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PRESS RELEASE

Safer Internet, new media and the European framework on safer mobile use by children

Prague, October 24, 2007. The Czech Safer Combined Node is launching the first international conference of project s supported by the EC Safer Internet Plus program in the region of Central and Eastern Europe. For the first time representatives of different type of project – awareness nodes, helplines and hotlines meet to exchange experiences, share the best practises and discuss hot operational topics.

The conference called Central & Eastern European Safer Internet Conference (CEE SIC) takes place in Prague in November 5-6, 2007 under auspices of Dr. Ivan Langer, Czech Minister of Interior. It is supported by the European Commission and launched in cooperation with INSAFE and INHOPE European networks. The general partners of the conference are Microsoft, Telefonica O2 and UPC Czech Republic.

„The Prague event is a form of "field trial" for the Commission's concept of "regional stakeholder meetings". In line with that concept, it should be "invitation only" with a small delegation from each country - about 5 - drawn from the various stakeholders," Richard Swetenham, Head of the eContent and Safer Internet Unit, DG INFSO, European Commission.

Representatives of the operating regional SI projects, delegates of national law enforcement bodies, industry, ISPs and mobile operators will be given an opportunity to have their say to common tasks on the road to the safer and more friendly Internet, new media and mobile communication.

ABOUT THE SAFER INTERNET PLUS PROGRAM

The [Safer Internet plus program](#) aims to promote safer use of the Internet and new online technologies, particularly for children, and to fight against illegal content and content unwanted by the end-user, as part of a coherent approach by the European Union. More at http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/activities/sip/index_en.htm.

ABOUT THE INHOPE

INHOPE is the International Association of Internet Hotlines and was founded in 1999 under the [EC Safer Internet Action Plan](#). More at www.inhope.org.

ABOUT THE INSAFE

Insafe is a network of national nodes that coordinate Internet safety awareness in Europe. More at www.saferinternet.org.

ABOUT THE SAFER INTERNET PROJECT

Saferinternet.cz (Czech Safer Internet Combined Node) is Czech project supported by the European Commission in the frame of the Safer Internet Plus program. The objective of the project is to increase awareness of Czech users, first of all children, teachers and parents about possible threats of the World Wide Web as well as to initiate discussion, which should help to define what does it mean unwanted or harmful content, where is the risk and how to avoid possible menace.

The [Internet hotline](#) to struggle online crime, and the [Internet helpline](#) to help children got in troubles on the Internet were started in the frame of the combined node. More about at www.saferinternet.cz.

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