Crime Scene Internet – A Global Challenge for Internal Security

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Child Pornography in the Internet

Summarised presentation

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The CIRCAMP group in Europol is engaged in the ongoing pan-European law enforcement work aimed at limiting access to documented child sexual abusive material on the World Wide Web. The prevention aspect of this, and not the investigative, will be the main focus. Harm reduction for the general population and preventing re-victimization and abuse motivated by new production are the desired effects.

Cooperation between the various law enforcement agencies at international level is just as necessary as cooperation between law enforcement and the Internet industry at national level. Neither the police nor the industry providing access and services can solve the problem single-handed, but together it can be handled relatively fast, cheap, and easy. It is furthermore necessary that the police and others handle child sexual abusive material as evidence, and not mere "images on the Internet". Strengthening international cooperation in this field is the way forward.