

CHILD TRAFFICKING JUSTICE, HEALING & PROTECTION CONFERENCE STOCKHOLM 10 JUNE 2024

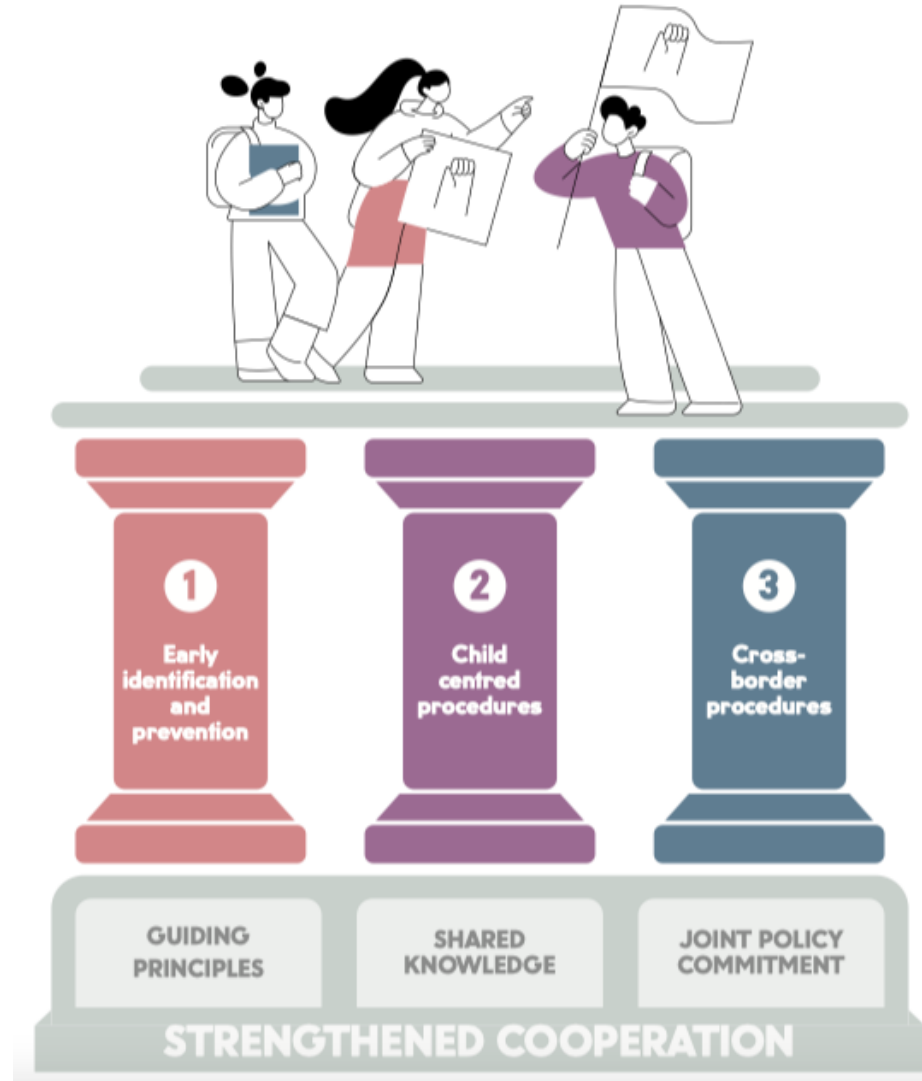
Workshop #2: Child-centred procedures

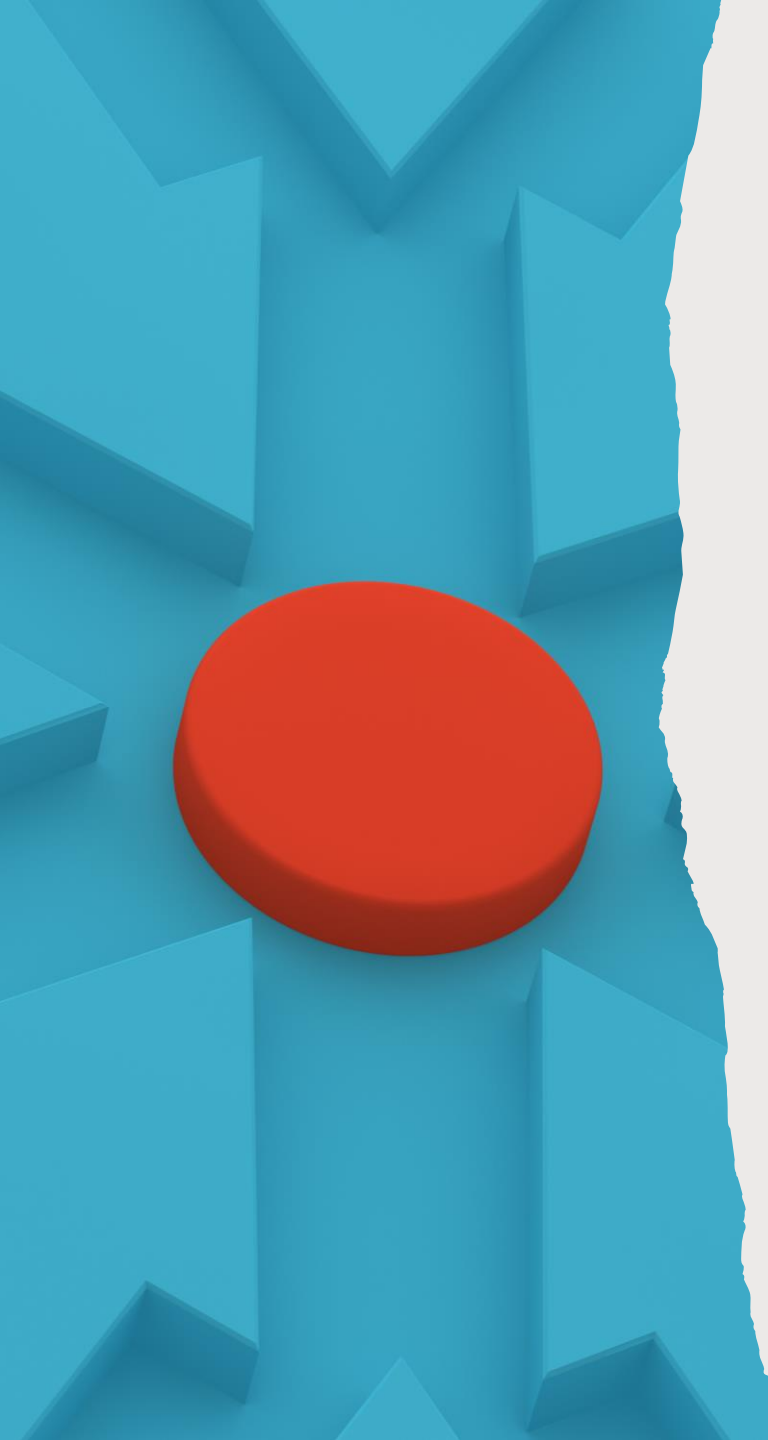
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- ***Action 1: Inform, involve and support children***
- ***Action 2: Strengthen inter-agency and multidisciplinary processes***
- ***Action 3: Increase and mobilise specialisation***

Action 1: Inform, involve and support children

- Child-friendly, age-appropriate information throughout the proceeding in which the child is involved
- Access to guardianship and child protection services, and removal of limitations
- Legal assistance and legal aid should be provided at an early stage of the proceeding
- Special measures such as interpreters/cultural mediators
- Individual assessments of the circumstances and needs of children
- Enhanced procedures for interviewing children
- Acute crisis interventions after every interview conducted with children should be undertaken
- Access to complaints mechanisms for children.

Action 2: Strengthen inter-agency and multidisciplinary processes

- Integrated case management tools
- Individual multidisciplinary assessments
- Best interests assessment procedures

Action 3: Increase and mobilise specialisation

This refers not only to the need of professionals working with children to be aware of the risks and signals of trafficking, but also to the inclusion of anti-trafficking specialists and child protection specialists in the day-to-day case work.

- Specialised intervention models
- Training programmes
- Professional networking and exchange



What Does EGN Do?

EGN works as a network to strengthen guardianship in Europe, including through:

- Exchange of information on provision of guardianship, challenges and good practice
- Working to fulfil standards of quality guardianship, including through the use of the Proguard tool to map and assess progress
- Helping ensure children's voices are heard

Who is Involved in EGN?

- **Members**, service providers which deliver guardianship
- **Governmental Partners**, from Member States, which act as governmental contact point in matters of guardianship
- **Affiliated Partners**, European institutions (for example FRA and EUAA) and other international organisations, civil society (for example UNHCR and UNICEF) involved in guardianship

The EGN Standards

- Non-discrimination
- Responsibility & Accountability
- Independence & Impartiality
- Child-centred Approach
- Child Participation
- Quality
- Collaboration and Sustainability

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