



CHILD SAFEGUARDING POLICY

1. Introduction and Purpose

APS Taranto Makers is a non-profit organization rooted in the values of social innovation, community empowerment, and educational inclusion. Our activities span a wide range of hands-on learning opportunities—such as digital fabrication, Arduino programming, 3D modeling and printing, theatrical workshops, and educational support—often targeting youth, students, and individuals from socially or economically vulnerable backgrounds. We collaborate with schools, families, institutions, and other third-sector organizations in delivering impactful projects, which are designed to reduce educational poverty and promote personal development.

As an organization that operates directly with children and young people, APS Taranto Makers acknowledges its fundamental duty to safeguard and protect the rights, safety, and well-being of all minors and vulnerable individuals who engage with our programs. This responsibility extends not only to preventing harm, abuse, and exploitation, but also to fostering environments that support growth, dignity, and respect.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all staff, volunteers, and partners understand and uphold the highest standards of conduct and protection. It outlines the principles, practices, and procedures required to:

- Prevent abuse and mistreatment.
- Respond effectively to concerns or incidents.
- Promote a safe, inclusive, and supportive atmosphere in all our spaces and activities.

By adopting this safeguarding policy, APS Taranto Makers reaffirms its commitment to a culture of transparency, accountability, and active protection—placing the best interest of the child and vulnerable persons at the core of every decision and action. It also serves to align our practices with national regulations and international safeguarding frameworks, including the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, and to meet the expectations of our partners, funders, and the wider community.

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2. Scope

This safeguarding policy applies comprehensively to all individuals and entities associated with APS Taranto Makers in any capacity. It is designed to ensure that every person who comes into contact with our organization, particularly children and vulnerable individuals, is protected from harm and treated with dignity, respect, and fairness.

This policy is binding upon:

- Members of the Board of Directors and the Assembly of Members: As
 the leadership of the association, they bear the ultimate responsibility for
 upholding safeguarding standards and setting a culture of safety and
 accountability.
- Staff, educators, facilitators, and trainers: Whether employed full-time, part-time, freelance, or as occasional collaborators, all professionals involved in delivering educational, creative, or community-based activities must adhere strictly to this policy.
- **Volunteers and interns**: Individuals engaged in any role under APS Taranto Makers' programs, even for short-term assignments, are required to understand and comply with safeguarding procedures.
- Partner organizations and external collaborators: Entities and individuals involved through formal agreements or informal collaboration must be made aware of, and act consistently with, this safeguarding framework.
- Children and young people: As the primary beneficiaries, they will be informed in accessible and age-appropriate ways about their rights, the standards of behavior they can expect from adults, and how to report any concerns.

This policy covers all activities, including but not limited to:

- Workshops, labs, and training sessions (e.g., Arduino, 3D printing)
- Events and exhibitions
- School collaborations and extracurricular programs
- Online and digital engagements, including video calls and social media interactions
- Off-site trips or public engagements involving minors

It applies at all times, not only during scheduled activities but also in informal interactions and communications related to APS Taranto Makers.

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Importantly, this policy functions as a living framework that should be consulted, internalized, and actively implemented by all involved. It seeks to establish not only a set of rules but a culture of protection and proactive responsibility that permeates every facet of our work.

3. Guiding Principles

The safeguarding commitments of APS Taranto Makers are rooted in a set of core values and ethical principles that guide every aspect of our work with children, adolescents, and vulnerable individuals. These principles not only align with national and international legal frameworks but also reflect the association's identity as a community-driven, rights-based organization committed to education, inclusion, and social innovation.

a. The Best Interest of the Child and Vulnerable Persons

At the heart of our safeguarding approach is the unwavering commitment to act in the best interests of every child and vulnerable individual involved in our activities. This principle informs our decision-making, programming, and responses to incidents. We recognize that children and youth are rights-holders with voices that must be heard and respected.

b. Zero Tolerance for Abuse

APS Taranto Makers adopts a zero-tolerance stance toward all forms of abuse, neglect, exploitation, or discrimination. Any violation of this principle—regardless of intent, context, or relationship—will result in immediate investigation and appropriate consequences, including potential legal reporting.

c. Respect and Dignity for All

We believe that every individual deserves to be treated with dignity, fairness, and respect. This includes honoring cultural, religious, gender, and identity differences and taking into account the personal experiences and vulnerabilities of each participant. Our spaces are designed to be inclusive, accessible, and affirming.

d. Empowerment and Participation

Children and vulnerable persons have the right to be active participants in their learning, development, and protection. We create environments where their views are valued, and they are encouraged to speak up,

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express themselves, and make decisions appropriate to their age and capacity. We also promote digital and civic literacy as tools for empowerment.

e. Do No Harm

All staff, volunteers, and collaborators are expected to act in ways that avoid causing any physical, emotional, psychological, or reputational harm. This includes not only intentional abuse but also negligence, inappropriate behavior, or unsafe environments. We apply a proactive approach to risk management and harm prevention.

f. Accountability and Transparency

Safeguarding is a shared responsibility. APS Taranto Makers fosters a culture where individuals are held accountable for their actions and omissions. Processes are clear, reporting is encouraged, and concerns are handled with discretion, fairness, and urgency. The leadership of the organization is committed to leading by example in all safeguarding matters.

g. Integrity and Ethics in Digital Engagement

In an increasingly digital learning and communication environment, we emphasize ethical conduct online. We commit to protecting participants' privacy and image, preventing cyberbullying, and using technology responsibly in line with child-friendly and safe practices.

h. Continuous Improvement and Learning

We recognize that safeguarding is a dynamic field that requires ongoing education, self-reflection, and adjustment. APS Taranto Makers is committed to reviewing this policy regularly, integrating feedback from staff and beneficiaries, and adopting best practices to improve the quality and safety of our engagement.

4. Commitment

APS Taranto Makers places safeguarding at the center of its institutional mission and practices. As an association deeply involved in educational, cultural, and social innovation initiatives—many of which engage children, adolescents, and vulnerable communities—we fully recognize our ethical, legal, and organizational duty to create environments that are safe, inclusive, and empowering.

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a. Organizational Commitment

We are committed to establishing and maintaining robust safeguarding measures that prevent harm and ensure every person involved in our activities is treated with dignity and care. This commitment is integrated into all our organizational processes, including:

- Strategic planning and project design
- Human resource management and recruitment
- Educational and community programming
- Monitoring, evaluation, and learning systems

b. Leadership Responsibility

Our Board of Directors and President bear the primary responsibility for ensuring that safeguarding is prioritized across all levels of decision-making and operational management. They ensure that:

- Policies are up-to-date and implemented.
- Resources and training are allocated to support safeguarding actions.
- Complaints and incidents are handled transparently and effectively.

c. Personnel Engagement

All staff, educators, volunteers, collaborators, and interns are required to:

- Sign a **Statement of Commitment** to this safeguarding policy.
- Undergo regular training or orientation on safeguarding practices, including how to identify, prevent, and report concerns.
- Model appropriate behavior and serve as role models in line with our Code of Conduct.

Every person working with APS Taranto Makers must understand that safeguarding is not optional—it is an integral, non-negotiable part of our culture and community responsibilities.

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d. Proactive Culture of Safety

We are committed to proactively:

- Assessing and mitigating risks associated with activities, both online and offline.
- Consulting with children and vulnerable persons about their needs, safety, and concerns.
- **Creating inclusive spaces** where people of all identities feel secure, seen, and respected.

We will always strive to ensure that:

- Children's voices are heard and acted upon.
- Families are kept informed and engaged in their children's participation.
- **Confidentiality is respected** in all safeguarding matters, while also ensuring timely action and legal compliance when necessary.

e. External Partnerships

All external partners, funders, and collaborators are expected to align with our safeguarding values. We incorporate safeguarding clauses into partnership agreements and take care to work only with those who share our dedication to safe and ethical practices.

5. Definitions

To ensure clarity and consistency in understanding, the following key terms are defined as they apply within the scope of this Safeguarding Policy. These definitions align with international conventions, national legislation, and sectoral best practices.

Child: Any individual under the age of 18, regardless of the age of majority or legal adulthood in the country of operation. This definition is consistent with the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989). In cases where a person's age is uncertain but they appear to be under 18, they will be treated as a child for the purposes of safeguarding.

Vulnerable Person: An individual who may be at increased risk of harm due to age, disability, health condition, socio-economic status, migration status, or

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other factors that may limit their capacity to protect themselves or access support. This includes but is not limited to:

- Children and adolescents
- Persons with physical, mental, or developmental disabilities
- Elderly individuals in care contexts
- People facing socio-economic marginalization

Safeguarding: All actions taken to promote the welfare of children and vulnerable persons and protect them from harm. It encompasses proactive measures to prevent abuse, exploitation, and neglect, as well as the procedures to respond effectively to concerns and incidents. Safeguarding goes beyond child protection by addressing broader issues of well-being and inclusion.

Child Protection: A subset of safeguarding focused specifically on preventing and responding to abuse, exploitation, violence, and neglect against children. It includes the legal, procedural, and operational measures that protect children from intentional or unintentional harm during their involvement in organizational activities.

Abuse: Any act—or failure to act—that results in actual or potential harm to a child or vulnerable person. Abuse may occur in person or online and includes:

- **Physical abuse**: Inflicting or threatening physical injury (e.g., hitting, burning).
- **Emotional abuse**: Actions that harm a person's emotional development or sense of self-worth (e.g., bullying, humiliation).
- **Sexual abuse**: Engaging a child or vulnerable person in sexual acts, whether or not they are aware of what is happening.
- **Neglect**: Persistent failure to meet a person's basic physical or psychological needs (e.g., lack of food, hygiene, supervision).

Exploitation: Using someone unfairly or abusively for one's own advantage—financially, sexually, or otherwise. This includes child labor, forced participation in illicit activities, or using someone's image or identity without consent.

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Harm: Any detrimental effect on a person's physical, emotional, mental, or social well-being. Harm can result from a single act or prolonged exposure to risk factors and negative environments.

Staff and Representatives: Anyone working with or on behalf of APS Taranto Makers, including:

- Employees (full- or part-time)
- Board and committee members
- Volunteers and interns
- External trainers, consultants, and partner organization representatives

Safeguarding Focal Point: A designated individual within APS Taranto Makers responsible for:

- Receiving and managing safeguarding reports
- Monitoring implementation of the policy
- Serving as the primary liaison for safeguarding concerns This person acts as a support resource for all staff and ensures that responses are timely, confidential, and in line with organizational and legal standards.

Disclosure: The act of sharing information, either directly or indirectly, about an experience of abuse or harm. Disclosures may come from the victim, a peer, or an observer and must always be taken seriously and acted upon immediately.

6. Responsibilities

The effectiveness of this safeguarding policy depends on the active and informed participation of everyone involved in the activities of APS Taranto Makers. While safeguarding is a shared responsibility, specific roles carry distinct duties to ensure protection and accountability across the organization. This section outlines the responsibilities of various actors to ensure the safety and dignity of children and vulnerable persons.

a. Board of Directors and President

- Ensure that safeguarding remains a strategic priority and is integrated into all organizational processes.
- Approve and regularly review this policy to ensure relevance and compliance with current legislation and best practices.
- Allocate financial and human resources to implement and sustain safeguarding practices.

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- Lead by example, promoting a culture of respect, inclusion, and zero tolerance for abuse.
- Appoint and support a qualified **Safeguarding Focal Point (SFP)**.

b. Safeguarding Focal Point (SFP)

- Serve as the primary contact for all safeguarding concerns and disclosures.
- Ensure that all staff, volunteers, and partners are trained on safeguarding principles and procedures.
- Maintain confidential records of incidents, investigations, and outcomes.
- Coordinate with external authorities (e.g. social services, law enforcement) when required.
- Monitor the implementation of safeguarding protocols across projects and report regularly to the board.
- Promote awareness about safeguarding within the organization and among beneficiaries.

c. Staff and Trainers (Internal and External)

- Participate in safeguarding training and adhere strictly to the Code of Conduct.
- Create a safe and respectful environment during all activities, both in person and online.
- Understand how to identify signs of abuse or harm and respond appropriately.
- Immediately report any suspicion, disclosure, or incident using the established reporting mechanisms.
- Ensure activities are accessible and inclusive, particularly for individuals with disabilities or those from marginalized backgrounds.

d. Volunteers and Interns

- Read, understand, and sign the safeguarding policy and code of conduct before engaging in any activity.
- Act in accordance with all organizational values, demonstrating respectful and safe behavior.
- Report concerns or observations to the Safeguarding Focal Point without delay.

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e. Project Partners and Collaborating Organizations

- Acknowledge and align with APS Taranto Makers' safeguarding policy as a condition for collaboration.
- Ensure that their personnel involved in joint projects are adequately trained and vetted.
- Cooperate fully in any investigation or assessment concerning safeguarding issues.

f. Children and Young Participants

- Be informed, in an age-appropriate and accessible manner, about their rights, the behavior they should expect from adults, and how to report discomfort or abuse.
- Be encouraged to participate in decisions affecting their involvement in projects and activities.
- Be treated as active agents in creating a safe, inclusive community environment.

7. Code of Conduct

The Code of Conduct outlines the professional and ethical standards expected from all individuals involved with APS Taranto Makers. It is designed to foster a culture of safety, integrity, and respect, particularly in interactions with children, adolescents, and vulnerable persons. This Code applies to all staff, volunteers, trainers, interns, collaborators, and third-party partners.

g. General Principles

All representatives of APS Taranto Makers must:

- Treat all children, young people, and vulnerable individuals with respect and dignity.
- Act in a manner that is inclusive, culturally sensitive, and non-discriminatory.
- Maintain appropriate professional boundaries at all times.
- Conduct themselves in a way that upholds the reputation of APS Taranto Makers and fosters trust with participants and the broader community.

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h. Acceptable Behavior

All individuals acting on behalf of the association must:

- Prioritize the safety, well-being, and participation of children and vulnerable persons.
- Listen to and take seriously the concerns, complaints, or disclosures of any participant.
- Always work in an open and observable environment, avoiding being alone with a child or vulnerable person.
- Use age-appropriate, respectful language and tone in all interactions.
- Ensure consent is obtained before taking photographs, videos, or collecting personal data.
- Encourage children's participation in decisions affecting them, within their level of maturity and understanding.
- Report any concern, suspicion, or incident in accordance with established procedures.

i. Unacceptable Behavior

The following behaviors are strictly prohibited and will result in immediate disciplinary action, and if applicable, legal referral:

- Engaging in any form of sexual activity or suggestive behavior with a minor or vulnerable person.
- Using corporal punishment, aggressive language, or any form of humiliation.
- Developing inappropriate relationships, including favoritism or personal contact outside of project-related activities (e.g., via social media).
- Allowing or failing to report instances of abuse or suspicion of abuse by others.
- Taking children or vulnerable participants to personal residences or isolated locations.

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- Exposing children to harmful content or discussions, including violent, sexual, or discriminatory materials.
- Sharing personal information about participants without their consent or that of their guardians.





j. Digital and Online Conduct

Given the use of digital tools and virtual learning environments in many APS Taranto Makers activities, all individuals must:

- Ensure all online communication is secure, professional, and monitored where necessary.
- Avoid direct, unsupervised online communication with minors outside of formal channels or sessions.
- Never share or store images, videos, or personal data of children unless explicit consent has been obtained and data protection protocols are followed.
- Immediately report any online incidents that may jeopardize participant safety or privacy.

k. Physical Contact

Physical contact must always:

- Be limited, public, and appropriate to the context (e.g., handshakes, helping with tasks).
- Never be initiated for personal gratification or in a manner that could be misinterpreted.
- Be avoided unless required for safety or comfort and only with clear consent.

I. Commitment Statement

All staff, volunteers, and associates will be required to sign a **Statement of Commitment** confirming their understanding and acceptance of this Code of Conduct before starting their engagement with APS Taranto Makers.

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8. Prevention Measures

Prevention is the cornerstone of an effective safeguarding strategy. APS Taranto Makers adopts a proactive, structured approach to prevent harm, reduce risk, and promote a culture of vigilance and responsibility throughout its activities and partnerships. These measures are embedded at every stage of planning, delivery, and evaluation.

a. Safe Activity Design and Risk Assessment

All educational, cultural, and community-based activities—especially those involving minors and vulnerable groups—must be designed with safety in mind. This includes:

- Conducting risk assessments before the start of each project or event.
- Identifying potential vulnerabilities in physical, digital, and social environments.
- Implementing appropriate risk mitigation strategies, such as ensuring adequate adult supervision, safe transportation, and emergency procedures.
- Ensuring accessibility and inclusion for participants with disabilities or special needs.

b. Informed Consent

No child or vulnerable person may participate in any activity without:

- A signed consent form from a parent or legal guardian.
- Clear and age-appropriate information provided to the participant regarding the nature of the activity, expected behavior, and their rights.
- Specific consent for use of images, recordings, or data for promotional or documentation purposes.

c. Safe Recruitment and Onboarding

APS Taranto Makers ensures that anyone working with children or vulnerable individuals is suitable and properly vetted. This includes:

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- Written job descriptions that clearly outline safeguarding responsibilities.
- Collection of references and self-declarations regarding criminal records.
- Orientation and signing of the Code of Conduct and Commitment to the Safeguarding Policy prior to engagement.

d. Training and Capacity Building

All staff, volunteers, and associates must receive introductory safeguarding training and refresher sessions as needed. Topics include:

- Identifying signs of abuse or neglect.
- Maintaining appropriate boundaries.
- Reporting procedures and documentation protocols.
- Digital safety and responsible communication.

e. Creating a Culture of Openness

Safeguarding thrives in environments where people feel confident to raise concerns without fear of retaliation or shame. APS Taranto Makers promotes:

- Open discussions about safety and ethics during meetings and trainings.
- Mechanisms for anonymous feedback or reporting.
- Participation of children in shaping safe practices through feedback and reflection.

9. Reporting and Response

Prompt and effective response to safeguarding concerns is vital to protecting individuals and maintaining a culture of trust and accountability. APS Taranto Makers is committed to ensuring that all concerns, suspicions, disclosures, or incidents related to abuse, neglect, or inappropriate behavior are taken seriously and addressed without delay.

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a. Obligation to Report

All staff, volunteers, interns, and partners have a **mandatory duty** to report any witnessed, suspected, or disclosed abuse or misconduct. Silence or failure to report is a breach of this policy and may result in disciplinary action.

b. Confidentiality and Sensitivity

Reports will be handled with the utmost care, ensuring:

- **Confidentiality** is maintained to protect all parties involved.
- The safety and well-being of the individual at risk is always the top priority.
- Only designated persons—primarily the **Safeguarding Focal Point**—will access the details of the report.

c. Reporting Procedure

- Immediate Reporting: Concerns must be shared as soon as possible with the Safeguarding Focal Point via a verbal alert and followed by a written report using the official Safeguarding Incident Form.
- **Initial Assessment**: The Safeguarding Focal Point will assess the level of risk and determine whether internal action is sufficient or if external authorities need to be involved.
- **Response and Documentation**: Every report is logged securely and accompanied by a clear record of actions taken, outcomes, and follow-up measures.
- **Involving Authorities**: In cases of criminal behavior or serious risk, APS Taranto Makers will contact appropriate services, such as social workers, law enforcement, or child protection agencies.

d. Protection from Retaliation

Anyone who reports a safeguarding concern in good faith will be protected from retaliation or negative consequences. This protection extends to both whistleblowers and individuals involved in investigations.

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e. Support for Survivors

APS Taranto Makers commits to supporting those affected by incidents of abuse, including referrals to counseling, medical services, or legal aid when necessary.

10. Monitoring and Evaluation

Safeguarding is an ongoing commitment that requires continuous reflection, learning, and improvement. APS Taranto Makers is dedicated to regularly assessing the effectiveness of its safeguarding practices to ensure they remain relevant, comprehensive, and aligned with both organizational values and evolving standards in child and vulnerable persons protection.

a. Regular Review

- The safeguarding policy will be formally **reviewed at least once every two years** or more frequently if significant changes occur in the organization's structure, legal requirements, or following a serious safeguarding incident.
- The review process will involve key stakeholders, including staff, board members, volunteers, and where appropriate, input from beneficiaries such as young participants and families.

b. Internal Monitoring

The **Safeguarding Focal Point** is responsible for coordinating regular internal audits to:

- Track training participation and compliance with the Code of Conduct.
- Monitor the implementation of preventive measures (e.g., risk assessments, consent procedures).
- Assess the timeliness and appropriateness of responses to safeguarding concerns.

c. Feedback and Learning

Feedback mechanisms will be made available to participants, families, and staff to report not only concerns but also **suggestions for improving safety and inclusivity**.

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Lessons learned from incident reviews and feedback will be used to update practices, reinforce training, and adapt procedures to emerging risks.

d. Reporting

An annual safeguarding summary report will be presented to the Board of Directors, outlining:

- The number and nature of reports received (with respect for confidentiality),
- Actions taken and resolutions achieved,
- Identified trends or areas for improvement,
- Training activities conducted and policy updates implemented.

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11. Annexes





ANNEX I

APS Taranto Makers - Safeguarding Commitment Statement

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the principles and procedures outlined in the **Safeguarding Policy** of **APS Taranto Makers**.

By signing this document, I commit to:

- Prioritize the safety, dignity, and well-being of all children, adolescents, and vulnerable individuals participating in any APS Taranto Makers activity.
- Uphold the values of respect, inclusion, and zero tolerance for any form of abuse, exploitation, or discrimination.
- Act in accordance with the organization's **Code of Conduct**, maintaining appropriate professional boundaries at all times.
- Immediately report any concerns, suspicions, or incidents related to safeguarding to the designated **Safeguarding Focal Point**, following the reporting procedures established by the organization.
- Cooperate fully in any safeguarding investigations or assessments, and maintain confidentiality throughout the process.
- Participate in any required safeguarding training sessions provided by APS Taranto Makers.

I understand that failure to comply with the safeguarding policy may result in disciplinary action, including termination of my involvement with the organization, and if necessary, referral to external authorities.

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Furthermore, I declare that:

• I have no criminal record or past convictions related to abuse or misconduct involving children or vulnerable persons.





• I will notify the organization immediately should any such circumstance arise during my collaboration with APS Taranto Makers.

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Role/Position:
Signature:
Date:

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ANNEX II

APS Taranto Makers - Safeguarding Incident Reporting Form

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ection A – About the	e Reporter	
Full Name:		
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• Phone/Email:		_
Date of Report	rt:	_
	e Child or Vulnerable Person	
 Full Name[*] 		
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 Age (if known Gender: Ma School/Class/ 	n): ale 🗆 Female 🗆 Other 🗆 Prefer not to say	

Section C - Details of the Concern

• Type of Incident:

☐ Observed

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	☐ Disclosed by the person				
	☐ Reported by a third party (name & relation):				
•	Date of Incident:				
•	Time of Incident:				
•	Location of Incident:				
•	Name(s) of alleged perpetrator(s) (if known):				
•	Are there any other witnesses or people involved? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please list:				
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tic	(Include direct quotes if available; distinguish between facts and personal opinion): Did the person involved say anything to you? If so, what? on D - Immediate Actions Taken Informed Safeguarding Focal Point Removed individual from activity				

Section E - Signature

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Section F – For Use by Safeguarding Focal Point Only • Date Report Received:	
Date Report Received:	
Initial Assessment: □ Low Risk □ Medium Risk □ High Risk	
Further Action Required:	
☐ Internal Follow-Up☐ Inform Parents/Guardians	
☐ Refer to Social Services	
☐ Contact Police	
□ Other:	

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ANNEX III

APS Taranto Makers - Parental Consent and Media Release Form

To be completed by a parent or legal guardian

APS Taranto Makers is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment for all children and adolescents involved in its educational, creative, and social programs. To ensure full transparency and child protection, we request your consent for your child's participation and potential media inclusion.

Section A – Child's Information	
Full Name of Child:	
Date of Birth:	
School/Class (if applicable):	
Known Medical Conditions/Allergies:	
Section B – Parent/Guardian Information	
Full Name:	
Relationship to Child:	
Phone Number:	
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1. Participation Consent





I, the undersigned, give permission for my child to participate in the activities organized by APS Taranto Makers , including but not limited to workshops, digital labs, events, training sessions, and creative projects, whether held in-person or online.
☐ Yes, I give consent ☐ No, I do not give consent
2. Emergency Medical Authorization
In case of emergency, I authorize APS Taranto Makers staff to take necessary actions, including contacting emergency services or administering first aid, until I can be reached.
☐ Yes, I give consent ☐ No, I do not give consent
3. Media Release Consent
I authorize APS Taranto Makers to photograph, film, or record my child during official activities for the purpose of documenting and promoting the organization's educational and community-based initiatives. These images or recordings may appear in:
 Printed publications (e.g., brochures, posters)
Official website and social media pages
Reports to partners or funders
Public exhibitions or community events
 ☐ Yes, I give consent for media use ☐ No, I do not give consent for any media use ☐ Yes, but only for internal reports (not public)

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Section C – Declaration and Signature

I confirm that I have read and understood the above sections and agree to the conditions stated. I am legally authorized to provide consent for the child named above.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: $_$		
Full Name (in print):		
Date:		
Location:	_	

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