

Presentation: Opening Statement on Safe and Child-Sensitive Counselling

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Introduction

This presentation by Marta Santos Pais, SRSG on Violence Against Children was delivered at the Expert Consultation on Harmful Practices. It examines key issues related to violence against children with a focus on opening statement on safe and child-sensitive counselling.

Key Points

- * Overview of the situation and evidence base
- * Existing legal and policy frameworks
- * Good practices from national and regional experiences
- * Challenges in implementation
- * Recommendations for strengthened action

Conclusions

Marta Santos Pais, SRSG on Violence Against Children calls for strengthened political commitment and improved coordination between governments, UN agencies, civil society, and communities to protect children from violence.