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EU Kids Online seeks to enhance knowledge of European children’s use, risk and safety online

What’s new?

**Children’s Safety on the Internet: a guide to stakeholders**

- In this interactive guide we map the key stakeholders in UK, EU and internationally, who are working to ensure child safety online.
- Check it out, send us suggestions, even create a guide for your own country.

**Net Children 2020 – Growing up with Media**

- Digital media pose new challenges to children in their roles as users needing protection, as media consumers and as responsible citizens of the future.
- This European expert conference will be held on how they can be supported in their range of roles. The conference will develop a roadmap of future actions to foster media education and the protection of children.
and youths at the national and European levels.

- Interested stakeholders are invited to register at www.netchildren2020.eu

**Evaluation of EU Kids Online**

- We are delighted to report that, following a review of our work from 2011-2014 by an independent expert, the European Commission has found that:

  “The EU Kids Online network has performed excellently. The documentation demonstrates that the specific objectives and performance indicators have all been exceeded. All the deliverables are well written, accessible and provide an excellent presentation of the empirical research and analyses undertaken by the network. The specified dissemination activities have been carefully planned to ensure the widest possible audience for the outputs of the network.”

**Digitally Connected: Global Perspectives on Youth and Digital Media**

- EU Kids Online collaborated with PEW Internet, EU Kids Online, the Internet Society (ISOC), Family Online Safety Institute (FOSI), and YouthPolicy.org on the event that brought together international scholars, policy makers, practitioners and youth.

- The publication contains many short and informative essays, edited by Sandra Cortesi and Urs Gasser, Berkman Center for Internet and Society.

- It can be freely downloaded from here

**Parenting for a Digital Future**

- This new blog responds to news, public debates and popular culture about parenting and digital media, using evidence from current research and ongoing fieldwork, while guest bloggers from around the world share their research and insights into parenting and digital media in truly diverse contexts.

- Check it out at www.parenting.digital – contributions most welcome too.

**Don’t forget:**

**Mobile Opportunities: exploring positive mobile media opportunities for European children**

- What benefits are children gaining from the internet? See our report on Mobile Opportunities, and read Sonia Livingstone’s blog post on the highlights.

- The report asks how to create a better internet for
Children. It identifies the emerging roles children play with their peers online – as advisors, as problem solvers, as explorers and as sharers.

**Children’s Rights in the Digital Age**

- Last month we met with UNICEF and experts around the world to debate extending the international evidence base. See the [seminar website](#) with presentations, resources and [storify](#).
- Underpinning these debates is the question of children’s rights in the digital age, as Sonia Livingstone discusses in her LSE public lecture ([watch](#), [blog](#)).

**EU Kids Online: findings, methods, recommendations**

- Our overarching report is **interactive** – do explore it at [www.eukidsonline.net](http://www.eukidsonline.net)
- With links to all our updated findings and reports from 2011-2014 – it is a comprehensive resource for all our work. This includes our [YouTube playlist](#) (where you can hear from our researchers in multiple languages).
- For researchers and research users, there’s also our [European Evidence Database](#) of 1500+ studies, and our quantitative and qualitative [research toolkit](#) (with everything needed for those planning new research).

**Children’s online risks and opportunities: comparative findings from EU Kids Online and Net Children Go Mobile**

- This report highlights the latest findings on children’s online access and use; activities; social networking; digital skills; risks and harm; parental mediation and recommendations.

**Young Children (0-8) and Digital Technology: a qualitative exploratory study across seven countries**

- Very young children love the tablet and can often access YouTube and simple games by themselves, but their parents are not always aware either of their skills or their struggles.
- EU Kids Online researchers collaborated with others to interview and observe 70 families for this report, funded by the EC’s JRC.

**How do you make quality digital content for kids?**

- See the inspiring experiences and guidance in [book of best practice examples](#) from all over Europe (free to download).
Stay in touch

EU Kids Online is now coordinated by Professor Uwe Hasebrink at the Hans Bredow Institute for Media Research, Hamburg. Please stay in touch for updates.

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