Cyberbullying: legal aspects and technical protection

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WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2019 - AULA ROSSA, Palazzo San Domenico, 10:30 a.m.

10:30 Welcome
Filippo de Rossi – Rector, Università degli Studi del Sannio

10:45 Opening
Sonia Caputo – project leader, Liceo Rummo
Gaetano Continillo – coordinator, orientation and tutoring, Department of Engineering

11:00 Legal aspects of cyberbullying
Antonella Marandola, Università degli studi del Sannio

Cyberbullying (or "online bullying") is the term that indicates a type of continuous, repeated, offensive and systematic attack on someone through the tools of the network. Today, 34% of bullying is online, in chat, also called cyberbullying. Although presenting itself in a different form, even that on the Internet is bullying: posting unpleasant photos or sending mails containing offensive material can cause psychological damage. Like in real life, cyberbullying can sometimes be a violation of the Civil Code and the Penal Code and, as far as Italian law is concerned, of the Privacy Code. The phenomenon is increasing, and this lecture is meant to illustrate the aspects of this crime and its consequences.

11:45 A safer internet
Aaron Visaggio, Università degli studi del Sannio

With no doubt, Internet is among the most important inventions of human beings, as it allows sharing and access to knowledge and information as never before. Internet is also completely changing the way we work, we live, we take part to communities, improving it in many facets. Unfortunately, hyper-connection, and the expansion of the time we spend online, is exposing everyone to several risks: cyberbullism is only one of those. In this seminar, the main risks of hyper-connection will be introduced, focusing on the complex problem of cyberbullism. The dynamics and the technology that foster this phenomenon will be discussed along with the best strategies to reduce its impact among the teenagers.

12:30 Discussion and final remarks

13:00 End
Speakers

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