

Protecting Minors in Cyber Space

SA's 7th Annual Cyber Law Conference, supported by the **Department for Women, Children and People with Disabilities**, will be held on **23 & 24 July 2013** at the **Bytes Conference Centre in Midrand**

This conference will explore if the legal framework for protection of children in cyber space is sufficient, and if not, what can be done about it. With the Protection from Harassment Act coming into operation recently, this new piece of legislation is going to be dissected by speakers and attendees alike.

The confirmed speakers are:

Ms Sinah Moruane (Chief Director: Advocacy in Children's Rights and Responsibilities – Department for Women, Children and People with Disabilities)

"Welcoming Address"

Fortune Mwigli-Sibanda (Manager: Policy & Government – Google SA)

"Public and private sector collaborations for protecting children online"

Pritima Osman (Manager for Child Justice, Children's Courts and the Departmental Drug Master Plan at the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development: National Office)

"Criminalization of Cyber Bullying"

Ramon Thomas (Chief Training Officer at NETucation)

"The Impact of Cyber Bullying on Families"

Mark Heyink (Director at Information Governance Consulting)

"The Protection of the Personal Information of a Child"

Dellene Clark (SA Law Reform Commission) & **Sarel Robertse** (Parliamentary Legislation: Department of Justice)

"The Protection from Harassment Act"

Petronella Linders (Chief Director: Gender, Disability, Youth and Children - DOC)

"DOC's Children and ICT Strategy"

Sarah Rice (Vice president of Communications - Mxit)

"Haters gonna hate"

R. Morgan Courtenay (Centre for Child Law)

"The Duality of Child Protection: A Critical Analysis of the South African Cyberspace Legal Framework"

Frans Marx (Professor at NMMU)

"The Protection of harassment Act, 2011" – Will it protect children against abuse on social network sites? – Lessons from Finland "

Bhavna Lutchman (Manager - Online Counselling Service at Childline SA National Office)

"Cyberspace: A child's playground?"

Emerald Veldman (Director – Virtually Clear)

"How to ensure that School Information in Cyber Space does not become a physical risk to the Child "

Whether you are a **Lawyer**, an **Academic**, a **Social Worker**, a **Teacher**, a **Child Psychologist** or a **Parent**, if the online dangers like cyber bullying concern you (as it should), this conference is a must attend! This conference will explore not only the legal framework, but also the social effects of cyber bullying and other online dangers on children.

To register or for more information about costs and directions to the venue visit the registration page online at

<http://protectingminors.eventbrite.com/#>

Price: R3400 / \$360

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