



Child Protection Awareness Workshop

Wednesday, October 5, 2016
American International School of Zagreb

We are happy to announce a Child Protection Awareness Workshop presented by Chris Gould on October 5, 2016 at the American International School of Zagreb. This workshop is designed for leaders responsible for designing and implementing child protection programs at your school in conjunction with the Regional Security Officers.

This session will give schools a strategic framework and 'good practice' options to work with as well as minimum standards to achieve within their own school environments. There will be opportunities for participants to ask specific questions regarding individual challenges schools might be facing.

If you would like to attend this workshop, please submit [this form](#) soon as possible. This is going to be a small group, so attendance is limited to the first 21 participants who register. There is no cost for the workshop - registration fee is sponsored by Office of Overseas Schools.

Morning Session: (0830hrs – 1200hrs)

- Introductions (self/professional background and delegates).
- Context for effective safeguarding practice – Current climate with regards to child abuse, including those issues specific to International Schools. The introduction, in April 2014, of the International Task Force on Child Protection (ITFCP) that is dedicated to the International Schools sector. The development of a local support network and resources, together with the safeguarding related auditing expectations from the ITFCP standards.
- Features of a safer school culture – specifically as they relate to the development of a bespoke safeguarding 'framework'. Details to include the matter of dynamic safeguarding training for the 'whole school community' - amongst other related issues.
- Creating an open and professionally responsive culture (safeguarding and child protection).

- Strategic lessons learnt from direct experience and relevant research (especially with regard to implications for staff training including their capacity to remain healthily skeptical and vigilant).
- Reporting – Recording – Monitoring – Review (systems and processes)
- Identification of 10 key strategic and/or operational concepts from today's session.
- Questions and Answers

Lunch: (1200hrs - 1300hrs)

Afternoon Session: (1300hrs – 1600hrs)

- Assist and support in the facilitation and discussion regarding content for the development of policies; handbooks; practices; training needs and other relevant areas of safeguarding and child protection.

Hotel information and reservation deadline:

September 25, 2016 is deadline for hotel reservations at [The Sheraton Zagreb Hotel](#)

Sheraton Zagreb Hotel
Kneza Borne 2
10 000 Zagreb, Croatia

Please download and fill out attached hotel form and send it at reservations@sheratonzagreb.com

The hotel is located in the center of the main city of Zagreb. Transportation for the meeting will be provided.

Sheraton Zagreb Hotel special rates:

- 125,00 EUR per SGL room / night – breakfast included in price
- 145,00 EUR per DBL room / night – breakfast included in price

The room price includes:

Rich Buffet Breakfast, opting to enroll in the Starwood Preferred Guest Program, high speed Internet, free-of-charge use of swimming. The price does not include City Tax, which is charged an extra 1,00 EUR per person and day.

Check-in time: 13:00h, check-out time 12:00; Early check-in fee per hour is 10 EUR before 13:00h / per room; Late check-out fee per hour is 10 EUR after 12:00h / per room; Applicable VAT is included in the room rate

Participants pay for travel, hotel and miscellaneous meals. Lunch and coffee breaks are included in the workshop.

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Biography

Chris Gould BA (Hons), Dip SP&C

Chris was the founder and Honorary Vice President of Child-Safe International Ltd (registered charity) based in the UK from 2004 - 2013. He completed 32 years of police service in 2007, retiring from the Avon and Somerset Constabulary, UK as a Detective Chief Superintendent. During his extensive service he built a wide and varied police background, predominantly within the Criminal Investigation Department (CID). For a number of years, he was a Detective Superintendent heading the Child Protection Group for the force, coupled with responsibilities as a senior investigating officer. He was also the Head of the Criminal Justice Department for the force for over 6 years.

After seeking research funding whilst still in the police, he received finance from the Home Office and later the European Commission to examine the issue of child abuse on international, cultural, educational and language trips abroad. This work resulted in Chris receiving a Police Research Award for Innovation from the Home Secretary in April 1999.

Chris has also worked with both the British and Australian Governments on the introduction of methods to stop unsuitable people working with children and in more recent years has collaborated with the Home Office and the Department for Education regarding aspects of the new Disclosure & Barring Service (UK) and more recently with the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) on the introduction of the International Child Protection Certificate (ICPC).

Chris has a BA (Hons) degree and a Diploma in Social Policy & Criminology and was the recipient of a Children's Champion Award from the Children's Charity "Kidscape". His work and specific knowledge linked to a criminal behavior and child protection has led to him lecturing and working worldwide.

It was in 2004 that he founded the International "Child- Safe" charity, endorsed by the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) and others, to promote his research and safeguarding work of children and young people, specifically within the youth travel sector. The aim of the charity is to 'safeguard and prevent the abuse of children and young people away from home'.

In late 2013 Chris migrated to Australia, where in April 2014 he set up his own company: Travel Safe (Youth Travel Consultancy), based on the Sunshine Coast Queensland. Since that time he has worked as an Independent Child Protection Consultant directly with International Schools in the UK, Switzerland, Indonesia, Singapore, Oman and Thailand as well as given advice to others in places such as Jordan, China, Vietnam and elsewhere. His work has included criminal investigations, expert witness work, safeguarding audits and reviews, training, consultancy, disciplinary investigations, research, case reviews, media work, crisis

management consultancy and more.