

## WHY WE DO THIS?

Children's best interests must be a primary consideration when they are involved in criminal proceedings. However, children victims and witnesses of abuse are often re-victimized by justice systems that are not adapted to their rights and needs. Poor implementation of the forensic investigation tackles the welfare of a child due to the lack of capacity of legal and justice professionals as well as victims' support services, regarding the forensic interview.

## WHAT WILL WE ACHIEVE?

The overall goal of ENCLAVE is to **boost the implementation of a more appropriate and victim-sensitive approach** within criminal proceedings tailored to the particular needs of children victims and witnesses of abuse.



## **ENCLAVE** aims to



Prevent repeated
victimization,
intimidation and
retaliation connected
with violence



Introduce and mainstream an effective and coherent implementation of the protocol for forensic interview for child abuse



Foster impactful changes in criminal proceedings to protect children in the justice system











ENCLAVE brings together **criminology and gender based violence researchers, professionals, and experts** to

- » increase the capacity of legal and justice professionals on the application of forensic interview protocol with child victims and witnesses of abuse, and
- » **advocate for compulsory capacity building** for professionals involved in criminal proceedings with regards to child abuse.















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