Aiding victims of digital sexual violence

From Discovery to Recovery – Online Sexual Abuse of Children

Workshop with Julia von Weiler, Psychologist
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So, what do you do online?
Studies by IID

2007: iPhone

Study 1 (2004-2007)

Study 2 (2015-2018)

DIGITAL

CHANGE

RapeShare

... unwanted distribution of intimate images for the victim

... usually hits in the midst of the peer group

... is a heavy burden.

... blasts the space-time dimension: "Once online - always online."

Fear of victims: "Who will see?"
distribution of child sexual abuse images – is a heavy burden for victims.

... blasts the space-time dimension: "Once online - always online."

... stirs fear of victims: "Who has seen / who will in the future?"
Dear Daddy
What men believe will happen

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R6l7oVjnUuY
Technology changes sexuality

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https://medium.com/clued-in/sex-and-tech-survey-33d64ecc3eda
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ONLINE

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Sex

Petting

± Unintentional violation of boundaries

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Petting | Grooming | Exhibitionism
Rape

Child Sexual Abuse Images

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1 in 3 Internet users is a minor
Digital media, social networks and communication platforms have long been part of the sexual abusive strategy of perpetrators.

What does this mean for the protection of children and adolescents from sexual violence?
You are what you share?

https://youtu.be/UyWwX_VzIBY
Digital Super Hero?

HOLY CRAP
I’M BATMAN!
Victims need adults, who understand. who remain calm. who pay attention and intervene. education and aftercare
What do we need?

More information on ...

digital media, social networks, online games, etc.
what is going on: distribution of images, sexting, etc.
how to educate parents and caretakers
how to raise these issues with children/adolescents
what to do, if children/adolescents turn to us.
What do professionals need?

information
networking
training in prevention as well as intervention
supervision
technical know how
courage and curiosity
We also need technology as a means to fight distribution and uploading
Thank you for your attention