CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

Children, risk and safety online:
Research and policy challenges in comparative perspective

When and where

This international conference for researchers, policy makers, industry, educators, NGOs and government will be held on 22-23 September 2011 at LSE, London, UK.

Conference theme

The conference will ask a series of pressing questions:

- Are all children benefiting from the internet and if not, why not?
- What new digital literacies and coping skills are they developing?
- How can parents and policy makers balance online opportunities and risks for children?
- How do children themselves perceive online risk and safety issues?
- Why do risks differ from country to country, and what new risks are emerging?
- How can governments, educators, NGOs and industry better support children online?

EU Kids Online survey results

The conference will showcase final results and recommendations regarding online activities, risks and safety, based on a survey of 25,000 European children conducted by the *EU Kids Online* network of more than 100 researchers in 25 countries and funded by the European Commission's Safer Internet Programme.

Papers

We invite research papers on children's online experiences, to be submitted by 30/4/11 to http://goo.gl/kauq Abstracts (300-500 words), please, on the following topics:

- Participation, creativity and media literacy
- Risks, victims and perpetrators
- Vulnerability and coping with risks
- Parental, peer and teacher mediation
- Mobile. Gaming and other emerging platforms
- Safety tools and their effectiveness

Registration:

Registration will begin in April (to be announced on www.eukidsonline.net. A non-refundable conference fee of £40 will cover the conference reception and materials.

We look forward to welcoming you to LSE to celebrate the end of our project and to debate the future agenda for research and evidence-based policy on children, risk and safety online.

Prof. Sonia Livingstone, Dr Leslie Haddon and the EU Kids Online network