

The ECPAT International Child and Youth Advisory Committee (EICYAC) is a group of young people elected from all over the world to fight against commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC).

These young people come from member organizations affiliated with the larger ECPAT network, which comprises 84 organizations in 75 countries working to eliminate child prostitution, child pornography and child trafficking for sexual purposes.

VISION

A world without CSEC in which children and youth meaningfully participate at all levels towards its elimination.

Mission

- We uphold the rights enshrined in the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), specifically the right to live a life free from commercial sexual exploitation and the right to participation without discrimination.
- We want to ensure and enhance child and youth participation in the fight against CSEC.
- We want to strengthen and link child and youth networks within the ECPAT global network.



Reaching your regional representative is very simple!

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**The ECPAT
International
CHILD and YOUTH
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Child and youth participation
is crucial in the fight against
commercial sexual exploitation
of children**

Objectives

▪ **CONNECTING**

To provide channels of communication between and among children and youth working against CSEC at all levels and the ECPAT global network.

• **PROMOTING**

To promote the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and monitor progress of child and youth initiatives against CSEC.

• **REPRESENTING AND ADVISING**

To share, bring forward and ensure children and youth perspectives from all regions are heard and given importance in all discussions of global issues and concerns, especially on CSEC.

• **NETWORKING**

To create, strengthen and maintain networks of young people in the fight against CSEC at local, national, regional and global level.

• **SHARING AND EXCHANGING**

To provide an open channel through which good practices and experiences on child and youth participation and CSEC can be shared.

• **BUILDING CAPACITY**

To develop the individual and organisational capacity of EICYAC and child and youth networks by strengthening the knowledge, skills, and experiences of its members.

• **SUSTAINING**

To explore possibilities of ensuring the sustainability of EICYAC's programmes of action and child and youth networks in achieving their goals.

Roles and Responsibilities

- To represent children and youth in the region as the elected youth representatives to EICYAC
- To support sharing of experiences, information and resources to combat CSEC in each of our regions
- To work towards developing and strengthening child and youth networks at regional and international level
- To promote child and youth participation in the programmes and policy level work of the ECPAT network against CSEC
- To be aware of emerging issues and trends on CSEC in each of our regions
- To gain access to represent EICYAC in relevant national, regional and international platforms on children's right against CSEC
- To initiate and coordinate regional and international campaigns against CSEC

What you can do:

- Email your regional representative to get involved in the programmes
- Join e-groups in your region
- Initiate a campaign and/or join the make-IT-safe campaign
- Write letters to government. Involve other children and youth.
- Visit our website to learn more about CSEC
- Share information about other child and youth initiatives in your country
- Learn more about the issue through other information sources
- Contact the ECPAT group in your country to support local child and youth initiatives against CSEC

