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Foreword

his 2019 annual report showcases the various projects ECPAT France has steered or been involved in, with a significant increase in the number of ongoing projects as well as partnerships agreements compared to 2018. Today we are able to submit this encouraging assessment thanks to the energy of our team in France, Burkina Faso and Madagascar, along with the quality of relationships with our technical partners and donors.

In line with the orientations of our 2018-2021 strategic framework, which is consistent with ECPAT International's vision, we have pursued our efforts and are still working with the same commitment, in France and abroad: to ensure the right of every child to live free from sexual exploitation and any form of exploitation. This has resulted in concrete child protection missions, in synergy and in cooperation with public action.

In the context of the health crisis we are currently experiencing, our presence on the field with children and families is more essential than ever. Today's "field" includes the digital environment and its hidden face, the dark web, which unfortunately is constantly expanding. For those following our activity closely, you will notice in this report's pages more references to online child sexual exploitation. At the time of writing, the early months of the COVID-19 epidemic have seen an exponential increase in child sexual abuse material on the Internet, hastening a trend already observed. This cannot go unpunished and the mobilisation of all is needed to protect our children "here and there", in countries affected by poverty and state fragility.

Let's not forget that the year 2019 was also marked by the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. On this occasion, ECPAT France joined the "*Dynamique de la Convention aux Actes*" (Dynamics from the Convention to action), with a political event in which 12 deeds were handed over to public authorities to put children at the heart of public policy.

Child protection must be the concern of everyone, starting with families who have the prime responsibility. Our work is complementary, when families have not been able or didn't know how to tackle insidious, manipulative or aggressive actions to exploit children.

Our commitment and that of all those who support us must be commensurate with our anger, when we know and see what heinous predators are capable of imagining.

Do not hesitate to join us!

Philippe Chevillard ECPAT France president

2019 in figures



Staff numbers in France and abroad including **18 women**



Acting for Life staff members providing administrative and financial functions to ECPAT



60

Operational partnerships



French collectives or networks of which ECPAT is a member



Reports on the implementation of conventions



10 Meetings with the Government or with independent bodies



2019 Budget 4 305 976

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Total funding obtained on ongoing projects in 2019



What happened in 2019?

30 January

Issuance of Decree No. 2019-57, tightening the access of unaccompanied minors to child protection through the introduction of a minority evaluation support file as new diagnostic procedure. The purpose and use of this biometric file were deemed contrary to the best interests of the child by 19 organisations, unions and foundations.

5 February

Internet Day », a global event organised every year by the Insafe/ Inhope European network on February aiming to promote a better Internet for young people. In 2019, in France, the Safer Internet Day's topic on screen time ("Screens, others and me") opened a month of awareness campaign on risks and good practices in the online environment.

13February

GRETA reminded the French government of the urgent need to strengthen child trafficking prevention as well as the identification and protection of child victims, including unaccompanied and separated children, in accordance with France's commitments.

21 March

French constitutional court considered that the law permitting the use of bone tests to assess the age of foreigners claiming to be unaccompanied minors, is consistent with the Constitution. However, their reliability is disputed by the scientific community as well as many national and international organisations and institutions.

30 March

French police detained a French expatriate in Singapore accused of several rapes and sexual assaults on children in South-East Asia,

particularly in Thailand.

http://www.leparisien. <u>fr/faits-divers/un-</u> professeur-de-francaissoupconne-d-avoir-viole-50-enfants-enasie-05-04-2019-8047209. php

7 May

French National Assembly adopted the draft law intended to strengthen the support of vulnerable young adults towards autonomy, in a new version excluding a great number of young people who have not been under the care of child social services for 18 months, exposing them to higher risk of isolation and exploitation.

17 May

The "Out of the shadow" Index was extended to 20 new countries. This global index examines how countries are responding to the threat of sexual violence against children according to several criteria (60 countries covered).

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The Lanzarote Committee adopted an Opinion on child sexually suggestive or explicit images and/or videos generated, shared and received by children. The Committee stated that children should be considered as victims and not be subject to criminal prosecution. In 2018, a quarter of online child sexual material was initially "self-generated" by children.

19 June

INHOPE launched its 2019 Annual Report, France being 2nd in the European ranking and 4th in the world ranking on the hosting of child sexual abuse material.

7 July

Billionaire Jeffrey Epstein was charged for trafficking of children for sexual exploitation in New York. He committed suicide in prison.

16 October

The Council of State tightened French national asylum court (CNDA)'s jurisprudence on the asylum granted to Nigerian victims of trafficking from Edo State. Refugee status can now only be granted if the applicants can prove that they have been completely removed from the network.

18 October

Launch of the Second Action Plan against Trafficking in human beings, awaited for almost three years by victims and all those fighting against trafficking.

21 October

The Lanzarote Committee recalled the responsibilities of governments to protect children in outof-home care from sexual exploitation and abuse. In France, the broadcast of the investigation called "Enfants placés : les sacrifiés de la République" (Children in care: forgotten by the Republic) in the television show "Pièces à conviction", coupled with several cases of prostitution of children in care, shed light on the urgent need for action in this particular area.

20 November

The anniversary date of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child saw the launch of the National plan to combat violence against children in France. On the same day, a motion for a European Parliament resolution was tabled on children's rights, which called for an effective and coordinated response to child sexual abuse, including online, in particular through the creation of a EU child protection centre.

https://www.europarl. europa.eu/doceo/ document/B-9-2019-0180 EN.html

4 December

Missing Children Europe organised a political event on the issue of missing unaccompanied minors once in Europe (at least 30,000 children have gone missing between 2014 and 2017) and the urgent need to improve cross-border cooperation to protect them against human trafficking.

Our projects

The projects presented in this report have been initiated, funded and operated by, with and thanks to other French, European and Southern organisations (see Partnerships).



Insight into our work: a selection of 12 activities

January

ECPAT France deployed a new team in Burkina Faso's eastern region affected by mass population movements caused by insecurity. ECPAT France's office in Burkina Faso initiated the Assistance and Protection for Children on the Move project, in partnership with UNICEF. The project aims to support 1,000 children over a period of 2 years.

March

PACKING project partners (CNRS, IFRA, association les Amis du Bus des Femmes and ECPAT France) organised a technical conference on "Neo-traditional temples, women's clubs and cultist groups in Edo State and their links with human trafficking networks between Nigeria and Europe". Hosted by Paris City Hall, the event provided the opportunity to share the findings of PACKING project investigations (available on line on ECPAT France and IFRA websites).







February

ECPAT France participated in the exchanges organised in Paris by GRETA experts to discuss the implementation of the most urgent recommendations made in their <u>second report on France</u> (March 2017). ECPAT France strives to contribute to follow-up mechanisms to monitor the implementation of international conventions, in this case the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings.

April

The RISE learning network, UYDEL and ECPAT France published participatory research a carried out in Madagascar and Uganda (available on our website). Thanks to the collaboration between fieldbased NGOs and researchers, sexual exploitation survivors collected the experience and feelings of children and young people confronted with this issue. They speak about the support services they received.

May

The trial of Mr Z., accused of resorting to "live streaming" in Romania, opened in Grenoble. "Live streaming" stands for the live transmission of child sexual abuse, often through a streaming platform. ECPAT France is an interested party. The trial was followed by the TV show *Sept à huit*, which denounced this phenomenon well established in the paedophiles' sphere through a report entitled "*Viols sur commande*" (Rape on demand) (broadcast in September 2019).

July

ECPAT France launched a new project against online sexual exploitation of children in Madagascar, in partnership with UNICEF. The organisation invited ECPAT Mauritius to capitalise on their experience in terms of prevention with children and families in disadvantaged neighbourhoods. The production of child sexual material and live streaming child abuse are becoming a growing practice in tourist countries where the state is fragile.









June

ECPAT France participated in the international seminar organised by the French Ministry of Interior, in connexion with Europol in Singapore. 4-day During the workshop, a hundred specialists from 24 countries, including 15 countries from South and South-East Asia, reflected on solutions to strengthen international cooperation in the fight against child sexual exploitation by offenders acting abroad and/ or online, especially through live streaming.

August

ECPAT France team in Madagascar facilitated the first multi-stakeholder workshop to share the data gathered by the research team on the prevalence of sexual violence in six coastal cities. The goal is to highlight the causes of violence related to traditional norms and practices in targeted communities. The production of scientific data to mobilise community and public action is an important part of ECPAT France's work.

September

ECPAT France contributed to a round table discussion between professionals (magistrates, specialised police, regulatory authorities, child protection ministries) from 30 African countries to fight against online child sexual exploitation. The 3-day meeting organised by the African Union mobilised the WePROTECT Global Alliance partners to share best practices, infrastructures and policies in place to tackle this issue at both national and regional levels.

November

On the occasion of World Travel Market London, ECPAT France took part in the international promotion of <u>dontlookaway</u>, <u>report</u>, the reporting platform for suspected cases of child sexual exploitation already operational in 20 countries, with the aim of promoting a new "reporting culture" among travellers and tourism professionals.







October

Madagascar civil society platform for childhood, of which ECPAT France is a member, submitted its alternative report to the Committee on the Rights of the Child. This collective report comments on the statement handed over by the Malagasy State on the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child and its Optional Protocol on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography.

December

SPReNe association. the Department of the North' unaccompanied minors services and ECPAT France organised the shooting of video testimonials from families fostering or having fostered unaccompanied minors in the department of the North, as well as testimonies of fostered young people. Their contributions were included in the mobile learning training developed in partnership with professionals from two other departments (Isère and Pas de Calais) for families planning to foster an unaccompanied minor. Some beautiful encounters.





Our change goals

The ECPAT network has identified several key areas of intervention to end the sexual exploitation of children. Our projects aim at contributing to these change goals.

Reducing demand for sexual intercourse with children, through research on perpetrators' behaviours and the means they use.

Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices promoting the protection of children against sexual exploitation.

Strengthened legislation and justice systems, through support to reinforce national response and law enforcement, and engagement with global and regional bodies to promote and protect rights.

Promoting legal, recovery and reintegration and other social services and support for children.

Reduced risks and vulnerability of children to sexual exploitation, in a context of rapid changes in technology, services and infrastructure, through the innovative use of technology and the promotion of corporate social responsibility.

Strengthened leadership, policies, systems and resource allocation to address the sexual exploitation of children at global and national levels.

Reduced poverty and economic conditions that increase children's vulnerability to sexual exploitation and promote perpetration at all levels.

FRANCE - EUROPE КОИТСНА project

Partners: Koutcha Association (France), Centre Esperanto (Belgium)



Funding: European Commission

This project aims to improve reception and accommodation conditions for children suspected of being victims of trafficking in Europe, especially those subjected to criminal networks.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Promoting recovery and reintegration services

Exchange visits between professionals from Koutcha association and Esperanto Centre; organisation of an extended exchange workshop with professionals working with child victims of trafficking from 8 countries; Publication of a compiled practices report in French and English; Mobilisation of territorial and national stakeholders by Koutcha association for the opening of a centre dedicated to children victims of trafficking.

FRANCE SAFE II project

Partners: Departments of the North, Pas de Calais, Isère ADATE association, EBD Le Charmeyran, SPReNe association and the consultant Claudie Didier Sevet Funding: Foundations

Start of project: 1 January 2019

The project aims to develop foster care for unaccompanied minors. This is the second phase of a project started in 2018.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Promoting social services

3 interdepartmental workshops were organized to develop training tools; 1 Q&A guide for volunteer families fostering unaccompanied minors was produced (posted online in 2020); 1 mobile learning training for volunteer families fostering unaccompanied minors was designed, in conjunction with CAP project (online in 2020).

FRANCE CAP project

Funding: Foundations

Start of project: 1 October 2017

The project aims to improve the identification and referral of victims of trafficking, especially through capacity-building of professionals working with children and improved protection mechanisms.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Promoting recovery and reintegration services

976 professionals were informed or trained on trafficking issues during training sessions organised by ECPAT France and through interventions at conferences and seminars of third party organisations; 5,622 leaflets on rights for unaccompanied minors were distributed; 1 workshop was organised with professionals from 3 French departments involved in SAFE II project to develop a mobile learning training for families fostering unaccompanied minors.

Strengthened legislation and justice systems

Involvement in government-established consultations; participation in the development of collective positioning (Together against trafficking group); participation in the workshop organised by UNODC to strengthen the fight against organised crime, especially against trafficking for the purpose of forced criminality through enhanced cooperation in South-Eastern Europe.

(D) Strengthened leadership

Advocacy for a second National Action Plan; Participation in the EU civil society platform against trafficking in human beings.



Partnership with Teach On Mars

ECPAT France is actively committed to digital training through a partnership with Teach On Mars. Teach on Mars is a mobile training platform whose expertise and services enable ECPAT France to offer new forms of learning and reach new audiences. The catalogue currently includes 2 training courses: Identifying and Protecting (access limited to professionals), online since 2018, and a new training course on fostering unaccompanied minors, launched thanks to the resources and partnerships mobilised in CAP and SAFE II projects, with access limited to targeted families. ECPAT France is planning on developing its catalogue in the coming years.

FRANCE CLICK@BLE project Make children able to click free from cyber sexual violence

Partners: e-Enfance, Génération
Numérique, Point de Contact

Funding: EU

Start of project: 1 September 2019

Implemented in France and overseas, the purpose of CLICK@ABLE project are threefold: (1) to empower children so that they are able to claim their right to live free from all forms of online sexual violence; (2) to increase stakeholders' capacities to address issues related to cyber sexual violence; (3) to promote reporting and increase the number of reports made to Net Ecoute helpline and Point de Contact hotline.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

Production of two information leaflets and two posters aimed at children aged between 8 and 18 on online sexual violence; Development of a training module on online sexual violence; Launching of a baseline study to better understand children's behaviour online; Start of awareness sessions in metropolitan France in primary, middle and high schools facilitated by Génération numérique and e-enfance.

Strengthened legislation and justice systems

Update of Point de Contact white paper for multidisciplinary front line professionals.



EUROPE CAPISCE project

Partners: EULITA, ECPAT Italy, ECPAT Belgium, DCI-ECPAT Netherlands



Funding: EU

Start of project: 1 October 2019

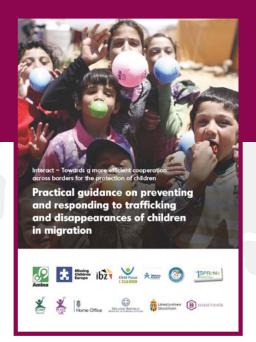
The general objective of CAPISCE project (Child victims of trafficking: Access to Protection and Information based on their Specific needs during Criminal investigation and procEedings) is to strengthen the application of the EU criminal law in the area of the rights of child victims of trafficking. It aims to enhance interpreters' status, expertise and mission regarding the protection of child victims of trafficking and to develop comparative research on the protection of victims of trafficking during criminal investigations and proceedings in 4 European countries.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

During the first months of the project, the launching workshop was held along with a consultation workshop with professionals on the issues related to interpreting in procedures involving victims of trafficking in France.

AMINA – Missing Children Europe

In 2018, ECPAT France participated in the AMINA programme, more specifically in its INTERACT component. In 2019, Missing Children Europe produced the INTERACT report on the lessons learned from the fictive simulations that took place in 6 European including France. countries Missina children Europe also published a Practical guidance on preventing and responding to trafficking and disappearances of children in migration addressed at European stakeholders. On 2-4 December 2019 in Brussels, Missing Children Europe organised a training session on this practical guidance and a political event to call for better cooperation between countries to ensure child protection.



FRANCE - EUROPE ALERT ACTORS REPORT Project

Partners: ECPAT Austria, ECPAT Belgium, ECPAT Germany, DCI-ECPAT Netherlands.

Funding: EU

Start of project: 1 September 2018

Alert Actors Report project has 3 main objectives: to build a strong and protective environment in the travel and tourism sector for children against sexual exploitation through increased travellers' awareness, training of tourism professionals and future professionals, and private sector commitment; to strengthen cooperation between stakeholders in 5 European countries; and to improve reporting mechanisms to better understand reports of child sexual exploitation, especially by developing quality standards and training for professionals.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

Launching of a research in 5 countries to understand the barriers to reporting child sexual exploitation in travel and tourism; Opening of the international reporting platform <u>dontlookaway.report</u>.

Participation in the World Tourism Fair with more than 500 visitors made aware on our stand; 2 ad inserts on the fight against child sexual exploitation in "*Le Petit Futé*" and Viatao travel guides; More than 400,000 people reached through the promotion of the wining material of "Don't Look Away" student contest to fight against child sexual exploitation in travel and tourism.



Promoting private sector commitment

384 tourism students in France were informed on the issue of child sexual exploitation in travel and tourism in 2019 (850 since the start of the project); 1 intervention with international tourism professionals in Monaco during a training event on ethical and sustainable tourism; 1 new member of "The Code" in France: Evaneos.

FRANCE - NIGERIA PACKING project

Partners: Amis du Bus des Femmes, CNRS, IFRA, Girls Power Initiative

Funding: EU

Start of project: 1 January 2017

The project aims to prevent and protect girls and young women fro Edo region in Nigeria against violence, particularly against human trafficking for sexual purposes. The project plans to develop a community-based information campaign, to support girls at risk of departing or of revictimisation, and to improve knowledge on trafficking networks.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Strengthened justice systems Publication of a report on the

involvement of Ladies' clubs, shrines and cultist groups in the trafficking in (https://ecpat-france. human beings fr/www.ecpat-france/wp-content/ uploads/2019/04/WEB rapport nigeria ENG.pdf); Release by IFRA of 4 research papers funded by the project; Organisation of a multi-stakeholder conference to present research findings generated through the project (94 participants from 52 organisations or institutions from France, Nigeria, Spain, Belgium, the Netherlands, Germany and the United States).

FRANCE - NIGERIA DON'T PAY WITH YOUR LIFE project

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Partners: Girls Power Initiative
(Nigeria), Uromi Justice
Development, Peace & Caritas
Initiatives (Nigeria), IFRA (Nigeria)
and ECPAT Luxembourg

Funding: AFD (acquired in 2020), ECPAT Luxembourg, Cooperation and Humanitarian action of the Luxembourg Foreign and European affairs Ministry.

Following on from Packing project (2017 - March 2019), Don't Pay With your Life project aims to fight against trafficking of Nigerian girls and young women for sexual exploitation purposes. It seeks to mobilise and build the capacities of communities in recruitment areas, particularly of young people, to get them involved in the fight against trafficking through information campaigns and support for local initiatives. It also provides for vulnerability reduction activities (mediation, support for vulnerable girls' school enrolment and reintegration of young repatriated girls).

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

The first months of the project focused on the development of awarenessraising tools.

MOROCCO PAX Project

Partners: ECPAT Luxembourg, ANIR, BAYTI, 100% mamans, AL KARAM, WIDAD, KEEP SMILING

Funding: AFD, ECPAT Luxembourg, Cooperation and Humanitarian action of the Luxembourg Foreign and European affairs Ministry

Start of project: 1 June 2017

The project aims to prevent and protect children and young people from sexual exploitation, especially in the context of travel and tourism in Morocco, by informing, mobilising, building capacity and coordinating key stakeholders. The objectives are to reduce the exposure of children and young people to sexual exploitation; to develop private sector commitment (particularly from the tourism industry) to the fight against this scourge; and to strengthen identification and reintegration mechanisms for victims.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

6 videos were developed with children to increase awareness among children, families and the general public on the issue of sexual exploitation; 1,159 girls and 1,187 boys were informed (information about their rights and self-protection programme); 339 families were sensitized to the issue and received information on how to better protect their children.

Promoting private sector commitment

253 students and 157 tourism professionals were trained on the issue of sexual exploitation in travel and tourism (demonstrations, reporting mechanisms, etc.).

Promoting recovery and reintegration services

44 boys victims of sexual violence were monitored by partner organisations; 18 child protection officers were trained on how to deal with cases of children victims of sexual exploitation.

MULTI-COUNTRY PARLE project



Partners: ECPAT Luxembourg/ECPAT International, ECPAT France offices in Burkina Faso and Madagascar, ANTD, ANPPCAN, CIFDHA, Communauté ABEL, KEOOGO, RISE Learning Network, SOS Violences sexuelles, UNDUGU Society of Kenya, UYDEL



Funding: AFD, Cooperation and Humanitarian action of the Luxembourg Foreign and European affairs Ministry, ECPAT International, Foundation of France, OIF

Start of project: 1 January 2018

This multi-country programme in Africa aims to reduce children's vulnerability to sexual exploitation, by involving children and young people in prevention and protection projects. Recommendations made by children, as well as other activities carried out as part of the programme will promote change in politics, laws and programmes to combat the sexual exploitation of children in Africa.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Promoting recovery and reintegration services

540 children victims of sexual exploitation were identified and referred to appropriate services (emergency services: food, health, psychosocial support, emergency accommodation, etc. and/or support services for sustainable reintegration: family reunification/mediation, placement in vocational training, backto-school help, support for young people and/or their guardians to develop incomegenerating activities, etc.); Publication of 2 participatory research studies to collect the feelings and opinions of children and young people regarding reintegration services in Uganda and Madagascar.

/ Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

12,798 children and young people were informed during social street work, event days and self-protection sessions (130 were trained as peer educators to disseminate prevention messages to other children and young people); 4,070 adults were sensitized to risk factors and their role in protecting children against sexual exploitation; 2 status reports on the sexual exploitation of children in Uganda and Senegal were produced.

Strengthened legislation and justice systems

10 child protection platforms were invested by partners to integrate the fight against sexual exploitation; 206 child protection professionnals were trained and reinforced on the care for child victims of sexual exploitation; The inclusion of a budget line for the fight against sexual exploitation in Niger's Communal Development plans was voted.

() Strengthened leadership

3 survivor forums were organised in Kenya, Uganda and Madagascar, with around 15 children or young victims/survivors invited to testify in the presence of decisionmakers from the respective countries; Video testimonials of young girls and boys victims/ survivors of sexual exploitation in 4 African countries (Niger, Burkina Faso, Mali, Ivory Coast) were produced.

BURKINA FASO APEM project Subregional project for Assistance and Protection of Children on the Move in Burkina Faso

This project is implemented by ECPAT France office team in Burkina Faso.

Partners: ECPAT France office in Burkina Faso, Social welfare services of targeted provinces (Tapoa, Gourma and Komandjari), communal and departmental services

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Funding: UNICEF

Start of project: 1 January 2019

The project aims to make children in migration corridors safer, through the implementation and reinforcement of local authorities' responses. It applies to 10 cities of Gourma, Tapoa and Komandjari provinces in Burkina Faso's eastern region.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Promoting recovery and reintegration services

Support for the development and implementation of 15 communal and 3 provincial child protection networks' action plans; 177 people (social workers, members of child protection networks including parents, security and justice staff, etc.) were trained and strengthened in their capacity to identify and care for children on the move and at risk of violence and abuse: they contributed to the identification and care of 703 boys and 772 girls, i.e. 1,475 children at risk on the move in the 3 partner provinces in the Eastern region; Organisation and equipment of a one-stop social services provider for children. 77 girls and 99 boys were identified and received emergency services.

Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

One awareness-raising and information material kit has been produced and distributed to teams on the field and partners, including families (this kit consists of 900 posters and 900 info rights cards); Educational capacity building for 240 parents from the close circle of children identified as victims or at risk of violence; 1,059 children (592 girls and 467 boys) undertook prevention activities ("self-protection").



MADAGASCAR ESCALE project

This project is implemented by ECPAT France office team in Madagascar.



Partners: Cœur et Conscience, SOS Village d'enfants Tuléar, CDEF, Association Tandem Analamanga, SOS Village d'Enfants Tananarivo, Association ManaoDE "Agir pour les Droits de l'Enfant", ONG Manda, ONG Tsinjo Manampy Ny Ankizy, ONG Aina "Enfance et avenir"

Funding: AFD, Australian Aid, SST Foundation

Start of project: 1 September 2016

The project aims to reduce the demand for sexual intercourse with minors by improving state and community-based child protection systems in tourist cities and enhancing reintegration and rehabilitation services.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

, Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

Translation and dissemination of the Responsible travellers' guide in Italian and English; 1,447 students and 1,674 young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods in Antananarivo and 120 young people from Toliara were informed on non-violent affective and sexual relationships; 2 new mothers' and fathers' associations (Antananarivo, Toliara) were trained to combat gender-based violence; 439 government officials in 4 cities were trained on child sexual exploitation law, reporting mechanisms and obligations, as well as potential remedies available to children to reduce the number of out-ofcourts settlements.

Promoting recovery and reintegration services

17 members of Nosy Be child protection networks were trained; 189 children were supported by protection stakeholders, referred to vocational training or enrolled in school.

Promoting private sector commitment

Tourism professionals: 224 future professionals were informed in Fianarantsoa, Antananarivo and Majunga; 49 working professionals were trained; 13 new structures joined the Code of Conduct; The media: dissemination in the media of a policy brief on children and childhood treatment by the media.

MADAGASCAR RANAVALONA project

This project is implemented by ECPAT France office team in Madagascar.



Partners: Association Tandem Analamanga, Association antiviolence, CDEF - Scout et Jeunes animateurs FISA, Coeur et Conscience, Voringeze association

Funding: UN trust fund to end violence against women

Start of project: 15 April 2017

The project seeks to support the reintegration and access to justice of young girls survivors of sexual exploitation, especially by encouraging their communities' understanding and involvement and by preventing violence.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

1 picture kit and 1 leaflet on violence against girls and women were produced as support for men's groups to raise awareness among their peers and communities; 5 new men's groups were created, for a total of 16 active men's groups monitored; 29 new children's clubs formed, for a total of 97 active clubs monitored; 77 community leaders were trained; 1,433 community members were informed.

Promoting recovery and reintegration services

18 new girls joined the programme, bringing the number of girls monitored to 96; 103 new social workers were trained on care techniques; new collaborations have been signed with other professionals such as lawyers, artists and psychologists.

Promoting private sector commitment

74 new journalists were trained; The Media was monitored through the Media Observatory and a policy brief regarding the treatment of information concerning women and girls was disseminated.



madagascar MIRALENTA project

This project is implemented by ECPAT France office team in Madagascar.

Partners: CDEF (Children's and families' rights collective), Association Tandem Analamanga, OSCAPE (Antsirabe civil society organisation for childhood), Voringeze, CJM (Consortium of Mahery Youth Associations), ALT (Andry Lalana Tohana), Association des Jeunes Anti-Violence, La FAFED (Federation of "Women and Development" associations), Tandem-Atsinanana



Funding: EU, AFD

Start of project: 1 February 2019

The project aims to ensure the right of every children to live free from sexual exploitation by promoting the emergence of a society committed to combating violence against girls in Madagascar. It builds on the mobilisation of community ambassadors to empower the witnesses of violence and cultivate positive attitudes towards children's and women's rights (in line with the strategies to end violence against children, INSPIRE, WHO, 2016), in partnership with Malagasy child protection stakeholders.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

A training module for young people and children in clubs was designed to learn how to deal with violence in the most private or family sphere and know the modes of action within their immediate circle; 43 clubs (860 children and young people) were created in Antananarivo, Mahajanga, Toamasina, Tôlanaro, Toliara, Morondava; 111 club supervising adults were trained to facilitate the programme. 540 young members are undergoing training in schools or in neighbourhoods (others will start in 2020).

A training module for men in action groups was designed on sexual violence and modes of action in communities. 107 future coaches of men's groups were trained to facilitate the training programme; 16 groups of 256 men were trained. 12 men's groups have started awareness-raising activities in their communities.

The time period enabled us to develop the following training tools: two facilitation guides for facilitators to train children/young people's clubs and men's groups, two booklets for young people and men, and a collection of traditional Malagasy tales revised from a gender perspective.

MADAGASCAR PAESEL Project Preventing online child sexual abuse and exploitation

This project is implemented by ECPAT France office team in Madagascar.

Partners: Association Tanora Garan'Teen

Funding: UNICEF

Start of project: 15 March 2019

Faced with rising risks of online child sexual exploitation and weak preventive measures in Madagascar, PAESEL project (Preventing online child sexual abuse and exploitation) aims to protect children from online sexual abuse and exploitation and punish perpetrators. More specifically, it intends to empower teenagers, children, families and all stakeholders working with and for children in terms of protection against online abuse and exploitation, as well as to assess the situation regarding this issue (by 2020).

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

Improved knowledge, attitudes and practices

Creation and dissemination of two training programmes (1 for children and 1 for parents and teachers) on online risks for children and on how to protect children against online abuse and exploitation, in partnership with different Ministries (Youth, Population, Education); Facilitation of 6 three-day training sessions (1 by region and 1 for Antananarivo metropolitan area), with a total of 52 facilitators trained (20 in Antananarivo metropolitan area, 6 in Majunga, 6 in Nosy Be, 8 in Toamasina, 6 in Toliara, 6 in Tôlanaro): Support for the planning and facilitation of 125 sessions with 34 children's groups to inform 1,250 children, 15 sessions with 250 teachers and 15 sessions with 250 parents.











Financial report

2019 financial year

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

	2019	2018	Var.
INCOME	K€	K€	K€
Operating income			
Production sold (goods and services)			
Operating grants	2,399	3,041	-642
Write back of depreciation and provisions, cost transfers	15	13	2
Financial income			0
Total (I)	2,414	3,054	-640
Extraordinary income (II)			0
Carry forward of funds not used in previous years (III)	1,907	1,902	5
Total assets (I+II+III)	4,321	4,956	-635
EXPENSES			
Operating expenses			
Other external charges	405	256	149
Taxes and duty	13	12	1
Wages	303	297	6
Social security services	111	124	-13
Depreciation	0	0	0
Provisions			0
Grants awarded by the association	1,728	1,615	113
Financial expenses			0
Total (I)	2,560	2,304	256
Extraordinary expenses (II)			0
Commitments to be discharged against allocated resources (III)	1,746	2,610	-864
Total expenditure (I+II+III)	4,306	4,913	-607
PROFIT/LOSS	15	43	-28

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

The income statement presents the year 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 31/12/2019 funds amounted to $\notin 4,321k$ as against $\notin 4,956k$ at 31/12/2018, which resulted in a decrease of $\notin 635k$. This variation is mainly due to a decrease in operating grants (- $\notin 642k$). Fewer new projects have started in 2019.

In 2019, the most significant new projects initiated are the following:

- ✓ MIRALENTA project ("Mobilise, involve and strengthen local stakeholders, including children, to become activists and ambassadors") (€526k) co-funded by the European Union (€374k) and implemented in Madagascar for a period of 3 years.
- ✓ CLICKABLE project to fight against online sexual violence and gender-based violence (€890k) co-funded by the European Union (€712k) and implemented in France and Belgium
- ✓ CAPISCE project aimed to improve access to information and protection for children

victims of trafficking in the context of legal proceedings (€604k) co-funded by the European Union (€484k) and implemented in France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Italy.

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 66% of operating grants. These are essentially transfers of funds made to local partners to implement projects.

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 increase reflects the start of new projects over the year.

	2019 gross €k	Depr. & prov.	2019 Net €k	2018 Net €k	Variance K€
ASSETS					
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	17	16	1	1	0
Current assets			-	-	0
Other receivables	685		685	1,147	-462
Liquid assets	2,775		2,775	2,404	371
Cash				-	0
Prepaid expenses	3		3	3	0
TOTAL ASSETS	3,480	16	3,464	3,551	-87
LIABILITIES					0
Equity					0
Association funds			443	400	42.7
Operating profit/ loss			15	43	-28
Provisions for risks and charges					0
Dedicated funds			2,808	2,969	-161
Payables					0
Loans and similar debts			75	50	25
Accounts payables			64	16	47.8
Tax and social security			55	76	-21
Other payables			4	-	0
Deferred income				-	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES			3,464	3,555	-90.5

BALANCE SHEET

The balance sheet shows the position of ECPAT France at 31 December 2019.

Assets

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

Receivables from the European Union (€654k) comprise 95% of other receivables.

The decrease is partly caused by the reception of the last transfer for PARLE programme co-funded by the French Development Agency, which will end in 2020.

Liabilities

Dedicated funds correspond to funds dedicated to the implementation of projects in coming years.

Their decrease (+5%) is due to a higher consumption of dedicated funds generated by new projects started in 2019.

Loans and similar debts correspond to two bank accounts receivable as at 31/12/2018, with no impact on the overall cash position as they are included in the globally positive merger of the accounts set up for cash permanent monitoring.



Partnerships





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