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2016



The year 2016 was especially marked by the escalation of migration issues, which created daily challenges for basic needs. Throughout Europe, many refugee children and migrant children were not able to access housing, food and care in a decent and simple way within the framework of a secure legal status.

We have no choice but to note that Europe has failed to guarantee the rights of these children to be safe and protected from violence and exploitation. This is why ECPAT France engaged in advocacy by signing the joint statement "Children cannot wait", urging European States to immediately and effectively protect children.

In the same spirit, ECPAT France called on the French government to ensure that unaccompanied minors in France are looked after within French common law system, which should meet the protection needs of all children without having to ask for it or to adapt. Yet this is not the case. For that reason, ECPAT France took action in 2016 to improve unaccompanied minors' access to information about their rights. A leaflet, developed with and for them, was produced and widely disseminated to help them move forward in what can quickly appear as a legal jungle, by identifying the people they can go to. Studies on the challenges faced in the protection of these children were also conducted and published to point the way forward for French common law system. Finally, a variety of solutions were developed to guarantee the respect of their rights, such as the possibility of being appointed a guardian or accommodated in a foster family identified and monitored by child protection professionals.

Internationally, our teams and our partners were committed in 9 countries, mainly in Africa but also in the Middle-East and South America. Each year, ECPAT France devotes a significant part of its funding to the recovery and the reintegration of children sexually exploited. "Raw", a book of testimonies published this year, reflects the situation of these children in a realistic and touching way. The conclusion summarises the extent of the progresses made: *"Thanks to these people and their teams, the young women and men presented in this book are finally able to love themselves, love amongst themselves, and feel love from others, as well."*

Finally, the activities implemented also allowed us to inform, mobilize and train children, parents and several public and/or associative stakeholders so that they take their responsibilities in the protection of children against sexual exploitation. We are very happy about the organisation of the first Global Survivors' Forum for adults survivors of childhood sexual exploitation, which took place this year in Strasbourg on the initiative of ECPAT International. This global movement aims to promote the right of sexually abused or exploited children and of those who have grown up to be rescued and start over.

Don't look away and together let's continue to act for children.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Chevillard', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Philippe Chevillard  
President of ECPAT France

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# THE ECPAT INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

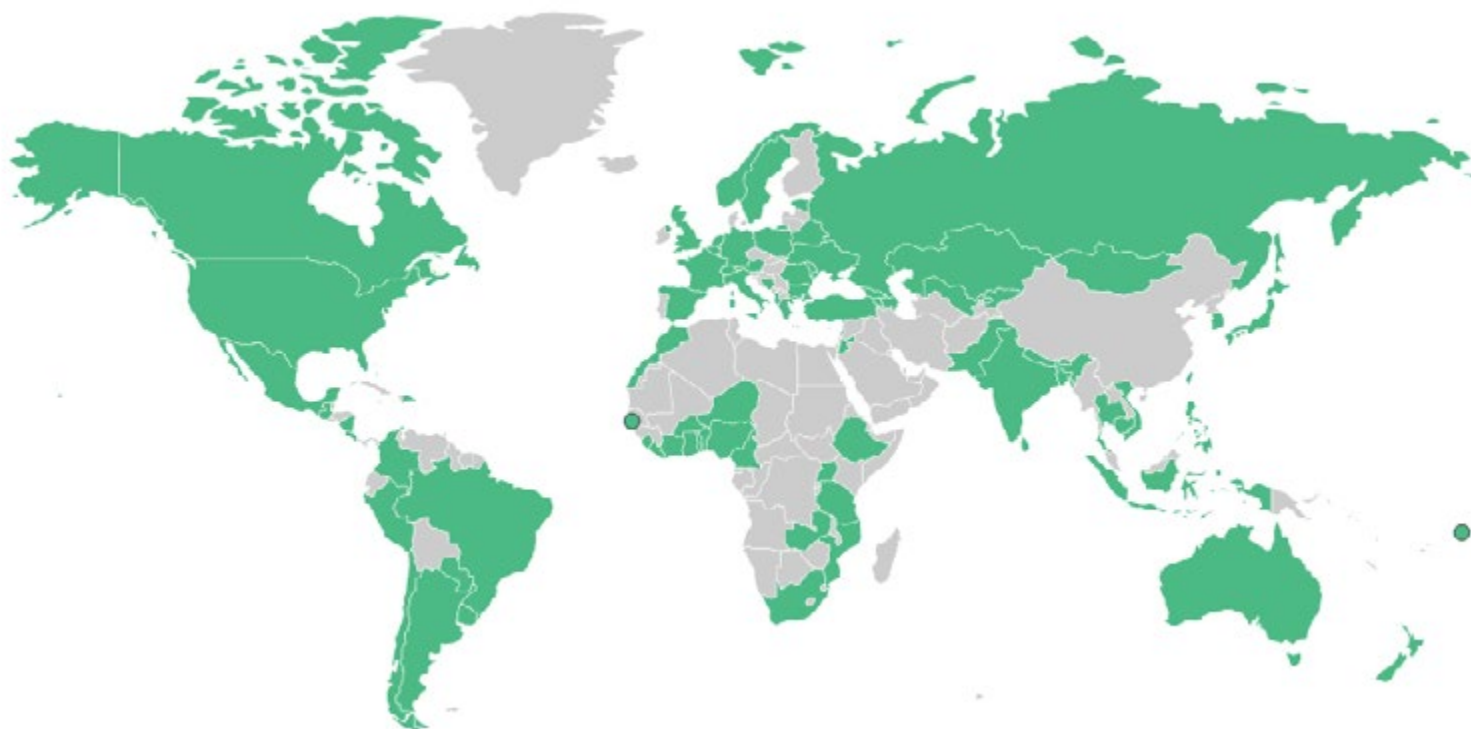
ECPAT (formerly *End Child Prostitution in Asian Tourism*) is a movement which emerged in the 1990s as a campaign focused on exposing and fighting against the alarming levels of sexual exploitation of children in tourism in South-East Asia. ECPAT grew from a regional campaign to a global one, extending its impact to the different continents of the world. Eventually, ECPAT's mandate extended to combating sexual exploitation of children worldwide. In 1996, ECPAT co-organised the First World Congress against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children in Stockholm, Sweden.

At the end of the Congress, ECPAT choose to establish itself as a global non-governmental organization (NGO). In order to take into account the evolution of its mandate, the meaning of its acronym became "*End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes*".

In 2011, ECPAT and The Body Shop, a private sector partner, collected more than 7 million signatures for the petition organized as part of a global campaign aimed at safeguarding the rights of children and teenagers. This is the most important petition regarding a specific human right issues that has ever been submitted to the United Nations.

In 2013, ECPAT International received the 2013 Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize of \$1.5 million, the highest reward for humanitarian action.

Today, ECPAT is an international network comprising 95 member organizations in 86 countries.



# ECPAT FRANCE

Founded in 1997, ECPAT France is a NGO member of the international network ECPAT (*End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes*) whose mission is to combat all forms of commercial sexual exploitation of children.

ECPAT France therefore aims at fighting against the sexual exploitation of children in France and abroad.

In order to promote an environment which protect children from sexual exploitation, ECPAT France seeks to:

- Promote children's rights in France and abroad.
- Combat all forms of violence and exploitation of children and young people under the age of 25, including trafficking for the purpose of all types of exploitation (domestic slavery, forced labour, forced begging, forced delinquency, organs trafficking).

## SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN

The commercial sexual exploitation of children is a fundamental violation of children's rights. It comprises *"sexual abuse by the adult and remuneration in cash or kind to the child or a third person or persons."*<sup>1</sup>

The main forms of sexual exploitation that ECPAT France combats are:

### Exploitation of children in prostitution

This expression covers *"...the abuse of a child for sexual activities in exchange for remuneration in cash or kind."*<sup>2</sup>

### Sexual exploitation of children in the context of travel and tourism

This is defined as *"sexual exploitation of children by persons who travel from one place to another and who participate in sexual acts with minors."*<sup>3</sup>

### Online child sexual exploitation and child sexual exploitation/abuse material

This includes *"any representation, by any means whatsoever, of a child engaging in explicit sexual activities, real or simulated, or any representation of the sexual organs of a child for essentially sexual purposes."*<sup>4</sup>

### Trafficking of children for sexual purposes

This term designates *the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of children for the purpose of sexual exploitation.*

### Child marriage

Child marriage is a marriage in which at least one of the parties is a child, with or without their consent.

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<sup>1</sup> Definition adopted at the 1st World Congress against Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children, Stockholm, 1996

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<sup>2</sup> Definition of the Optional Protocol to the CRC on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography (OPSC), 2000.

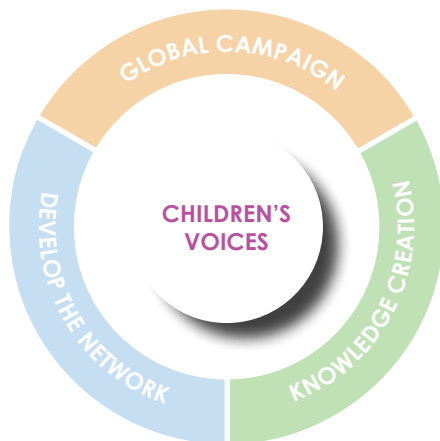
<sup>3</sup> Definition by ECPAT International.

<sup>4</sup> Definition of the OPSC

ECPAT France's strategy for the 2015-2018 period aims at improving the life of children victims of sexual exploitation. Four interdependent areas have been identified to reach this goal. ECPAT France has taken over these four strategic areas settled by ECPAT network to define its strategic planning for the next three years.

### Strategic area 1

Put children's voices at the heart of ECPAT's work



**Ensure that the child's voice is the 'lens' for advocacy actions.** In order to ensure that children's voices are taken into account in its advocacy actions, ECPAT France will continue to seek partnerships with organizations providing services to children victims in France and in the countries of intervention (through either direct partnerships or platforms), and will, if necessary, support initiatives of children consultation.

**Ensure more effective actions to identify and rescue children victims.** ECPAT France will continue to promote the reporting of situations of child prostitution, the prosecution of offenders and the protection of victims. This will include the dissemination of tools developed between 2013 and 2015 (online reporting platform, guide for police services, reporting handbook for the hotel industry) in France and abroad.

**Ensure victims' voices are reflected in policies, legislation, programmes and practices.** ECPAT France will facilitate the collection and reporting of victims' voices to States in collaboration with its African partners and ECPAT International Secretariat: participation to the implementation and dissemination of a World Declaration of children's rights to live free from sexual exploitation; and publication of a book documenting the lives and expectations of victims in Eastern and Southern Africa.

### Strategic area 2

Build a global campaign to end CSEC



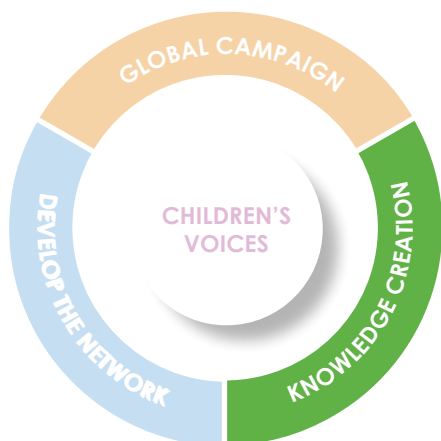
**Spread the global campaign aimed at ending CSEC in France** through the increase of interventions on the subject (via the media, social networks, celebrities, etc.) and the mobilization of commitments from the private sector; obtain the support of French government. This campaign will replace the Fourth World Congress against CSEC.

**Encourage the production and/or dissemination of the results and recommendations of Global Monitoring reports,** of the global report on CSEC and of the global study on sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism. It will imply to highlight the barriers to the effective realisation of children's right to live free from sexual exploitation.



### Strategic Area 3

Convene, broker and lead cutting-edge research, knowledge creation and dissemination



**Produce studies to provide a solid foundation for advocacy and programs.** ECPAT France is committed to produce two studies over the period, in France and in Ivory Coast.

**Create knowledge based on case studies and data** from association in contact with child victims. ECPAT France will support its partners to develop and use data collection for advocacy purposes.

**Provide knowledge on forms and ways to combat online sexual exploitation.** ECPAT France wishes to document innovative practices initiated to fight against these new forms of sexual exploitation of children in order to strengthen the capacities of ECPAT network in Africa to give an appropriate answer.

**Raise community awareness of the need to change social norms and traditional practices contributing to CSEC** (child/early marriage particularly). ECPAT France wishes to work with its African partners on the issue of social norms that paralyse change in practice.

### Strategic Area 4

Strengthen ECPAT network's capacities to implement global advocacy



**Strengthen ECPAT network in Africa.** In consultation with ECPAT International and in collaboration with ECPAT Luxembourg, ECPAT France supports coordination dynamics in Eastern and Western Africa. To this end, ECPAT France promotes multi-country projects and the creation of opportunities for exchanges of good practices and common trainings.

**Reinforce ECPAT network in Europe.** ECPAT France will continue to participate and promote the exchange of experiences and transnational projects with European ECPAT groups. The association will particularly support ECPAT network's regional advocacy initiatives.

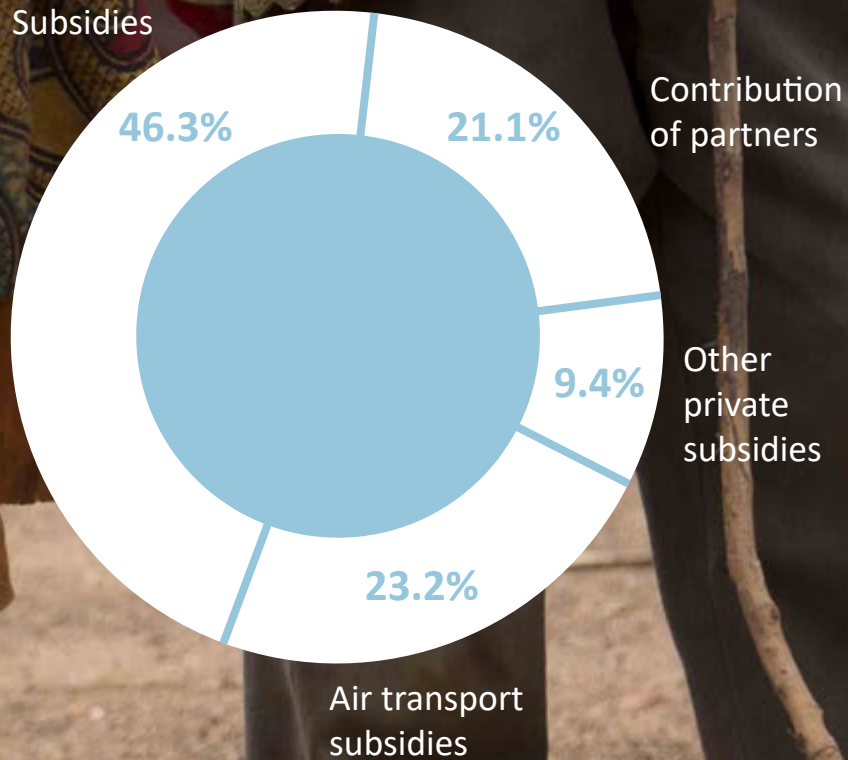




# FUNDING AND PROJECTS BUDGET

## SOURCE OF FUNDING

Public  
Subsidies



Contribution  
of partners

Other  
private  
subsidies

Air transport  
subsidies

## PROJECTS BUDGET

Total funding obtained on ongoing  
projects

**5,902,804** Euros









JCDecaux



“ J’ai dû quitter l’école à l’âge de 14 ans. Même pour m’inscrire à une école publique, je devais dépenser environ 500 euros pour payer les frais d’inscription, les livres scolaires, le nouvel uniforme et les chaussures. Ma mère était au chômage et ne pouvait pas payer un montant pareil. Pour ramener de l’argent à la maison, j’ai commencé à me prostituer à l’âge de 15 ans. Je me sentais terriblement mal. Je devais me vendre à n’importe quel homme qui était prêt à me payer 100 shillings (environ 1 euro). Aujourd’hui, cela fait trois ans que j’ai intégré le programme de réhabilitation. Ma vie a changé, il ne me reste plus qu’un an pour finir mon cycle d’étude secondaire. J’ai maintenant plus de chance de trouver un travail décent. ”

■ Akinyi Njoroge, 17 ans, Kenya, membre d’une association de jeunes filles

## ECPAT FRANCE AGIT POUR PROTÉGER LES ENFANTS DES PIRES FORMES DE TRAVAIL

### Réhabilitation et réintégration de jeunes filles en situation de prostitution au Kenya



PAYS : KENYA

Au Kenya, dans les quartiers défavorisés de Nairobi et Kisumu, ECPAT France soutient l’organisation locale USK (Urdugu Society of Kenya) dans la création d’associations de jeunes filles désireuses de sortir de la prostitution. Ces associations permettent à ces jeunes Kényennes de partager leurs histoires afin de se libérer de leurs expériences traumatiques. La violence, l’abandon, la peur et la stigmatisation sociale sont des souffrances qu’elles ont vécues au quotidien et qu’elles surmontent dorénavant ensemble afin de reprendre confiance en elles et en l’avenir. Le projet vise le renforcement de l’autonomie des jeunes filles, grâce à des orientations vers le système scolaire ou des filières d’apprentissage, mais également grâce à des ateliers abordant les droits, la santé, la parentalité, etc.



Une association de jeunes filles à Nairobi

→ En 2015, 9 associations ont été créées : 5 dans la ville de Kisumu et 4 à Nairobi, réunissant 141 jeunes filles âgées de 16 à 24 ans.



Fondée en 1997, l’association ECPAT France a pour objet de lutter, en France et à l’international, contre l’exploitation sexuelle des enfants, à savoir : la prostitution, l’exploitation sexuelle dans les voyages ou en ligne, le mariage forcé et précoce des enfants et la traite à des fins d’exploitation sexuelle. [www.ecpat-france.fr](http://www.ecpat-france.fr)

# ACTIVITIES IN FRANCE



# PUBLIC AWARENESS RAISING AND MOBILISATION



*Reporting campaign poster launched in 2014*

## REPORTING

Since its beginnings in 1997, ECPAT France has carried out awareness raising and mobilization activities in France. As such, the association regularly launches a new campaign to raise awareness among the general public regarding the sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism.

In partnership with national police forces, Europol and Interpol, ECPAT France and European ECPAT groups have developed a platform [www.reportchildsextourism.org](http://www.reportchildsextourism.org) allowing travellers to report any suspected case of child sexual abuse/exploitation. This platform was designed to facilitate reporting and has been operational since the end of 2014.

In 2014, a new campaign has been launched to inform about the platform. Aimed at tourists, it communicates on the need to report any potential perpetrator of child sexual abuse/exploitation.

In 2016, ECPAT France has continued to disseminate the campaign, especially during major sporting events.

## Prevention during major sporting events: Rio 2016

The “RIO 2016 : The Olympics Games for children’s rights” project was meant to reinforce the prevention on violence against children during the Olympic Games.

This project was led by the FNP (National Front of Mayors of Brazil), in partnership with Brazilian association Viva Rio, Italian organization ISCOS Piemonte, with the support of ECPAT and the municipalities of Rio de Janeiro and Porto Alegre. At an institutional level, this project was also supported by the Secretariat for Human Rights of the Presidency of the Republic (SDH), UNICEF, the National Forum for the Prevention and Elimination of Child Labour (FNPETI), the National Committee for Combating Sexual Violence against Children and Adolescents and the Olympic Committee Rio 2016.



The Brazilian population and foreign travellers were invited to report any situation that could constitute a danger for children, by calling the Brazilian free phone number 100. A smartphone app *ProtejaBrasil* was also created for Android and IOS devices.

The role of ECPAT France consisted in disseminating the campaign in France.



### AccorHotels' commitment

The AccorHotels group has been supporting and relaying awareness raising activities carried out by the ECPAT network for many years. In 2016, this support was materialized with the dissemination of prevention messages in the context of the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

The group's Hotel Staff members displayed awareness raising materials to inform clients on the need to report any situation that might represent a risk for children.

## Prevention during major sporting events: EURO 2016

Major sporting events constitute environments that may increase the risk of children's rights violations. At the same time, they provide better visibility of awareness campaigns as they cause important influxes of travellers at specific dates and places. As such, the UEFA Euro 2016 represented an opportunity to communicate on the issue to supporters.

This is why the ECPAT network chose to inform European supporters on the existence of the online platform to report suspected cases of child sexual exploitation and abuse in travel and tourism with an imagery adapted to the context of the UEFA Euro 2016.

[www.reportchildsextourism.org](http://www.reportchildsextourism.org)

The ACCOR group joined this initiative by disseminating awareness raising messages in 11 different languages on different sites of the group.

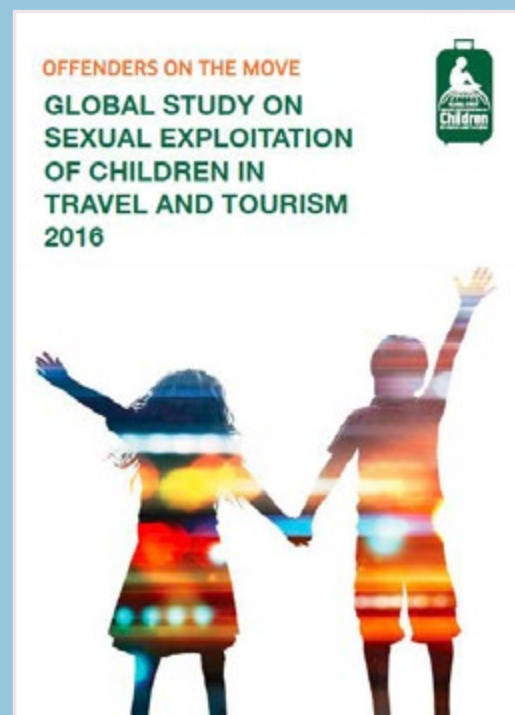


## Regarding sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism

After two years of investigation and data collection, ECPAT International has published a global study on sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism in which more than 70 NGO and associations participated.

The study highlights the changes observed, related both to recent developments of tourism and new technologies and proposes action plans. The executive summary is available in French. The global study was made from regional and country studies. Every study, particularly the European one, can be consulted on:

[www.globalstudysectt.org](http://www.globalstudysectt.org)





## MOBILISATION OF TOURISM STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

### The DON'T LOOK AWAY contest

For the second year of the “Don’t Look Away” contest, nearly one hundred and fifty tourism students mobilized by implementing awareness raising activities in France. After transforming their high school into the embarkation hall of an airport and asking their classmate to parade “dressed up” as travellers, the winning team organized in January 2016 a conference-debate in which associations representatives, magistrates and the public prosecutor took part.

Thanks to the generosity of partner companies, the three winners of Christian Bourquin High School from Argèles-sur-mer received different prizes, including a one-week full board stay in a Club Med village, one week stay with transport included in the Club Lookéa Royal Tafoukt, in Agadir (Morocco) as well as Petit Futé and Routard travel guides.



This contest is organised by



With the support of



### Interventions with students

At the request of tourism and hotel industry schools, ECPAT France intervenes to strengthen the students training on the fight against child sexual exploitation in tourism and to disseminate information and awareness materials.

An educational kit is also available for tourism teachers on [www.guide-fftst-ecpat.com](http://www.guide-fftst-ecpat.com)

In 2016, ECPAT France trained a total of 300 students from schools located mainly in the Paris area.

## RAISING PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT SDGs

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were announced by the heads of state and government who gathered in New York for the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit on 25th September 2015. The world leaders made a strong commitment to protect the most vulnerable children.



The ECPAT network welcomed the commitment of the world leaders as a progress for children all over the world.

ECPAT's action is more particularly integrated into the achievement of 3 Sustainable Development Goals:



The SDGs notice the specific vulnerability of women and intend to “eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres, including trafficking and **sexual** and other types of **exploitation**” (Goal 5.2).



The SDGs address the economic world. They include the commitment to “take immediate and effective measures to eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery and human trafficking and secure the prohibition and elimination of the **worst forms of child labour** (...) by 2025” (Goal 8.7).



The SDGs recognize the importance to promote peace and provide access to justice for all. They aim to “end abuse, **exploitation**, **trafficking** and **all forms of violence** against and torture of children” (Goal 16.2).

To celebrate International Children's day on 20th November, NGOs member of Groupe Enfance\* organized an exhibition from 18th to 23th November 2016 in front of Paris city hall to draw public attention to the need to respect children's rights. This exhibition benefited from the support of Mairie de Paris, JC Decaux enterprise and the commitment of the Groupe Enfance organisations staff members and volunteers.

The aim of the "Objectif Enfance" exhibition ([www.objectif-enfance.org](http://www.objectif-enfance.org)) was to raise public awareness of the importance of the Sustainable Development Goals and to show their link with children's rights. Thanks to the exposition of activities implemented by NGOs on the field, SDGs and children's rights became more concrete.

NGOs member of Groupe Enfance have also introduced an open letter to the Parliament requesting a parliamentary mission in order to set up a framework for monitoring SDGs related to children's rights.

[www.change.org/p/objectifenfance-lettre-ouverte-au-parlement-français-intégrer-les-droits-de-l-enfant-dans-l-agenda-2030](http://www.change.org/p/objectifenfance-lettre-ouverte-au-parlement-français-intégrer-les-droits-de-l-enfant-dans-l-agenda-2030)

\*Composed of French child protection NGOs with international activities, the Groupe Enfance of the Coordination Humanitaire et Développement ([coordination-humanitaire-developpement.org](http://coordination-humanitaire-developpement.org)) aims to promote children's rights.



Objectif Enfance also has its video  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4OuAFUh3sqQ>

## Examples of the exhibit panels



### ➔ Aujourd'hui, près de 170 millions d'enfants travaillent dans le monde

Plus de 85 millions dans des conditions dangereuses (mines, prostitution, production de matériel pornographique, trafic de stupéfiants ou enfants soldats).<sup>(1)</sup>

## OBJECTIFS POUR 2030 :

- Favoriser l'accès des jeunes à l'éducation, la formation et l'emploi.
- Supprimer le travail forcé, l'esclavage moderne, la traite des êtres humains, les pires formes de travail et l'utilisation d'enfants soldats.
- Appliquer le Pacte mondial pour l'emploi de l'Organisation internationale du travail.

(1) Source : selon l'Organisation Internationale du Travail

\*Convention internationale des droits de l'enfant

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## EN 2016

6 enfants sur 10 de 2 à 14 ans subissent régulièrement des châtiments corporels infligés par les personnes qui s'occupent d'eux.<sup>(1)</sup>

## OBJECTIFS POUR 2030 :

- Réduire nettement, partout dans le monde, toutes les formes de violence et les taux de mortalité qui y sont associés,
- Mettre un terme à la maltraitance, à l'exploitation et à la traite, et à toutes les formes de violence et de torture dont sont victimes les enfants,
- Appuyer, notamment dans le cadre de la coopération internationale, les institutions nationales chargées de renforcer, à tous les niveaux, les moyens de prévenir la violence.

(1) Source : UNICEF

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# ECPAT France on social networks

ECPAT France shares all its activities and news, in France and abroad, on the social networks.



<https://www.facebook.com/EcpatFrance/?fref=ts>



<https://twitter.com/ecpatfrance>





# ACTIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN FRANCE

## THE REACT PROJECT ON REPRESENTATION AND ASSISTANCE TO CHILDREN AT RISK OR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING AND EXPLOITATION



Since November 2015 and for a two-year period, ECPAT France has been coordinating the European ReACT project (REinforcing Assistance to Child victims of Trafficking), co-financed by the European Commission and developed with four other ECPAT groups in Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and the UK as well as the Alliance of Lawyers for Human Rights (AADH).

ReACT project aims to ensure effective access to justice and the right to be protected in legal proceedings for children at risk or victims of trafficking. To this end, several activities have been developed to reach legal representatives (guardians and lawyers) in contact with children as well as the children themselves.

### Elaboration of a European comparative study on guardianship systems in 5 member states

Each partner country has produced a study on the existing system of legal representation at national level. In France, the study will be published by La Documentation Française

under the title *Children at risk or victims of trafficking in France: issues of protection and legal representation*. The study will be available on the Documentation Française e-commerce site from 1st March 2017.

Based on this study and the 4 other national reviews, a comparative report named *Better support, better protection* has been produced and recommendations made.

### Development of training modules on child trafficking for guardians and lawyers

ECPAT France went to 9 cities in France (Paris, Lille, Calais, Strasbourg, Lyon, Marseille, Nice, Toulouse and Nantes) to raise awareness among professionals working with children at risk or victims of trafficking. More than 150 professionals (lawyers, magistrate, ad hoc administrators, social workers, members of associations, etc.) were trained.

In 2017, training sessions will be organised with lawyers and guardians/ad hoc administrators.



Production of child-friendly information tools to inform children at risk or victims of trafficking about their rights

Two complementary tools were created and disseminated as part of ReACT project. The first one is a video in which a young person, who after arriving in a member country was looked after, gives advices to another minor arriving. The video has been translated into 13 languages (English, French, German, Dutch, Pidgin English, Pashto, Farsi, Arabic, Albanian, Bulgarian, Romanian, Chinese and Vietnamese) and is available on the “ECPAT ReAct” YouTube channel.

The video is complemented by a leaflet (one per country) that gives practical advices such as contact information of associations or specialized structures that can help, support or guide minors. The leaflet is also available in 13 languages.

Advocacy activities to ensure effective legal guardianship

Based on the studies’ findings and recommendations, advocacy activities will

be implemented to systematize the use of guardians and ad hoc administrators in the European Union countries.



Leaflet for unaccompanied foreign minors

## STUDY ON CHILDREN AT RISK OR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING

Virtually all forms of trafficking of children as covered by the current legal definition (article 225-4-1 of the Penal Code) exist in France today. The situation of children exploited for the purpose of committing offences or crimes represents a particularly worrying social reality in several urban areas, such as Paris, Lyon, Marseille and Lille.

Even though statistical data is limited, some projects have been initiated to better understand the reality of trafficking and the profile of exposed children. While some cases of trafficking of French children have been reported mainly for procurement purposes, unaccompanied foreign minors (UFM) are the most at risk. The situations identified in 2016 in the different camps near Calais reveal the challenges affecting more particularly informal settlements zones (slums) where the presence of public servants remains restricted and where social and charity workers are not necessarily trained to adequately detect and report these situations.

As a result, the identification and reporting of minors victims of trafficking is still limited. Very few situations of UFM victims are detected while the children receive assistance in the waiting area or when they are identified in the territory and that an assessment of their situation is performed. The lack of training on this issue partly explains the difficulties encountered. Indeed, several professionals interviewed confess that they do not feel able to detect these situations, especially those of minors under duress or under hold.

Moreover, the current system of legal representation for children – including guardianship and ad hoc administration – and its functioning present a number of limitations, to which children victims of trafficking as well as unaccompanied minors or minors without parents or relatives with the capacity of looking for their best interest, may be confronted. The system appears as insufficiently reactive, reliable and thus inadequately protective.



The study on children at risk or victims of trafficking was originally developed as a contribution to the European ReACT project, co-financed by the European Commission and involving five European countries (Belgium, France, Germany, the Netherlands and the UK). It builds on national, European and international legal frameworks, the review of public policy documents, the work of independent institutions (French National Human Rights Advisory Commission and the Human Right Defender in particular) and recent associative research and contributions. It draws upon interviews with social and legal professionals who outline solutions or at least improvements to better look after unaccompanied foreign minors in France.

The study will be available from 1st March 2017 on the e-commerce site of Documentation Française: [www.ladocumentationfrancaise.fr](http://www.ladocumentationfrancaise.fr)

## PARTNERS IN FRANCE

### AEDE group – Acting together for the Rights of the Child

In February 2016, the Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC) made recommendations to France.

AEDEgroup([collectif-aede.org](http://collectif-aede.org)) then produced and published a child-friendly summary document of the CRC's recommendations to France.

AEDE group also introduced a 5-year plan entitled “WITH children, FOR the respect of their rights” gathering the main recommendations that AEDE would like to see implemented during the 2016-2020 period.



ECPAT France is also member of InfoMIE (<http://infomie.net/>) and of the “Together Against Human Trafficking” group (<http://contrelatraite.org/>).



Since 2011, ECPAT France has been a member of the Alliance of Lawyers for Human Rights (AADH, <http://aadh.fr/>). In November 2016, at the first “Alliance Awards” ceremony, ECPAT France was the recipient of the 2016 AADH award thanks to the support of AADH's offices.





## Partnership with AADH: ECPAT France, interested party in legal cases



Thanks to the partnership with AADH, ECPAT France can become an interested party in legal proceedings to combat the sexual exploitation of children in all its manifestations.

In 2016, ECPAT France was an interested party in two important proceedings.

### The Darantière case

Thierry Darantière, a 53 year-old French man, was sentenced to 16 years in prison and 10 years of medical treatment for sexually abusing and raping at least 66 boys in Tunisia, Egypt and Sri Lanka (including under the cloak of humanitarian activities). Many materials such as hard drives were found at his home. They included thousands of pictures and hundreds of videos featuring him with minors. This case was particularly heavy for the French justice, unprecedented in its scope.

### The Sangaris case

An investigation has been opened for the rape of minors under 15 years old by persons who had abused the authority conferred upon them by their roles, and complicity in this crime, following the reporting of sexual assaults on minors by French soldiers, members of the Sangaris Operation. According to a report of the UN Human Rights and Justice section services in Bangui, French troops posted at M'Poko airport are alleged to have requested and obtained sexual favours in exchange for food and/or money from children aged 9 to 13 between December 2013 and June 2014. The French Ministry of Defence, who received information from the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights on 29th July 2014, referred the matter to the public prosecutor of Paris within the following days. A legal inquiry against X has been under way since 7th May 2015, to which new charges were brought on 5th February 2016 following new testimonies of sexual abuse.

## Media coverage of legal proceedings

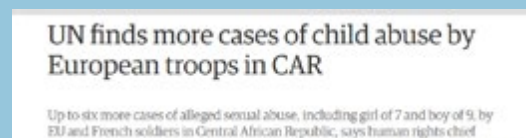
Media coverage of legal proceedings plays an important role to inform the public on the penalties incurred by the perpetrators of child sexual exploitation. The prevention of sexual exploitation of children also requires deterrence. These two cases were highly covered by the Media in 2016. To name but a few:



[http://www.lemonde.fr/police-justice/article/2016/06/22/pedophilie-18-ans-de-reclusion-requis-a-l-encontre-d-un-francais-accuse-d-avoir-abuse-de-66-garcons\\_4955965\\_1653578.html](http://www.lemonde.fr/police-justice/article/2016/06/22/pedophilie-18-ans-de-reclusion-requis-a-l-encontre-d-un-francais-accuse-d-avoir-abuse-de-66-garcons_4955965_1653578.html)



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<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2016/jan/29/un-finds-more-cases-of-child-abuse-by-european-troops-in-car>





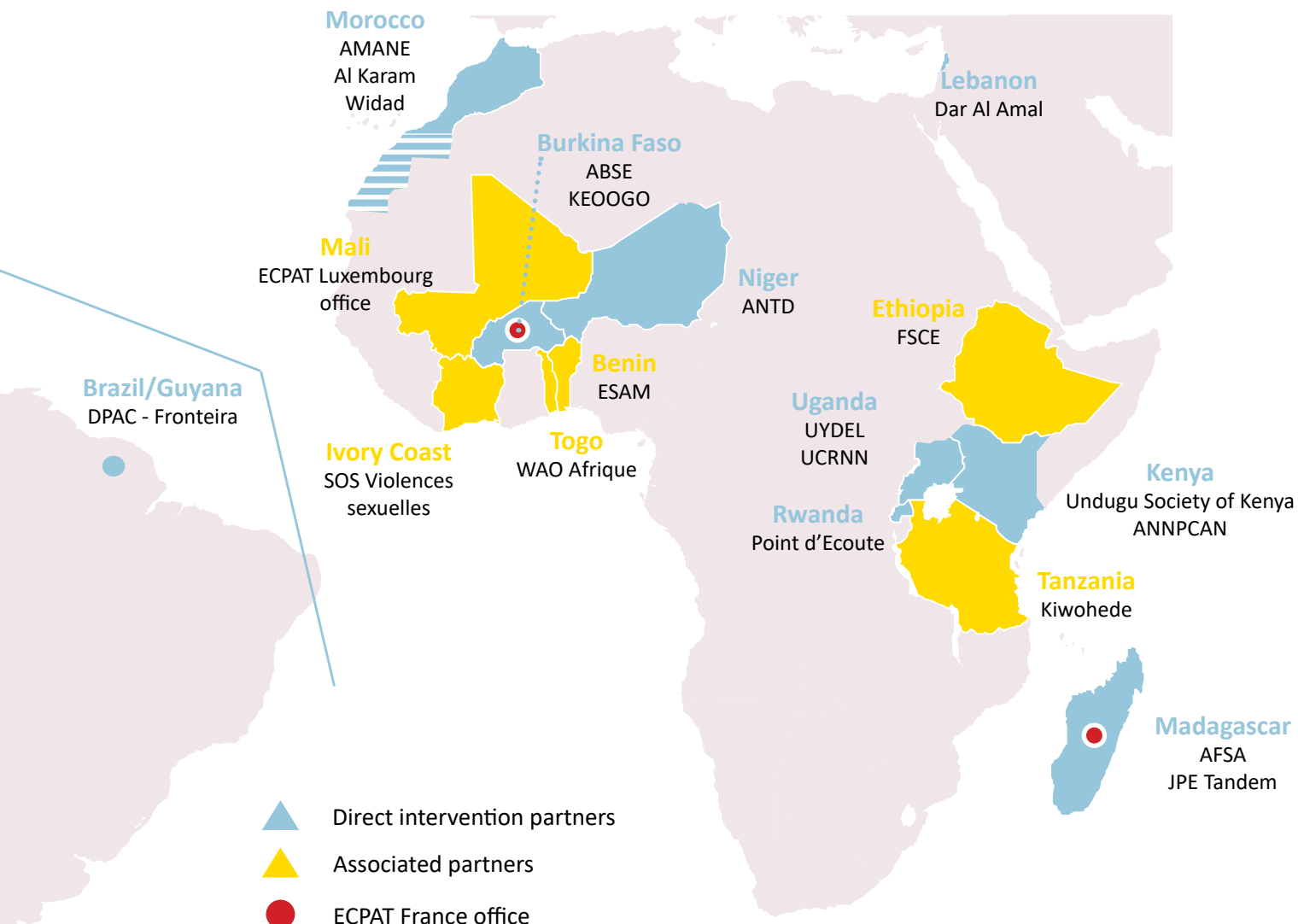




# INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES



# COUNTRIES OF INTERVENTION



In 2016, ECPAT France took action on the African continent as well as in Brazil by providing technical and financial support to its partners through 4 strategic orientations:

- Care and reintegration of children victims or at risk;
- Prevention, through actions aimed at reducing children's vulnerability and the social tolerance regarding their exploitation;
- Production of studies and reports on child sexual exploitation;
- Reinforcement of local and national systems of child protection.

# DIRECT INTERVENTIONS PARTNERS

## In North Africa and the Middle East



**AMANE** - Created in 2009, AMANE aims at strengthening stakeholders capacities to improve preventive action and the protection of vulnerable children and child victims of sexual violence.

[www.amanemena.org](http://www.amanemena.org)



**AL KARAM** - Founded in 1997, Al Karam is a Moroccan public utility organization that seeks to promote family reunification, schooling and professional reintegration of children and youths at risk.

[www.association-alkaram.com/](http://www.association-alkaram.com/)



**WIDAD** - Established in 2004, Widad for the Woman and the Child is a Moroccan association working against any form of gender-based violence against women and children.



**Dar Al Amal** - A Lebanese association created in 1969, Dar Al Amal (DAA) helps sexually exploited young girls and women in legal conflict by providing the support required for their social and professional reintegration.

## In West Africa



**ANTD** - Created in 2000, the Nigerian association for treating delinquency and to prevent crime (ANTD) works on the identification of the root causes of juvenile delinquency and forms of child exploitation.  
[antd-niger.blogspot.fr](http://antd-niger.blogspot.fr)



**KEOOGO** - Created in 2004, Keoogo is a Burkinabe association of child welfare, whose main mission is to provide protection services, medical care and rehabilitation to vulnerable children.  
[www.keoogo.bf](http://www.keoogo.bf)

## In East Africa and Madagascar



**UYDEL** - A Ugandan organization founded in 1993, UYDEL combats risky behaviours of youth (drugs and HIV prevention) and the worst forms of exploitation.  
[www.uydel.org](http://www.uydel.org)



**UCRNN (ECPAT Uganda)** - Created in 1997, Uganda Child Rights NGO Network (UCRNN) is a coalition of child-focused humanitarian organizations. This coalition represents the ECPAT International network in Uganda.  
[www.ucrnn.net](http://www.ucrnn.net)



**Undugu Society of Kenya (USK)** was created in 1973 to confront the growing problem of street children and young people in Nairobi, in particular through a program offering alternative employment to girls living from prostitution.  
[www.undugukenya.org](http://www.undugukenya.org)



**ANPPCAN** - Founded in 1986, ANPPCAN is a Pan-African network that promotes child rights. ANPPCAN has national chapters in 26 countries and is head-quartered in Nairobi (Kenya).  
[www.anppcan.org](http://www.anppcan.org)



**Point d'Ecoute** - Based on the shore of Lake Kivu at the border with the Democratic Republic of Congo, Point d'Ecoute is a Rwandan association created in 1998 working with school drop-outs, street children, girl mothers and AIDS orphans.



**AFSA** - Founded in 1992 in Madagascar by the leaders of the National program to fight AIDS, the Association of Women Samaritans (AFSA) aims to ensure the social reintegration of sex workers in order to limit the spread of sexually transmitted infections.

**JPE/Tandem** is a Malagasy grassroots organisation that brings together young people from Antananarivo disadvantaged neighbourhoods. They organise community events and recreational activities for children. The events provide the opportunity to listen to the community, identify cases of abuses and raise awareness about children's rights.

## On the Brazilian border



**DPAC - Fronteira** is a Brazilian organisations working in Oiapoque (Brazil) to fight against discrimination, reduce social inequalities, implement activities with young people and provide comprehensive supports to the most vulnerable families.  
[www.dpacfronteira.org](http://www.dpacfronteira.org)

## Cross-cutting partner

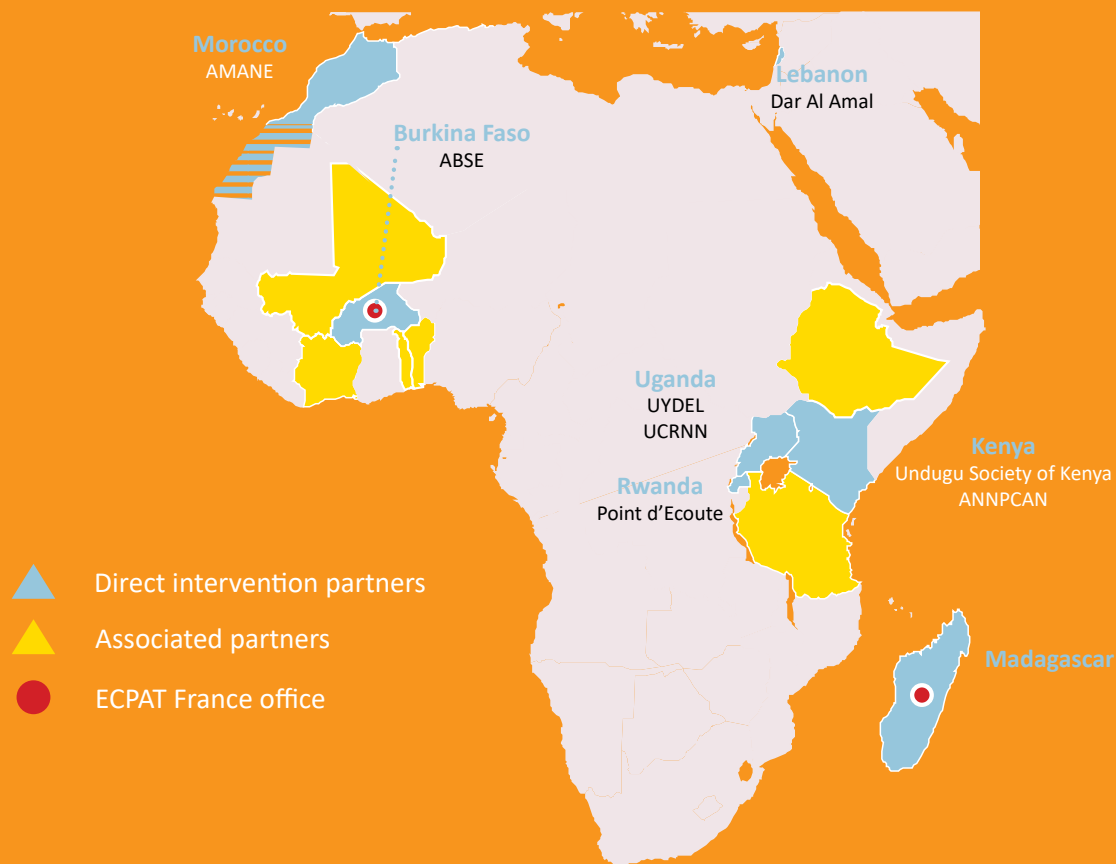


**FRANCOPOL** is a consultation and cooperation organization whose mission is to foster the exchange of best practices, as well as investigations and reflections on police training and expertise. The network aims to increase the skills of police services to better serve citizens.  
[francopol.org/nc/](http://francopol.org/nc/)



# REPERES PROGRAMME

STRENGTHENING THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AT RISK  
OR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL EXPLOITATION



Started in January 2016, REPERES programme aims to reduce the vulnerability of children to sexual exploitation and to better integrate this issue into the national systems of child protection in the following countries: Morocco, Lebanon, Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda, Madagascar, Burkina Faso and Ivory Coast.

With this 3-year project, ECPAT France, in collaboration with ECPAT Luxembourg and ECPAT International, provides technical and financial support to local child protection organisations implementing activities on the ground.

REPERES programme also involves partners from neighbouring African countries, with whom regional strategies are discussed and joint activities initiated.

This programme is co-financed by the French Development Agency (AFD), the Foundation of France, the Raja Foundation, the Department of Development, Cooperation and Humanitarian action of the Luxembourg Foreign and European affairs Ministry and Air France.

Activities implemented as part of REPERES programme are presented in the next section per country.

## REPERES - MOROCCO

Since 2009, ECPAT France has supported AMANE to combat sexual violence against children in Morocco. To accomplish this mission, AMANE intervenes through the:

- Strengthening of child protection stakeholders' capacities to improve the prevention and care of vulnerable children and/or children victims of sexual violence.
- Production of reference tools on the issue for child protection stakeholders.
- Public awareness raising of the issue.
- Advocacy for the improvement of child protection systems against sexual violence.

### ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

#### *Mobilisation of children and training on self-protection*

- 18 social workers and structure managers received a capacity building training to implement the prevention programme of sexual violence against children in Agadir.
- 6 associations benefited from 2 post-training monitoring visits.

Following the training sessions initiated by AMANE in 2015 with organisations working in Agadir, 174 children and 84 mothers completed a self-protection programme against sexual violence.

#### *Mobilisation of decision makers on the issue of child sexual exploitation*



Groupe de travail de **lutte contre la violence sexuelle** à l'égard des enfants

*In 2015, the choice was made to facilitate the creation of a group of organisations to increase the visibility of demand for the protection of children against sexual violence to the Moroccan government. The group was officially created on 10th December 2015.*

In 2016, AMANE facilitated the group's orientation:

- Organisation of 2 steering meetings, including the General Assembly on 3rd June 2016.
- Training of members on the legal framework regarding sexual violence in Morocco (14 participants).
- Training of members on the definition of an advocacy strategy (15 participants).

*Organisations represented in the working group:* AIDA (Tanger), AIDCA-INTILAKA (Afourer-Azilal), AMANE (Rabat), ANIR (Agadir), BAYTI (Casablanca), Droit et Justice (Casablanca), El Amane (Marrakech), Fondation Amane (Taroudant), Solidarité Féminine, SOS Villages d'enfants (Casablanca), 100% Mamans (Tanger).

# REPERES - LEBANON

ECPAT France has collaborated with Dar Al Amal (DAA) since 2009, especially through the following strategies:

- Strengthening the capacities of child protection stakeholders on sexual exploitation of children.
- Implementing prevention programmes, particularly through the development and dissemination of a self-protection programme.
- Looking after children exposed to different forms of violence or exploitation, or sexual exploited.

## ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

### Care and reduction of risky behaviours

- 500 children participated in the recreational and cultural activities offered by DAA's centres. These activities aim at consolidating the children's identity, their fulfilment and their development in a secure environment.
- 217 girls attended school support classes and 365 children literacy courses.
- 5 young people sexually exploited were accompanied by a psychologist.

### Family reunification and support for parents

- 59 parents attended family therapy sessions to better understand the need and difficulties of their children and manage marital and parental conflicts.

### Mobilisation of children and training on self-protection

- 182 children completed the self-protection programme.
- 52 children watched and discussed an educational show on the prevention of sexual violence.

### Mobilisation and awareness raising of adults

- 86 parents participated in the *Parents Deals* programme developed by War Child for the security and the protection of children.
- 1500 adults and 500 children attended special information days.
- 1 campaign conducted with 2000 leaflets, 200 puzzles and 1000 bookmarks.

### Mobilisation of decision makers on the issue of child sexual exploitation



*The Global Monitoring reports on action against sexual exploitation of children provides a comprehensive assessment of the fight against sexual exploitation of children in a particular country. They constitute an important advocacy tool produced by the ECPAT network.*

- Analysis of legal frameworks and interviews with stakeholders to assess the fight against child sexual exploitation in Lebanon.
- Facilitation of a multi-stakeholders workshop to formulate recommendations (18 persons).
- Production of Lebanon Global Monitoring report, First Edition, October 2016.



# REPERES - BURKINA FASO

In Burkina Faso, ECPAT France and ECPAT Luxembourg office plays a role of coordination and skills transfer. Its actions mainly aim to mobilise and train the agents of local child protection systems so that they understand, agree with and implement strategies to fight against child sexual exploitation.

## ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

### Care and reduction of risky behaviours

- Production and dissemination of 500 copies of an information card on rights by field partners: Keoogo, Voix des Femmes and Burkina Faso Samu Social.



### Mobilisation of children and training on self-protection

- 41 peer educators and 10 supervisors trained to facilitate the self-protection programme.
- In 2016, 2698 young people were informed by the peer educators trained.

### Mobilisation and awareness raising of adults

- 60 women leaders were trained and raised awareness among 360 women in their community.

### Training of child protection stakeholders on sexual exploitation

- 2 training sessions were organised with the social workers of Burkina Faso Department of Woman, National solidarity and Family for the benefit of 53 people.
- 2 academic workshops were organised with 232 students of Gaoua school of social workers.

### Mobilisation of decision makers on the issue of child sexual exploitation

- Dissemination of the executive summary of the study on child prostitution and its link with migration and trafficking published in 2013.



The Global Monitoring reports on action against sexual exploitation of children provides a comprehensive assessment of the fight against sexual exploitation of children in a particular country. They constitute an important advocacy tool produced by the ECPAT network.

- Facilitation of a multi-stakeholders workshop to monitor actions and formulate recommendations.
- Production of Burkina Faso Global Monitoring report, Second Edition, October 2016.

# REPERES - MADAGASCAR



In Madagascar, ECPAT France office offers orientation services to children exploited in prostitution and mobilises stakeholders (care centres for vulnerable children, schools, communities, etc.) to consider and tackle the issue of sexual exploitation of children. Its actions mainly aim to mobilise and train the agents of local child protection systems so that they understand, agree with and implement strategies to fight against child sexual exploitation.

## ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

### *Care and reduction of risky behaviours*

- 95 social street work sessions organised, 1152 informed minors, 27 birth certificates obtained.
- Partnership with AFSA: 310 people in situation of prostitution informed, 414 home visits carried out and 104 referrals to STI screening services organised.

### *Mobilisation of children and training on self-protection*

- 59 peer educators were trained and in turn informed 473 young people.
- 201 debate sessions were organised in schools with 9433 pupils.

### *Mobilisation of decision makers on the issue of child sexual exploitation*

*In 2015, ECPAT France coordinated the publication of Madagascar Global Monitoring Report on action against sexual exploitation of children.*



- Organisation of a National Conference on the fight against child sexual exploitation on 16th March 2016.







## REPERES - KENYA

Since 2011 ECPAT France has supported the Undugu Society of Kenya (USK) for the creation of associations for girls victims of prostitution in Nairobi. In these mutual aid groups, girls can jointly exit their extremely precarious situation, break their isolation and dependence on alcohol, gain in self-esteem and improve their children's environment. Since 2015, advocacy activities have been strengthened thanks to the partnership with ANPPCAN.

### ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

#### Care and reduction of risky behaviours

- Social street work sessions on prostitution sites to create social link with young girls victims of prostitution in Nairobi and Kisumu.
- 1 new association created in 2016, for a total of 10 associations gathering 183 girls.
- Placement of 50 girls in professional apprenticeship and start-up grants for revenue generating activities (RGA) for 85 girls.

*At this stage, 90% of the girls in associations do not need to turn into prostitution anymore.*

*The girls in associations are committed to reducing sexual violence in their community.*

*Last month, the members of Kunya Young Ladies supported a 15 year-old girl to report an incident where she was defiled by a community member. The incident was reported to the area chief who unfortunately did not follow up on the issue therefore the perpetrator was not prosecuted. In another association, members of Royal Stars helped a mother whose 3 year-old daughter was sexually defiled by escorting her to the hospital to provide medical evidence to enable the prosecution of the perpetrator.”*

– Beldina, Project manager in Kisumu

#### Support for parents

- Support to the recovery of 5 children who suffered traumatic situations through family therapy approach.
- Training of 3 new parent groups in social distress, for a total of 9 associations and 157 parents involved in the protection of their community's children.





### *Mobilisation of children and training on self-protection*

- Facilitation of 10 children's clubs in disadvantaged neighbourhood (226 children peer educators).
- Implementation of the self-protection programme against sexual abuse and exploitation in 15 other schools, involving 620 children (including 210 peer educators).

### *Training of child protection stakeholders on sexual exploitation*

- Facilitation of 4 multi-stakeholders workshops (social services, law enforcement and health services) to improve the identification and care of victims, 130 participants.
- Organisation of 8 intergenerational workshops to facilitate local responses to the issues of children's vulnerabilities, 217 participants.

- Organisation of 5 days with local advisory committees to facilitate the implementation of local action plans.

### *Mobilisation of decision makers on the issue of child sexual exploitation*

- Presentation of the National Action Plan to the heads of children's services departments in 47 counties.
- Organisation in April 2016 of a national workshop to monitor the National Action Plan against child sexual exploitation in Kenya and appointment of a working group constituted of 14 people from several State Departments and civil society afterwards.
- Organisation of 3 workshops with the working group to assess the progress of the implementation of the 2013-2017 National Action Plan and prepare the matrix for a future 2018-2022 Action Plan.



## REPERES - RWANDA

ECPAT France has supported Point d'Ecoute since 2011 for the creation of a reintegration mechanism so that highly vulnerable young people can build a dignified path in life. Point d'Ecoute works with families to ensure that they will respect the rights of their children to schooling and protect them from the worst forms of exploitation. The activities below were implemented by Point d'Ecoute in Gisenyi, Ngororero and Gatumba.

### ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

#### *Care and reduction of risky behaviours*

- Organisation of meetings with 117 street children and 31 girls victims of sexual abuse around discussions on STI, drugs, children's rights, maternity, hygiene, etc.

#### *Socioeconomic reintegration*

- 143 children enrolled in school, 30 young people completed vocational training and 18 received support to start a revenue-generating activity.

#### *Family reunification and support for parents*

- 40 children reunited with their families.
- 101 parents gathered in 4 associations to improve their living conditions (1 new association created in 2016).

#### *Mobilisation of children and training on self-protection*

- Organization of holiday camps in 3 primary schools during the holidays for 1480 children.
- 116 children were trained on self-protection against sexual violence.

#### *Public information campaign against sexual violence*

- Facilitation of 1 workshop with 38 women in situation of prostitution to identify a prevention message. They chose to speak to their communities with the following message "children, girls and boys, have the same rights. Respect them and treat them as equals".



# REPERES - OUGANDA

ECPAT France's support through REPERES programme enabled UYDEL association to carry on reintegration activities with young girls and boys exposed to or victims of prostitution in Kampala, to rehabilitate its drop-in centres and its vocational training centre, to support the most vulnerable parents and to mobilise State services to ensure the enforcement of the laws. In parallel, our partner UCRNN (Uganda Child Rights NGO Network, representing the ECPAT network in Uganda) coordinated a working group gathering other civil society stakeholders to advocate for the revision of the normative framework on child protection.

## ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

### Care and reduction of risky behaviours

- Support for 234 young people in drop-in centres (health care, psychosocial support, strengthening of prevention capacities, education on rights).
- Vocational training for 200 young people and support for the income-generating activities of 78 stabilised young people.
- Monitoring of 90 children reintegrated during the previous programme (2011-2014).

### Mobilisation of children and training on self-protection

- Dissemination of a peer education programme on self-protection for young people between 14 and 20 years old: 687 young people empowered by the peer educators trained.

### Family reunification and support to parents

- Implementation of the "Family Therapeutic Approach" programme with 51 parents and positive education for 254 parents (non-violent education).

- 41 parents were supported to form cooperatives in order to improve their economic conditions (start-up grants for revenue generating activities, technical and entrepreneurship support).

*"N. holds a small catering stand in Kalerwe. She started with a capital of 200,000 shillings (50 Euros). Every day, she buys supplies for 40,000 shillings (10 Euros) and makes a 3,000 to 5,000 shilling (1-2 Euros) profit. She saves 2000 shillings each day (50 Euro cents)."*  
- Monitoring report from UYDEL staff member

### Training of child protection stakeholders on sexual exploitation

- Training of 193 stakeholders (law enforcement, governments, social workers) on how to deal with sexually exploited children.

### Mobilisation and awareness raising of adults

- Organisation of 5 forum-theatres and 2 radio-broadcasts to raise awareness among communities on their role in the fight against the sexual exploitation of children.
- Dissemination of a public campaign with the distribution of tee-shirts, posters and stickers.

### Mobilisation of decision makers on the issue of child sexual exploitation

*In 2015, 2 position papers were issued to strengthened the "Children Act Amendment Bill"*

In 2016, advocacy efforts paid off: the Ugandan government amended the law and included an article specific to the protection of children against sexual exploitation.





# THE BOOK OF TESTIMONIES

GIVING VOICE  
TO CHILDREN

The book of testimonies tells the lives of 16 adolescents and young adults who survived sexual exploitation in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania and Madagascar. These teenagers raise questions about our society regarding the following situations: girls who do not have access to school, women rejected by their husbands because they do not give birth to boys, men who do not care about their children's future...

Their stories are just as poignant as they are disturbing. Poignant; because at their age, they have already battled the flames of hell. Disturbing; because the immense majority of states have committed since 1989 to ensure that all children have access to education and are protected from all forms of violence and exploitation.

The young women and men that share their life stories in this book are between 16 and 21 years old. They participate in social rehabilitation and reintegration programmes from the local organizations Undugu Society of Kenya (USK), UYDEL (Uganda Youth Development Link), FSCE (Forum on Sustainable Child Empowerment), Kiwohede (Kiota Women's Health and Development Organization) and ECPAT France in Madagascar.

This book of testimonies has allowed these young people to be given a voice. The purpose of this book is to remind States of the urgent need to respect their commitment to protecting children.



Download the  
Book

# GLOBAL SURVIVORS' FORUM



On 18th November, to celebrate the European Day on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse, ECPAT International convened the first global forum for adults survivors of childhood sexual exploitation and abuse.

The purpose of this forum was to formulate political demands on States coming from a global movement of survivors of sexual exploitation and abuse from all over the world.

The survivors asked for a better access to justice by emphasizing the need for a more empathetic approach from magistrate and child's hearing techniques, greater public awareness to reduce stigma, fairer access to State support to facilitate the return of trafficking victims to their country and more public aid for recovery.

In the lead-up to the Forum, REPERES programme partners held national consultations with survivors who benefited from their previous projects. These consultations provided crucial inputs to decide on the Forum's agenda and to prioritise the issues for a collective advocacy.

In parallel of the forum, an exposition was organised at the Council of Europe to display the expression of children survivors of sexual exploitation through drawings, written messages and photography.

\* The term “survivor” is used in the field of child protection and regarding the fight against gender violence to refer to people who were subjected to exploitation/abuse. It highlights their resilience, their capacity to “survive to”, meaning to go on with their lives.



## SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS ON CSEC IN IVORY COAST

As part of REPERES programme, ECPAT France, ECPAT Luxembourg, ECPAT International and SOS Violences Sexuelles commissioned a situational analysis on the sexual exploitation of children in Ivory Coast.

The study presents the following overview:

- Prostitution is the main manifestation of sexual exploitation situations encountered during the analysis, and affects both girls and boys. The social tolerance towards sexual exploitation is strong:  
*"Well, a 12 year-old girl who goes with a man, with her consent, it's normal in the mountainous region, that's it."*  
 - A police officer

- 53% of the children interviewed were pupils or students at the moment of the survey, and 82.4% of them had exchanged sexual services *"to pay for my education"*.
- 62% of the victims consulted have an intermediary (natural person) who lives on income from child prostitution.  
*"We usually don't stay more than two years here, our manager always brings new girls because the clients want fresh girls... I was in Sassandra when one of my tanties offered me to do that so I could take care of my daughter and my mom"*  
 - A girl surveyed in Marcory
- 2.8% of the children surveyed confessed to being involved in the production of sexual exploitation material that could likely circulate on the Internet:  
*"He came to see me, he told me that his white friend wanted to film us while making love and that if I accepted, he'd give me 500,000F of the 2,000,000F the white guy would give him. I said yes."*  
 - A girl surveyed in Grand-Bassam

The document also presents the legislation and the responses put in place by the State. It introduces the priority recommendations identified by Ivorian stakeholders.



# VISA

## TRAVEL, INFORM, EDUCATE AND ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

Child sexual exploitation in travel and tourism is a particular form of sexual exploitation of children. It is distinguished because it requires specific responses in terms of international judicial cooperation, the role of the private sector, community prevention, etc.

ECPAT France and ECPAT Luxembourg have been fighting this scourge for many years and as such, have developed several tools, experiences and expertise on the subject. They are committed to sharing them and to adapt them to the different contexts where this issue may appear in order to act on risk prevention, to protect and reintegrate child victims and to prosecute perpetrators.

VISA project aims at fighting against child sexual exploitation in travel and tourism, particularly by supporting destination countries (Morocco and Burkina Faso) to report cases in order to improve the protection of children and the prosecution of perpetrators.

To this end, ECPAT France and ECPAT Luxembourg wish to:

- Promote prevention and awareness-raising in order to strengthen vigilance on this topic among the population and the private sector, key lever of the fight against this scourge.
- Implement effective protection measures by training different stakeholders, such as the police forces, so that the reporting of cases does not fail because of lack of coordination or knowledge of procedures.
- Facilitate the rehabilitation of children victims by supporting local civil society.



This programme is co-financed by the Department of Development, Cooperation and Humanitarian action of the Luxembourg Foreign and European affairs Ministry, ECPAT Luxembourg and Air France.

## VISA - BURKINA FASO

Since November 2014, ECPAT France and ECPAT Luxembourg office in Ouagadougou, in partnership with KEOOGO, has been implementing a multi-sectoral programme aimed to combat the sexual exploitation of children, particularly by increasing the reporting of cases through the mobilisation of the hotel and police sectors.

### ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

#### *Mobilisation of tourism stakeholders in Burkina Faso*

- Official launch of the “Code of Conduct of the tourism industry against the sexual exploitation of children” by the Ministry of Culture, Arts and Tourism.
- 1 broad awareness campaign with 15 billboards in 1 month, 2300 posters and 1300 key-rings.
- 1 training session organised for 12 trainers of the Ministry who in turn facilitated 6 sessions for 178 tourism agents over the last 6 months.



#### *Awareness-raising activities*

*In 2015, a peer education programme on sexual violence was developed. It was implemented in 2016:*

- 63 peer educators were trained in 2016 and in turn facilitated 88 sessions with 1765 young people.
- 10 theatre-forum performances opened dialogue with 2700 people.
- 420 community leaders were trained to disseminate prevention messages in their communities.

#### *Law enforcement training*

*In 2015, Francopol coordinated the creation of a training module on the hearing of child victims. In 2016, the training was implemented:*

- 3 training sessions facilitated by 2 Francopol experts were organised for 70 police officers.
- 20 police-trainers were identified to conduct sessions internally.

#### *Rehabilitation and reintegration of children exposed to or victims of sexual exploitation*

- 1700 girls victims or highly vulnerable to sexual exploitation were approached during social street work sessions .
- 319 girls were referred to protection services (health care, accommodation, psychosocial care, vocational training, literacy or refresher courses, legal support).

## VISA - MOROCCO

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### ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

#### *Mobilisation of tourism stakeholders*

- 1 training of trainers session for 11 staff members of the ACCOR group enabled the training of 150 ACCOR hotel employees.
- 250 leaflets distributed to taxi drivers.
- 3 consultation workshops organised to produce a handbook of procedures for the reporting of cases of sexual exploitation and to look after children in Marrakech.

#### *Awareness-raising activities*

- 1 training session on sexual violence with 15 participants to better identify and refer a victim as well as prevent sexual violence against children; more than 20,000

prevention materials given to partner organisations.

- 8338 young people and 1084 parents informed on sexual violence by partner organizations.

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ECPAT International conducted a regional Middle-East – North Africa study on sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism. As part of VISA project, the study was translated into French and printed in 200 copies. It was presented during a national conference to 85 members of State departments and the civil society.





# PROGRAMME TOOLS

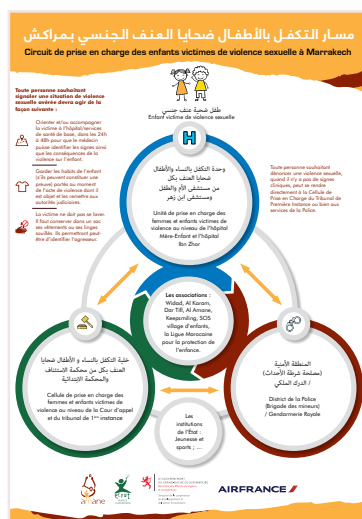
## AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Flyer for tourists travelling to Morocco



## TOOLS FOR PROFESSIONALS

Morocco



Burkina Faso



## OTHER PROJECTS



## NIGER - 3P Project

Since 2011, ECPAT France and ECPAT Luxembourg have supported ANTD, an affiliated member of the ECPAT network.

The project named “Prevention, Protection and Advocacy against child sexual exploitation in Niger” (“3P” in French) started in 2016. It aims to reinforce community-based child protection mechanisms and strengthen the care of girls in situation of prostitution in Niamey.

### ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

#### *Reinforcement of community-based child protection systems*

- 12 training sessions organised for 176 members of child protection village committees.
- 8 community projects aimed at improving the living conditions of the youth in the villages of the intervention areas were discussed and selected. They will be financed in 2017.
- 10 broadcasts were recorded on child protection issues and news and were transmitted by local radio stations with high ratings.
- 117 awareness sessions were organised in 30 villages to discuss local protection issues, gathering a total of 6172 people.

#### *Advocacy*

- Presentation of the study published in 2013 on child prostitution in Niamey and its link with child mobility to 24 stakeholders.

#### *Rehabilitation and reintegration of children and young people exploited in prostitution in Niamey*

- 1000 young girls met during the 82 social street work sessions carried out in 2016.
- 328 girls attended the 22 educational group sessions organized.
- 117 home visits conducted.
- 60 girls received health care and 2 benefited from medical assistance.
- 32 girls began vocational training corresponding to the new life project developed with ANTD teams and 7 reintegrated the formal education system.
- 10 girls placed in vocational training in 2015 were monitored and encouraged.
- 20 girls trained to manage their activity income.

#### *Support and reintegration of children on the move in border areas*

- 72 children intercepted by village committees received food assistance and 25 received a clothing kit.
- 49 children reunited with their families.
- 157 children placed in vocational training or apprenticeship during the previous programme were monitored by ANTD teams.
- 21 vulnerable children were sent back to school.

### FUNDING

Department of Development, Cooperation and Humanitarian action of the Luxembourg Foreign and European affairs Ministry.



# BRAZIL

## “Don’t Look Away”

ECPAT France has supported DPAC-Fronteira since 2015 to combat child sexual exploitation. The “Don’t Look Away” project (*Não Desvie o Olhar* in Portuguese) is located on the border between Guyana and Brazil, in the city of Oiapoque, near the river communities.

The first year saw the opening of a community drop-in centre for the most vulnerable families, the identification of children victims of sexual exploitation and the meeting with the relevant child protection stakeholders and local authorities.

During the second and last year, the projects results were met.

### ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

#### *Awareness-raising activities*

- 5 awareness sessions were held in schools to educate 1962 young people about the risks of sexual exploitation and to become agents of social change and of their own protection.
- 1400 flyers and awareness posters distributed to grassroots associations, communities, travellers, tourism and transport professionals, and displayed in many public and commercial places.
- 5600 community members informed via the awareness campaign and 5 community mobilisation days.

#### *Reinforcement of local protection systems*

- 14 consultation workshops were organised with local child protection agents and 2 new protection networks created.
- 90 intermediaries (oarsmen, hotel and bar staff members) were trained on the issue of sexual exploitation and informed about the penalties incurred by the perpetrators of child prostitution.
- More than 530 protection stakeholders (parents, teachers, police and oarsmen) were made aware.

#### *Rehabilitation and reintegration of children and family mediation*

- 187 children received listening and socio-educational support.
- 7 children were placed in vocational training.
- 1686 families were supported through family mediation.

#### *Reporting of potential exploitation cases*

- 27 cases of child victims of sexual exploitation reported over the year.

### FUNDING

European Union, Air France.





## MADAGASCAR

### “Don’t Look Away”

In Madagascar, ECPAT France office is leading a project to combat child sexual exploitation in travel and tourism. This project aims to stimulate a behavioural and attitude change among community agents and travellers in Madagascar by providing clear information on this form of sexual exploitation of children through adapted awareness tools and by mobilising the civil society (child protection NGOs, Internet café associations and sex workers’ rights defence associations), public authorities (Ministry of Population and Social Affairs, Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Antananarivo and Nosy Be urban municipalities), law enforcement (Malagasy and French Police), the private sector industry (telephone and Internet service providers) and the tourism sector (hotels) in order to empower them in the fight against the sexual exploitation of children in Antananarivo and Nosy Be.

This project, which began in November 2013, ended in July 2016.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

##### *Protection of children exploited in prostitution*

- Integration of 10 new children and 3 families into the reintegration programme in an open environment.
- Organisation of 86 counselling sessions, 9 artistic expression workshops, 10 mother-child workshops and 78 home visits to the 34 children monitored by ECPAT France in 2016.
- Support to partner centres ensuring the rehabilitation of the 33 children identified in 2015-2016.

101 children exploited in prostitution were rescued and reintegrated within the programme (2013-2016), either directly by ECPAT France team, or by our partner centres (ONG Manda, MANAODE, NRJ, ONG Tsiry, Aina Enfance association, and Avenir and KOLOAINA).



### Partnership with child protection centres

- 28 educational sessions led by TANDEM organisation's peer educators to 327 children in care centre.
- 1 reinforcement training session on child care for 13 social workers.

### Strengthening legal responses

- Online release of a self-training course on the reporting of sexual exploitation cases for tourism stakeholders in Malagasy.
- 1 training session for civil society agents (6 associations) on reporting procedures.
- 1 training session for 22 police officers facilitated by the OCRVP as part of the strengthening of judicial cooperation.
- 1 information campaign on reporting with 3750 posters stuck up before summer 2016.



During the project (2013-2016), 19 local hotels were trained on reporting in case of child sexual abuse, and more than 400 police officers were trained on legal mechanisms.

### Community prevention

- 640 community outreach sessions led in Antananarivo fokontany (21,000 people informed).
- 376 debates organised in 20 secondary schools, reaching more than 17,000 students.

### Documenting the influence of the Internet in the prostitution of children in Madagascar

- Publication of the results of the survey conducted among young people exploited in prostitution regarding their use of the Internet.
- Facilitation of a national conference on child sexual exploitation in the online environment.

### FUNDING

French Development Agency, European Union, Air France, Australian Aid.

### NEW PROJECT: ESCALE (SEPTEMBER 2016 - AUGUST 2019)

The "Don't Look Away" project was evaluated in August 2016. Based on lessons learned and recommendations from authorities, partners and beneficiaries, a second phase was formulated. The new 3-year project named "Preventing Sexual Exploitation of Children in Travel and Tourism on the island of Madagascar" was thus developed with the following objectives:

1. To reduce the demand for sexual relations with minors and protect children, particularly in urban and coastal areas;
2. To reintegrate children victims and ensure their access to justice and rehabilitation services.

The first 4 months of the project (September - December 2016) were focused on the development of partnerships and the definition of a monitoring framework.

### FUNDING

French Development Agency.



# THEY SUPPORT US

The greatest satisfaction an association can feel in terms of financial and operational support is to keep its donors and partners over time. On average, a project is funded for a two or three-year period. Nonetheless, renewing commitments in intervention countries and regions is vital over the long(er) term to ensure that the right of children to live free from sexual violence is respected.

The steadily-growing mobilisation of partners in the fight against the sexual exploitation of children remains ECPAT France's and the international network's top priority plan of action.

The dynamic that unites us is much more than a partnership or a funding; it is a way of seeing and building the world to which we all belong. A world that we will leave to younger generations.

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# FINANCIAL RESULTS

## 2016 FINANCIAL YEAR

The financial statements of ECPAT France are audited annually by the statutory auditor, Cabinet Farec. The financial statements are then published in the French Official Journal. The following presentation is a summary. This presentation complies with the accounting regulations specific to associations. It

specifically takes into account the impact of projects undertaken over several years (on average 2 to 3 years).

Projects co-funded by institutional donors are also subject to regular expenditure verification audits.

## Profit and loss account

In €	2016	2015	Var.
INCOME	K€	K€	K€
<i>Operating income</i>			
Operating grants	819	2 659	- 1 840
Write back of depreciation and provisions, cost transfers	15	14	2
Financial income	1	3	- 1
<b>Total (I)</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>2 675</b>	<b>- 1 839</b>
<i>Extraordinary income (II)</i>	0	0	0
<i>Carry forwards of funds not used in previous years (III)</i>	1 998	2 540	- 542
<b>Total assets (I+II+III)</b>	<b>2 834</b>	<b>5 215</b>	<b>- 2 381</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
<i>Operating expenses</i>			
Other external charges	355	393	- 37
Taxes and duty	5	6	- 1
Wages	292	298	- 7
Social security services	110	107	3
Depreciation	0	3	- 3
Provisions	10	0	10
Grants awarded by the association	757	1 323	- 566
<i>Financial expenses</i>			
<b>Total (I)</b>	<b>1 529</b>	<b>2 131</b>	<b>- 602</b>
<i>Extraordinary expenses (II)</i>	0	0	0
<i>Commitments to be discharged against allocated resources (III)</i>	1 296	3 036	- 1 740
<b>Total expenditure (I+II+III)</b>	<b>2 825</b>	<b>5 167</b>	<b>- 2 342</b>
<b>PROFIT/LOSS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>- 39</b>



The income statement presents the year's activity highlighting the main lines of income and expenses. Year-to-year fluctuations reflect the project cycle, with a renewal carried out every 3 to 4 years.

### **Income**

At 31/12/2016 funds amounted to 2,834 K€ as against 5,215 K€ at 31/12/2015, a decrease of 2,381 K€. This variation is mainly due to a decrease in operating grants (- 1,840 K€) and in carry forwards of funds not used in previous years (- 542 K€), in direct connection with the progress of the implementation of projects.

In 2015, ECPAT France signed a contract with the AFD for a 1,500 K€ grant for REPERES programme convention (see page 29) and with the European Union for a 360 K€ grant for the ReACT project.

Carry forward of funds not used in previous financial years comprises recoveries of dedicated funds recognized at the beginning of the financial year. It corresponds to funds set aside to cover the (present and future) costs of the projects that have not yet been disbursed at the start of the financial year.

### **Expenses**

Grants awarded by the association account for 50% of operating expenses. These are essentially transfers of funds made to local partners to implement projects. The decrease observed reflects the completion between the end of 2015 and mid 2016 of significant projects started in previous years (*Don't Look Away* projects respectively in Europe and in Madagascar).

Commitments to be discharged against allocated funds correspond to funds already received to be allocated to subsequent years of ongoing projects or projects planned but not yet finally put in place. The decrease reflects the project cycle, with a portfolio of projects essentially in the second phase of implementation by the end of 2016.

## Balance sheet

In €	2016 gross	Depr. & prov.	2016 Net	2015 Net	Variance
ASSETS	K€		K€	K€	
<i>Fixed assets</i>					
Tangible assets	16	16	0	1	0
<i>Current assets</i>					
Other receivables	1 055	0	1 055	1 488	- 434
Liquid assets	1 490	0	1 490	1 789	- 299
Cash	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Prepaid expenses</i>	3	0	3	2	1
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2 564</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2 548</b>	<b>3 280</b>	<b>- 732</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
<i>Equity</i>					
Association funds			346	298	48
Operating profit/loss			9	48	- 39
Provision for risks and charges			10	0	10
<i>Dedicated funds</i>			1 929	2 637	- 708
<i>Payables</i>					
Loans and similar debts			78	95	- 17
Accounts payables			51	45	7
Tax and social security			76	74	2
Other payables			47	75	- 28
<i>Deferred income</i>			0	8	- 8
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>			<b>2 548</b>	<b>3 280</b>	<b>- 732</b>

The balance sheet shows the position of ECPAT France at 31 December 2016.

### Assets

The association's assets are essentially made up of grants receivable ("other receivables") and cash.

Receivables from the European Union (189 K€) and AFD (591 K€) comprise 74% of other receivables. The decrease is due to the projects' progress and to transfers received from donors, especially for REPERES programme.

### Liabilities

Dedicated funds correspond to funds dedicated to the implementation of projects in coming years. The decrease is related to the progress of the projects with substantial budget such as REPERES programme.

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**RAPPORT DU COMMISSAIRE AUX COMPTES  
SUR LES COMPTES ANNUELS**

**Exercice clos le 31 décembre 2016**

Mesdames, Messieurs,

En exécution de la mission qui nous a été confiée par votre Assemblée Générale, nous vous présentons notre rapport relatif à l'exercice clos le 31 décembre 2016, sur :

- le contrôle des comptes annuels de l'Association ECPAT FRANCE, tels qu'ils sont joints au présent rapport,
- la justification de nos appréciations,
- les vérifications et informations spécifiques prévues par la loi.

Les comptes annuels ont été arrêtés par le Conseil d'Administration. Il nous appartient, sur la base de notre audit, d'exprimer une opinion sur ces comptes.



## **1 - OPINION SUR LES COMPTES ANNUELS**

Nous avons effectué notre audit selon les normes d'exercice professionnel applicables en France ; ces normes requièrent la mise en œuvre de diligences permettant d'obtenir l'assurance raisonnable que les comptes annuels ne comportent pas d'anomalies significatives. Un audit consiste à vérifier, par sondages ou au moyen d'autres méthodes de sélection, les éléments justifiant des montants et informations figurant dans les comptes annuels. Il consiste également à apprécier les principes comptables suivis, les estimations significatives retenues et la présentation d'ensemble des comptes. Nous estimons que les éléments que nous avons collectés sont suffisants et appropriés pour fonder notre opinion.

Nous certifions que les comptes annuels sont, au regard des règles et principes comptables français, réguliers et sincères et donnent une image fidèle du résultat des opérations de l'exercice écoulé ainsi que de la situation financière et du patrimoine de l'association à la fin de cet exercice.

## **2 - JUSTIFICATION DES APPRECIATIONS**

En application des dispositions de l'article L 823-9 du Code de Commerce relatives à la justification de nos appréciations, nous portons à votre connaissance les éléments suivants :

Les appréciations auxquelles nous avons procédé pour émettre l'opinion ci-dessus, ont porté notamment sur le caractère approprié et la correcte application des règles et principes comptables exposés dans l'annexe.

Les appréciations ainsi portées s'inscrivent dans le cadre de notre démarche d'audit des comptes annuels, pris dans leur ensemble, et ont donc contribué à la formation de notre opinion exprimée dans la première partie de ce rapport.

## **3 - VERIFICATIONS ET INFORMATIONS SPECIFIQUES**

Nous avons également procédé, conformément aux normes d'exercice professionnel applicables en France, aux vérifications spécifiques prévues par la loi.

Nous n'avons pas d'observation à formuler sur la sincérité et la concordance avec les comptes annuels des informations données dans le rapport financier du Conseil d'Administration et dans les documents adressés aux membres de l'association sur la situation financière et les comptes annuels.

Fait à Paris, le 14 avril 2017

Le commissaire aux comptes  
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