

## **About ICMEC**

### Vision

Making the world safer for children by eradicating child abduction, sexual abuse and exploitation.

#### Mission

We advocate, train and collaborate to protect the world's children.

### Where we are

- Worldwide Headquarters: Alexandria, Virginia, USA
- Asia-Pacific Office: Singapore
- L. America & Caribbean Representation: Brasília, Brazil

International Centre

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## What We Do

- Research and publish reports, model laws and frameworks, and best practice guides on child protection issues;
- Advocate for changes in laws, treaties, and systems to protect children worldwide;
- Train and assist law enforcement, legal professionals, NGOs, and governments;
- Lead global coalitions; and
- Promote public-private partnerships.

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## Why focus on CSE Online?

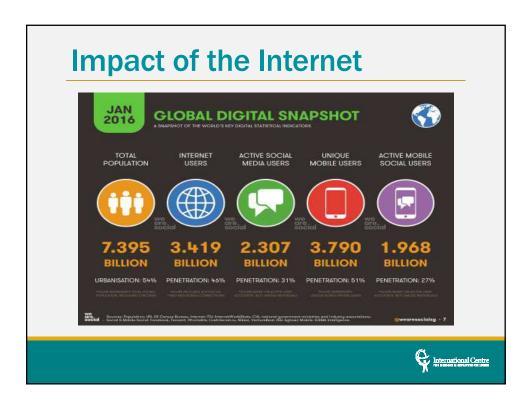
- A significant commercial enterprise
- Facilitated by electronic payment tools and new currencies
- Images are disseminated via the Internet A





A Common Myth: ... a victimless crime.





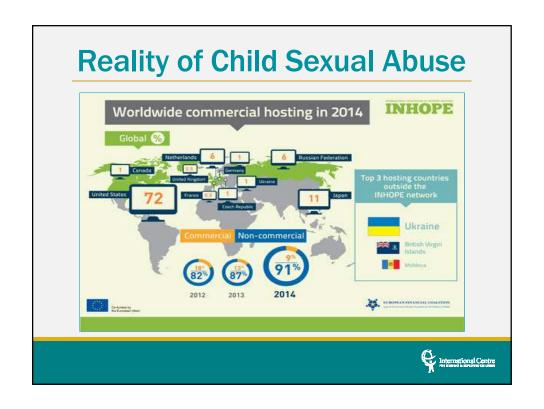
### **Online Child Sexual Abuse & Exploitation**

750,000 pedophiles are online at any given moment.

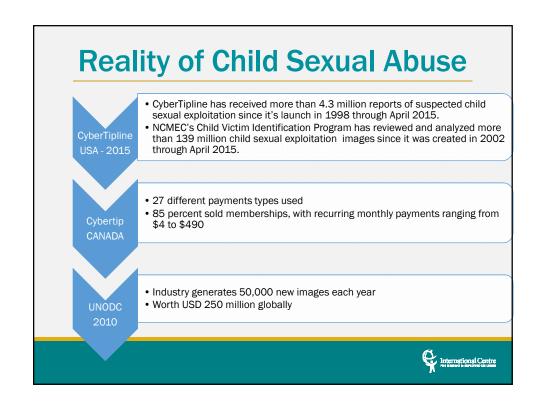
(Report of the UN Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (2009))

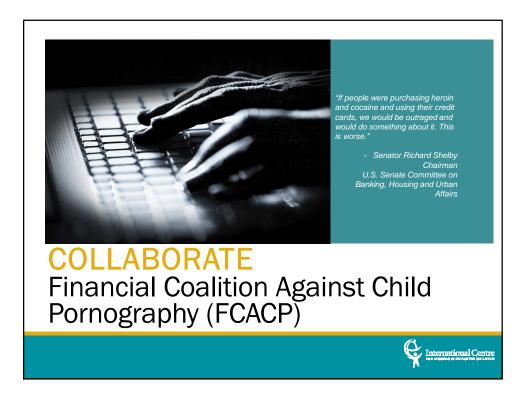












# Financial Coalition Against Child Pornography (FCACP)

Established in the United States in 2006 by NCMEC and ICMEC with one goal:

to disrupt the economics of the child pornography business

A powerful alliance of leading financial and Internet companies working voluntarily to address commercial child pornography



## **Asia Pacific Financial Coalition**

Established in 2009 by ICMEC in Singapore

ONE Goal: disrupt the economics of the trade



Awareness, education, due diligence...



### **APAC - FCACP Members**

- Abacus Mutuals Australia
- ❖Allen & Overy
- American Express
- ❖ ANZ Bank New Zealand
- Australasian Cards Risk Council
- Australian Communication & Media Authority
- ❖ Australian Federal Police
- ❖Child Wise Australia
- ❖Citi Asia Pacific
- ❖Discover Financial Services LLC
- **❖**ECPAT International
- ❖ECPAT Child Alert New Zealand
- Eftpos Australia
- **❖**Facebook
- Google

- **❖**MasterCard
- **❖**Microsoft
- ❖New Zealand Department of Internal Affairs
- **❖**PayPal
- ❖Standard Chartered Bank, Singapore + HK
- Terre des Hommes, Asia office
- Thai Bankers Association
- ❖Trend Micro
- **❖**TrustWave
- Uniting Church in Australia
- ❖U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- ❖Verisite
- ❖Westpac, New Zealand Limited
- Xoom.com



### **APAC-FCACP Efforts**

- Regional APAC-FCACP meetings
- Legal Framework Research by Allen & Overy and affiliates in Asia
- Allen & Overy & PayPal supported Country-specific Roundtables – New Zealand, Australia and Hong Kong. Thailand on September 2016
- PayPal sponsored Technology Challenges Work Stream
- First Data sponsored Industry Education: Webinar -Keeping Child Pornography Merchants Out of the







### **U.S. & APAC FCACP Publications**

- Confronting New Challenges in the Fight Against Child Pornography: Considerations for Protecting Children & Your Company's Reputation When Engaging with Digital Businesses
- Best Practices to Help File Hosting and File Sharing Companies Fight the Distribution of Child Sexual Exploitation Content
- Internet Merchant Acquisition and Monitoring Sound Practices to Help Reduce the Proliferation of Commercial Child Pornography
- Trends in Migration, Hosting and Payment for Commercial Child Pornography Websites
- Trends in Online Crime and The Potential Implications in the Fight Against Commercial Child Pornography



# **Challenges**

- Issue awareness is low (e.g., missing children, online crimes committed against children, etc.)
- National law and policy frameworks vary greatly, and may be inadequate.
- Cybercrime is transnational, and can undermine the application of national child protection laws.
- Legislating and policing cyberspace is still in its infancy, both at the international and national levels.
- New emerging technologies, dissemination platforms and payment mechanisms.



# **Moving Forward**

"To deal with these markets, creative solutions are needed, drawing on techniques not necessarily found in the law enforcement toolkit."

The UN Office of Drugs and Crime - The Globalization of Crime: A Transnational Organized Crime Threat Assessment, June 2010.

" [o]ur challenge is to reach the problems before the problems reach us..."

Juan Miguel Petit, the U.N. Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution, and Child Pornography, 2006.





