

Scope

The Child Safeguarding Policy applies to the following groups of people:

- full-time staff of Save the Children Deutschland e.V. including Senior Management and the Management Board, members of the General Assembly and the Supervisory Board, apprentices, temporary and freelance staff, student assistants, interns, school students, self-employed contractors and volunteers
- staff of partner organisations, i.e. of institutional donors, corporate and implementing partners, foundations and of other partner organisations who come into direct contact with children or their personal data through Save the Children Deutschland e.V. or through one of its partner organisations
- visitors to projects, programmes, events and campaigns that are promoted or organised by Save the Children Deutschland e.V.
- reporters, i.e. persons whose work for Save the Children Deutschland e.V. involves reporting in both traditional and social media



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Who we are and what we do

Save the Children believes every child deserves a future. Around the world, we work every day to give children a healthy start in life, the opportunity to learn and protection from harm. When crisis strikes, and children are most vulnerable, we are always among the first to respond and the last to leave.

We ensure children's unique needs are met and their voices are heard. We deliver lasting results for millions of children, including those hardest to reach. We do whatever it takes for children – every day and in times of crisis – transforming their lives and the future we share.

Save the Children supports children and their families in Germany and in more than 120 countries worldwide.

Contact us

For general inquiries about child safeguarding, our Senior Advisor for Children's Rights, **Britt Kalla**, will be happy to help you.

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If you wish to report suspected abuse or exploitation during a Save the Children Deutschland activity, please contact our Advisor for Child Protection, **Stefanie Fried**.

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Protecting Children

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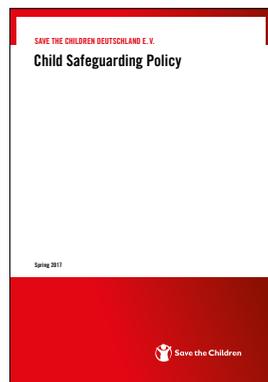
The protection of children from abuse and exploitation is a core task for Save the Children as a children's rights organisation. This also means that we do everything we can to protect children from such dangers within our own organisation. We do this by means of child safeguarding, i.e. institutional child protection.

We make sure that:

- our staff, staff of partner organisations and other persons who come into contact with children or their personal data through Save the Children Deutschland e.V. or through one of its partner organisations are committed to clear standards for the protection of children.
- we raise awareness among our staff and staff of partner organisations about children's rights and child protection.
- children and their families are informed about existing reporting and complaints mechanisms and their rights in association with these.
- the organisation has a standardised procedure so that cases of suspected abuse can be reported and investigated while maintaining confidentiality for all parties.

Why safeguarding is important

In Germany and in other countries it has been shown that children being supported or cared for by institutions or in projects are exposed to an increased risk of abuse. The same applies to organisations in the field of development cooperation and humanitarian aid. Poverty, discrimination, crises, natural disasters and the power disparity between aid organisations and the local population can foster all kinds of discrimination, abuse and exploitation. At the same time, potential abusers repeatedly seek direct access to children through institutions – in Germany and all over the world.



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As the world's largest independent children's rights organisation, above all else we must make sure that we as an organisation are safe for children. Our Child Safeguarding Policy is an important step to guarantee this.

Susanna Krüger, CEO/Member of the Board
Save the Children Deutschland e.V.

Our Child Safeguarding Policy

The basis for ensuring children are protected from harm in our organisation is our Child Safeguarding Policy which sets out our standards. Its approach is preventative, to minimise any risks for children within the course of our work and to give us confidence in our actions. But it is also designed to be responsive, to ensure that when cases of suspected abuse arise, these are investigated thoroughly and that everyone affected – children, persons under suspicion, persons voicing suspicions and the people around them – is protected at all times, for instance from further abuse or false accusations.

The Child Safeguarding Policy contains the following standards:

- Codes of Conduct for contact with children
- Standards for informing children and their families about safeguarding
- Safeguarding standards in human resources policy
- Safeguarding standards in our communication
- Safeguarding standards in data protection
- Safeguarding standards in our cooperation with partner organisations
- Procedure for managing cases of suspected abuse



Save the Children safe for children!