

ACTION PLAN AGAINST CYBERBULLYING

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The EU's Action Plan is stepping up actions to tackle cyberbullying and make the online world safer and better for children and young people.



Cyberbullying is the main reason for contacting Safer internet centres



1 in 6

Adolescents report they were bullied online



1 in 8

Admit to participating in online bullying

OUR PLAN TO HELP

**COORDINATED
PROTECTION**

**PREVENTION THROUGH
AWARENESS AND
EMPOWERMENT**

**AN EASY REPORTING
AND SUPPORT APP**

The Action plan introduces a common understanding of cyberbullying:

'behaviour carried out through digital technologies, with the primary intention or the effect of recurrently or continuously humiliating, socially excluding, abusing, harassing or harming in particular children or young people'

CREATING AN EASY REPORTING AND SUPPORT APP

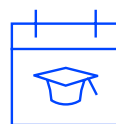


Support the roll out across
Member States of an accessible
online safety app

PREVENTION THROUGH AWARENESS AND EMPOWERMENT



Address cyberbullying in
the update of guidelines for
teachers and educators on
tackling disinformation and
promoting digital literacy



Strengthen citizenship
education in schools
through an EU citizenship
competence framework
and guidelines

COORDINATED PROTECTION



Strengthen the focus on
tackling cyberbullying
in the review of the
DSA guidelines on the
protection of minors



Implement AI
Act provisions on
prohibited practices
and labeling AI content,
which are related to
cyberbullying



Address cyberbullying on
video sharing platforms in
the evaluation and review
of the Audiovisual Media
Services Directive