



Save the Children

Child Safeguarding Training for Tourism Sector



WHY??



**CHILDREN
CAN'T BE
BOUGHT
AND SOLD.**

**STOP
CSEC**
COMMERCIAL SEXUAL
EXPLOITATION
OF CHILDREN



JOIN HANDS TODAY & STOP COMMERCIAL
SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN.

**Our Research told us
that children were
being exploited in the
Tourism Sector**

The Learning

- Our first hotel now has had training, their Code of Conduct includes Child Safeguarding Clauses and now have a Child Safeguarding Policy
- Have had two information sessions with the Fiji Hotel Tourism Association and hotels have shown interest and can see the value in doing this
- Risks to Children:
 - Activities
 - Baby Sitting Services
 - Kids Clubs
 - No one asks the questions!
 - There is very little understanding of Fiji's Legislation and Child Protection services
 - They know that it is happening!

This model works and is important if the Tourism Sector is to contribute to the Goals of the SDGs.

Understanding Why this this happening?

Why it develops...among victims

- Poverty and lack of work
- Lack of education
- Absence of a protective family environment, or even family violence
- Narcotics, drugs
- Strong appeal of a consumer society

A child never chooses to be sexually abused.

If this happens, it is because he/she is forced to, often by a pander or by extremely precarious and difficult living conditions.

What is Sexual Tourism involving Children?

Who are the abusers ?



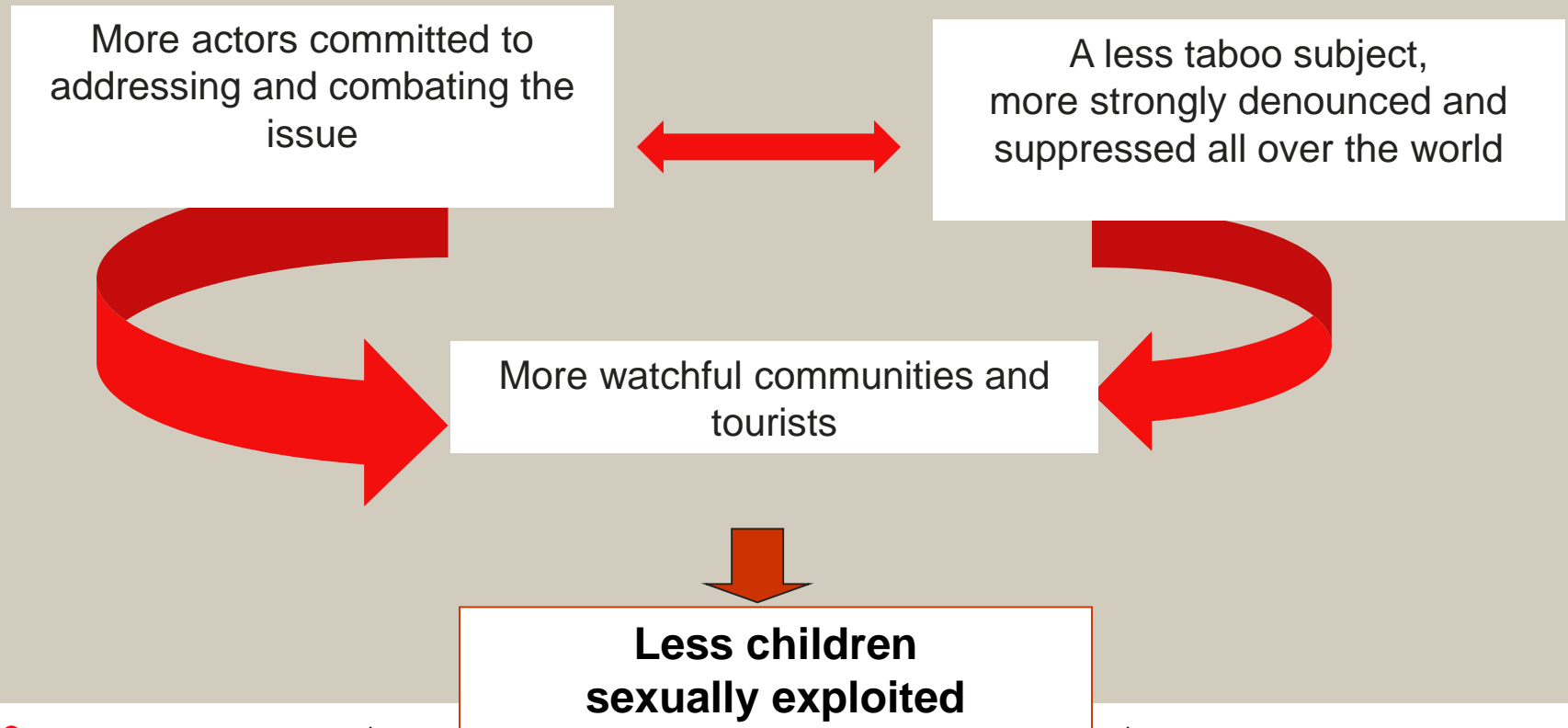
The Role of the Tourism Industry

Why we must take action

- Because the consequences for children are life long
- Because the consequences for the growth of a country are very serious
- Because this is part of responsible tourism
- Because we can prevent or interrupt the sexual abuse of a minor

Why we must take action

Because our commitment can contribute to ending the virtual circle of combatting sexual exploitation of children.



Challenges

- Risks keep increasing with the Internet and Social Media
- It take time – but worth the investment
- Implementation of Policies and Systems
- Fiji’s legislation is changing and so the sector needs to be aware of the implications – e.g. Online Safety Act
- Understanding of the other forms of exploitation of children in the Tourism Sector:
 - Hotel Performers
 - There is no binding regulation. The engagement of the industry is up to their free will.

THANK YOU



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