

Annex to the Children Online Protection Lab Charter

Governance

Steering Committee:

All members will be meeting in plenary sessions **3 times a year** to validate orientations for the projects of the Laboratory, choose topics for the year's call for projects and validate any new member application.

Members also have the role of outreach and sourcing of projects that can be run through the lab.

Executive Committee:

Composed of a dozen members: companies, civil society organizations, researchers and States, the executive committee is to meet **once a month** to assess and select the applications fit for the Laboratory within the priorities set by the steering committee. Executive Committee decisions are taken by unanimous consensus.

Although there is no obligation in taking part in any particular project's protocol, executive committee members are expected to sponsor at least a project every 2 years.

Scientific Committee:

The Scientific Committee provides feedback on the projects and a critical analysis of the results

of the experimentations in the form of a report at the end of a cycle. Experts can be invited by the Executive Committee to be part of it from academic and other relevant fields such as education, health, social workers and law enforcement.

Ethical Committee

The Ethical Committee advises the Laboratory on the risk of conflicts of interests that may arise in the course of its activity. The Ethical Committee may be consulted by the Secretary or at the request of any stakeholder. The recommendations of the Ethical Committee are not binding. The Ethical Committee publishes an annual transparency report.

The Ethical Committee consists of at least 3 members and at most 10 members, appointed for 2 years.

Secretary:

France manages the everyday operations of the Laboratory, ensure proper communication between members as well as with the public.

The Secretary is responsible for developing the governance of the Laboratory, including the Ethical Committee

Process of Experimentation:

Priority themes for the year:

The Steering Committee is in charge of setting priority themes each year for the experimentations of the Laboratory.

A call for projects follows this decision to gather applications to address those priorities within the year-cycle.

Project application:

Any member or non-member organization (company, public entity, international organization or civil society) can submit a project within one of the priorities set by the Steering Committee.

There is no restriction in the nature of projects proposed to the Laboratory. They can be technical, educational or organizational.

Any project application must contain at least the following elements:

- *A description of the project explaining in particular how it addresses one of the priority problematics*
- *A protocol to evaluate its effectivity*
- *A statement of needs, a list of resources that members are requested to provide to run the experiment, including any anonymized data that are deemed necessary to the evaluation with respect to privacy, relevant regulations and ethical standards.*

Project selection:

After the end of the call for projects, the submissions are reviewed by the Executive Committee. The Committee selects projects in consideration of the potential benefits and the adequacy of requests with the resources provided members. Selected projects will then move through the process of experimentation, benefit from the support of members. After which process, they can potentially receive an expression of appreciation. Three to five projects are to be selected each year.

Project experimentation:

After a pool of selected projects is formed, they can be distributed to voluntary and relevant members with the appropriate capacities.

They are expected to help carry on the evaluation in accordance with the agreed upon protocol.

There is no obligation for members to support any particular protocol though members are encouraged to show their involvement in the Laboratory in good faith by regularly supporting projects they deem the most promising, in particular the ones that they have not submitted themselves.

Project evaluation:

For every edition, after the experimentation phase is closed, the data and reports of the experiments produced by members and applicants are to be shared with the Scientific Committee in charge of emitting an opinion on the efficacy and limits of the project in the form of a public final report.

The results of the experiments will be showcased at the end of every cycle during the Paris Peace Forum.