Yahoo! EMEA Ltd.
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	24/01/2023	Europol Polizia di Stato Swedish National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC)
RINZEMA Catharina	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	12/01/2023	Brave Movement
FRITZON Helène	Rapporteur for opinion	FEMM	12/01/2023	DIGITALEUROPE Google Internet Watch Foundation Terre des Hommes International Federation Thorn EDRI VU Amsterdam Cispe Cloud INHOPE Discord Brave movement META GSMA Tiktok Eco Ecpat Dot europe Yahoo Microsoft Child Fund international EuroISPA German CCC Proton
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	12/01/2023	Centre for Democracy & Technology, Europe
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	12/01/2023	Amazon Europe Core SARL Centre for Democracy & Technology, Europe Chaos Computer Club e.V. DOT Europe Discord Inc. ECO Platform AISBL European Digital Rights European Federation for Missing and Sexually Exploited Children (Missing Children Europe) GSMA Europe Google INHOPE - International Association of Internet Hotlines Internet Watch Foundation Microsoft Corporation Proton AG Stichting ECPAT International Terre des Hommes International Federation Thorn TikTok Technology Ltd Yahoo! EMEA Ltd. Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries (f/k/a Facebook Ireland Limited) Digital Europe Vrije Universiteit van Amsterdam (VU) Cispe Cloud Amazon Web Services CISPE

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AGIUS SALIBA Alex	Rapporteur	IMCO	12/01/2023	DIGITALEUROPE DOT Europe Google Thorn IWF Internet Watch Foundation EDRI VU Amsterdam Cispe Cloud AWS CISPE co-chair of child safety group INHOPE Discord, the voice, video, and text chat app Brave Movement META GSMA TIKTOK ECO – Association of the Internet Industry ECPAT, Child protection authority Yahoo Terre des Hommes Microsoft ChildFund International EuroISPA German CCC Proton Centre for Democracy and Technology Missing Children Europe
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	11/01/2023	Match Group
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	11/01/2023	Brave Movement
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	14/12/2022	EDPS DG Home
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	08/12/2022	European Digital Rights
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	08/12/2022	Video Games Europe
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	08/12/2022	Apple Inc.
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	CULT	08/12/2022	Apple Inc.
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	07/12/2022	Telefonica, S.A.
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	05/12/2022	Future Advocacy Brave France Brave Movement Innocence in Danger germany
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	05/12/2022	European Internet Services Providers Association GSMA Europe EuroISPA Amsterdam IX
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	05/12/2022	Internet Watch Foundation
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	05/12/2022	Meta Platforms Ireland Limited and its various subsidiaries
KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	05/12/2022	Internet Watch Foundation
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	01/12/2022	GSMA Europe

KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	28/11/2022	Presentation by Almudena Lara (Global lead on Child Safety Public Policy), Claire Lilley (Global lead on Child Safety and Abuse Enforcement) and Milan Zubicek (Head of Content Cluster, EU Public Policy)
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	23/11/2022	TikTok Technology Ltd
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	22/11/2022	Match Group
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	16/11/2022	Thorn
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	16/11/2022	Microsoft Corporation
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	16/11/2022	Stichting Bits of Freedom
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	08/11/2022	DIGITAL EUROPE
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	08/11/2022	EuroISPA
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	CULT	08/11/2022	CLOUD INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES PROVIDERS IN EUROPE
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	08/11/2022	CLOUD INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES PROVIDERS IN EUROPE
URIŠ NICHOLSONOVÁ Lucia	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	CULT	27/10/2022	International Association of Internet Hotlines - INHOPE
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	27/10/2022	Meta
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/10/2022	Zoom Video Communications, Inc.
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/10/2022	International Association of Internet Hotlines - INHOPE
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	26/10/2022	Thorn
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	24/10/2022	TikTok Technology Ltd
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	13/10/2022	Canadian Centre for Child Protection
AGIUS SALIBA Alex	Rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	13/10/2022	Centre for Democracy & Technology, Europe Office
AGIUS SALIBA Alex	Rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	13/10/2022	European Digital Rights, EDRi
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	12/10/2022	Brave Movement future advocacy
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	12/10/2022	Brave Movement
ZARZALEJOS Javier	Rapporteur	LIBE	12/10/2022	Information Technology Industry Council (ITIC)
KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	12/10/2022	Antonio Labrador
KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	12/10/2022	Javier Zarzalejos
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	CULT	11/10/2022	Dropbox
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	11/10/2022	Dropbox

KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	11/10/2022	Michela Palladino
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	30/09/2022	Internet Watch Foundation
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	CULT	29/09/2022	European Internet Services Providers Association
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	29/09/2022	European Internet Services Providers Association
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	27/09/2022	Chaos Computer Club e.V. Gesellschaft für Freiheitsrechte
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	IMCO	27/09/2022	European Internet Services Providers Association
KOLAJA Marcel	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	CULT	27/09/2022	European Internet Services Providers Association
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	21/09/2022	Child Focus Stop it now! Vlaanderen Cabinet Belgian Minister of Justice Belgian Federal Police Belgian Federal prosecutor Belgian investigative judge BIPT Belgian Justice Administration
KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	CULT	21/09/2022	Internet Watch Foundation
KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	20/09/2022	EUROPEAN DIGITAL RIGHTS -ELLA JAKUBOWSKA (she/her)
KIZILYÜREK Niyazi	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	19/09/2022	1. From Lucia URIŠ Katarina KUTAJOVA Eszter BAKO Marios Lagou, KYRIACOU Dionysios Dennis, Hakan Choban
BREYER Patrick	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	06/09/2022	Chaos Computer Club e.V.
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	12/07/2022	Yubo
TANG Paul	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	06/07/2022	TikTok Technology Ltd
VAUTMANS Hilde	Shadow rapporteur	LIBE	14/06/2022	EuroISPA
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## Combating child sexual abuse online

2022/0155(COD) - 11/05/2022 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to set out a clear and harmonised legal framework on preventing and combating child sexual abuse.

PROPOSED ACT: Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and on an equal footing with the Council.

BACKGROUND: information society services have become very important for communication, expression, gathering of information and many other aspects of present-day life, including for children but also for perpetrators of child sexual abuse offences. Such offences, which are subject to minimum rules set at Union level, are very serious criminal offences that need to be prevented and combated effectively in order to protect children's rights and well-being, as is required under the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, and to protect society at large.

In the absence of harmonised rules at EU level, social media platforms, gaming services, other hosting and online service providers face divergent rules. Certain providers voluntarily use technology to detect, report and remove child sexual abuse material on their services. Measures taken, however, vary widely and voluntary action has proven insufficient to address the issue.

The protection of children, both offline and online, is a Union priority.

CONTENT: in order to address the abovementioned challenges, the Commission proposed to establish a **clear and harmonised legal framework on preventing and combating online child sexual abuse**. It seeks to provide legal certainty to providers as to their responsibilities to **assess and mitigate risks** and, where necessary, to detect, report and remove such abuse on their services in a manner consistent with the fundamental rights laid down in the Charter and as general principles of EU law.

This proposal therefore lays down uniform rules to address the misuse of relevant information society services for online child sexual abuse in the internal market. It establishes, in particular:

### **An EU Centre**

The proposal seeks to establish the EU Centre on Child Sexual Abuse (EUCSA) as a decentralised agency to enable the implementation of the new Regulation. It aims to help remove obstacles to the internal market, especially in connection to the obligations of providers under this Regulation to detect online child sexual abuse, report it and remove child sexual abuse material. The Centre will create, maintain and operate databases of indicators of online child sexual abuse that providers will be required to use to comply with the detection obligations. These databases should therefore be ready before the Regulation enters into application. To ensure that, the Commission has already made funding available to Member States to help with the preparations of these databases.

### **Mandatory risk assessment and risk mitigation measures**

Providers of hosting or interpersonal communication services will have to assess the risk that their services are misused to disseminate child sexual abuse material or for the solicitation of children, known as grooming. Providers will also have to propose risk mitigation measures.

### **Targeted detection obligations, based on a detection order**

Member States will need to designate national authorities in charge of reviewing the risk assessment. Where such authorities determine that a significant risk remains, they can ask a court or an independent national authority to issue a detection order for known or new child sexual abuse material or grooming. Detection orders are limited in time, targeting a specific type of content on a specific service.

### **Strong safeguards on detection**

Companies having received a detection order will only be able to detect content using indicators of child sexual abuse verified and provided by the EU Centre. Detection technologies must only be used for the purpose of detecting child sexual abuse. Providers will have to deploy technologies that are the least privacy-intrusive in accordance with the state of the art in the industry, and that limit the error rate of false positives to the maximum extent possible.

### **Clear reporting obligations**

The proposal obliges providers that have detected online child sexual abuse to report it to the EU Centre.

### **Effective removal**

National authorities can issue removal orders if the child sexual abuse material is not swiftly taken down. Internet access providers will also be required to disable access to images and videos that cannot be taken down, e.g., because they are hosted outside the EU in non-cooperative jurisdictions.

### **Reducing exposure to grooming**

The rules require software application stores to ensure that children cannot download applications that may expose them to a high risk of solicitation of children.

### ***Solid oversight mechanisms and judicial redress***

Detection orders will be issued by courts or independent national authorities. To minimise the risk of erroneous detection and reporting, the EU Centre will verify reports of potential online child sexual abuse made by providers before sharing them with law enforcement authorities and Europol. Both providers and users will have the right to challenge any measure affecting them in Court.

## **Combating child sexual abuse online**

2022/0155(COD) - 16/11/2023 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs adopted a report by Javier ZARZALEJOS (EPP, ES) on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules to prevent and combat child sexual abuse.

The committee responsible recommended that the European Parliament's position adopted at first reading under the ordinary legislative procedure should amend the proposal as follows:

### ***Subject matter and scope***

The proposed Regulation lays down uniform rules to address the misuse of relevant information society services for online child sexual abuse, in order to contribute to the proper functioning of the internal market and to create a safe, predictable and trusted online environment that facilitates innovation and in which fundamental rights enshrined in the Charter are effectively protected. It establishes, inter alia, obligations on providers of online games.

It should not apply to audio communications.

### ***Detection obligations***

Concerning detection orders and its consequent detection obligations, Members considered that they should cover not only the dissemination of material previously detected and confirmed as constituting child sexual abuse material (known material), but also material not previously detected that is likely to constitute child sexual abuse material but has not yet been confirmed as such (new material), as well as activities constituting the solicitation of children (grooming).

In the adopted text, Members excluded end-to-end encryption from the scope of the detection orders to guarantee that all users' communications are secure and confidential. Providers would be able to choose which technologies to use as long as they comply with the strong safeguards foreseen in the law, and subject to an independent, public audit of these technologies.

In order to stress detection orders as a mechanism of **last resort**, Members proposed reinforcing **prevention as part of the mitigation measures** to be taken by relevant society communication services. Mitigation measures may include targeted measures to protect the rights of the child, including safety and security design for children by default, functionalities enabling age assurance and age scoring, age-appropriate parental control tools, allowing flagging and/or notifying mechanisms, self-reporting functionalities, or participating in codes of conduct for protecting children.

Detection orders should contain information about the **right to appeal** to a court of law according to the national legislation.

### ***Reporting obligations***

Providers of hosting services and providers of number-independent interpersonal communication services should establish and operate an easy to access, age-appropriate, child-friendly and user-friendly mechanism that allows any users or entity to flag or notify them of the presence on their service of specific items of information that the individual or entity considers to be potential online child sexual abuse, including self-generated material.

### ***EU centre for child protection***

Under the amended text, the European Union Agency to prevent and combat child sexual abuse, the EU Centre for child protection, is established. It should gather and share anonymised information, gender-, and age-disaggregated statistics, and expertise, educational materials and best practices and facilitate cooperation between relevant public and private parties in connection to the prevention and combating of child sexual abuse, in particular online. It should promote and ensure the appropriate support and assistance to victims.

### ***Victims' Rights and Survivors Consultative Forum***

Members proposed to create a Victim's Rights and Survivors Consultative Forum to make sure that victims' voices are heard.

### ***Establishment of an online European Child Protection Platform***

Members proposed that the EU Centre should create, maintain and operate an online platform for the presentation of information about Member States hotlines and helplines ('Child Protection Platform'). That platform may also be used for the promotion of awareness-raising and prevention campaigns. The platform should be accessible 24 hours a day and seven days a week in all Union languages and shall be child-friendly, age-appropriate and accessible.

### ***Seat***

The choice of the location of the seat of the EU Centre should be made in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure, based on specific criteria. The Commission had initially proposed the Netherlands.

### ***Review***

Within three years from the entry into force of the Regulation, the Commission should submit a report to the European Parliament and to the Council on the necessity and feasibility of including the solicitation of children in the scope of the detection orders, taking into account in particular the reliability and accuracy of the state of art of the detection technologies. Where appropriate, the report should be accompanied by legislative proposals.

