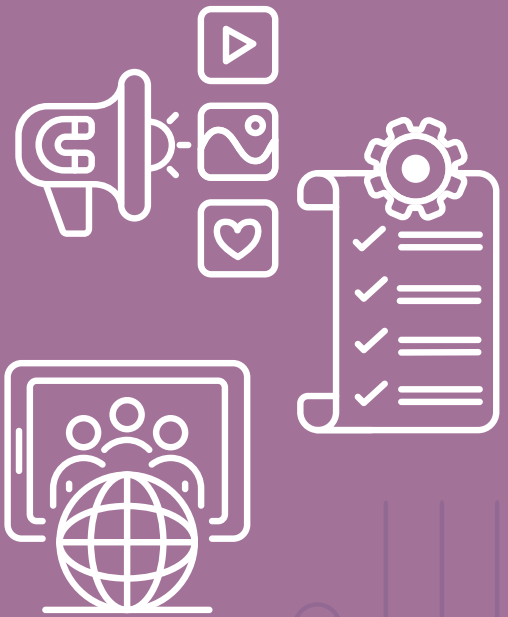


Can you hear us from the screen? THE YOUTH FOR A SAFE INTERNET SPACE!

GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION: WHAT CAN NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS DO?

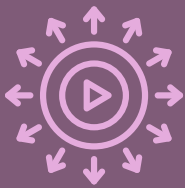
Adopt legislation that will regulate the internet space. Such regulation may address online hate speech and cyberbullying, regulate online news portals and social media platforms.



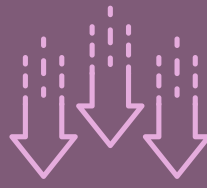
Find and sanction perpetrators and people that endanger the rights of other users, the ones that spread hate speech, fake news and disinformation.



Dilemmas and possible issues with government intervention



Governments could overstep their power! It is important not to let the government censor free speech, with the excuse of fighting fake news.



Political actors and institutions lack will to take measures in implementing existing laws or even creating and adopting new ones.



Lack trust in the institutions! Due to the very minimal actions or undertaken measures to combat fake news, participants lack trust in the state intuitions.

These conclusions and recommendations are based on the findings from the youth consultation event designed to understand the youth personal experiences on the internet, both positive or negative, and their opinions on what policy actions and which stakeholders should be implementing these actions to improve the users experience.

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