



## DOT Europe's reaction to the publication of the CSAM Regulation and BIK Strategy

11 May 2022, Brussels, Belgium – DOT Europe, the voice of digital, online and tech companies operating in Europe, supports the Commission's objective to set-up a coherent and updated regulatory framework around child safety online.

*"The new Regulation to tackle child sexual abuse online and the Better Internet for Kids Strategy have the potential to significantly enhance the safety and wellbeing of children on the internet, while streamlining the fight against the most gruesome type of content online"* said Siada El Ramly, Director General of DOT Europe.

In order to achieve these ambitious and laudable objectives, it will be crucial to ensure that the newly published CSAM Regulation is fully in line with the horizontal principles set-out in the Digital Service Act (DSA) which was just finalised last month and in the EU's privacy framework, notably the GDPR.

*"The private sector needs a distinct set of rules that brings clarity and legal certainty to better detect and act on child pornography online"* added Ms El Ramly. *"A fine balance between safety online and privacy will need to be found, while key cornerstones of the e-Commerce Directive such as the ban on general monitoring will have to be upheld. It is also essential that the legislation takes the current technological capabilities into account and the differences between the services online and therefore also the solutions that they can provide. DOT Europe looks forward to contribute to this important piece of work and assist all institutional stakeholders to achieve a reasonable and workable compromise."*

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