# **Factsheet on ClearCheck**

# What is ClearCheck?

- ClearCheck is a highly secure online platform of a centralized database. It permits to share
  information amongst UN entities, system-wide, on individuals (subjects} who have established
  allegations related to sexual harassment (SH}, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (SEA} with
  the aim to prevent re-employing them within the UN system.
- The UN Secretariat (DMSPC/OHR/ALD} is the 'business owner' of ClearCheck.
- ClearCheck has been operational since 28 June 2018.

### What is recorded in the ClearCheck database?

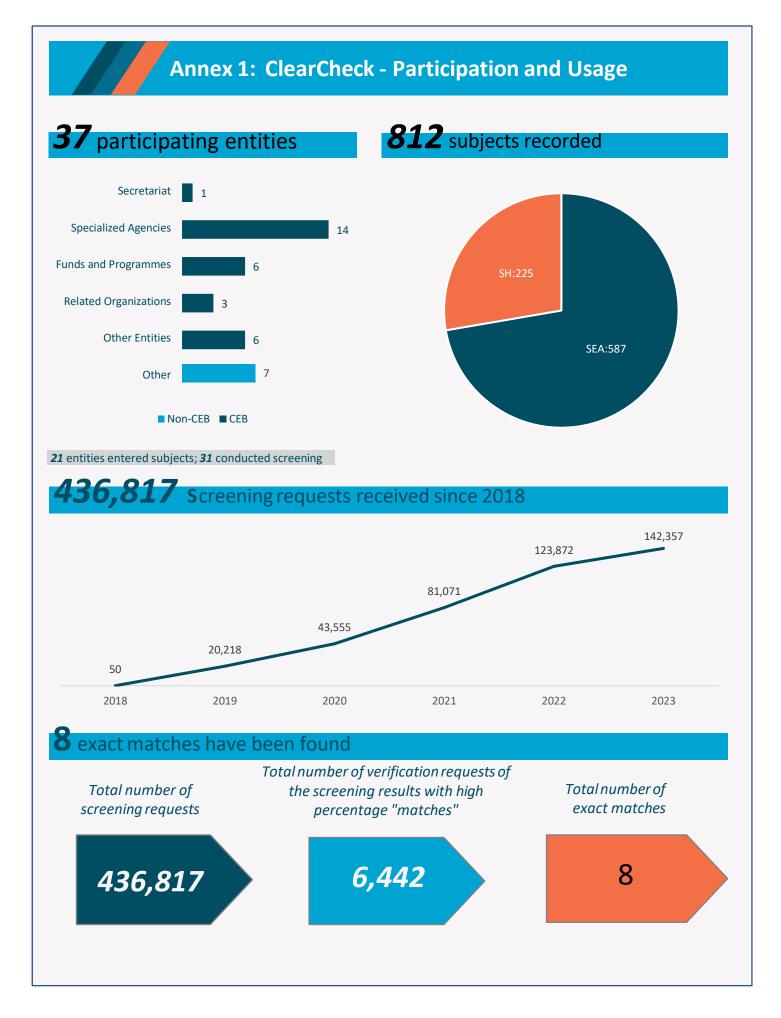
- Individuals against whom allegations of SEA, while in service of an UN entity, were substantiated following an investigation and a disciplinary process.
- Individuals who resigned or separated from a UN entity, while being the subject of a pending investigation and/or disciplinary process for SEA.
- Individuals against whom allegations of SH, while in service of an entity, were substantiated following an investigation and a disciplinary process.
- Individuals who resigned or separated from a UN entity, while being the subject of a pending investigation and/or disciplinary process for SH.

## What is the ClearCheck Community?

- ClearCheck is available to all **31** member organizations of the UN CEB. It is also available to the other entities of the UN system.
- Currently, there are **37** UN entities [**30 CEB members and 7 non-CEB members**] that participate in ClearCheck.
- When UN entities agree to join the ClearCheck community, they agree to abide by the two sets of the ClearCheck guidelines:
  - 1. Guidelines for the SEA component; and
  - 2. Guidelines for the SH component
- These guidelines instruct entities to enter their subjects of SEA & SH cases in the database (if they have any}, and to screen the candidates they consider hiring.

#### **Annexes**

Annex 1: ClearCheck - Participation and Usage Annex 2: ClearCheck - Operation and Guidance





#### The use of ClearCheck follows two sets of guidelines:

#### 1. Guidelines for the SEA component of ClearCheck:

The updated version of the SEA guidelines was endorsed by the Secretary-General's High-Level Steering Group (HLSG) on 27 July 2018. It broadens the scope to include all uniformed personnel.

#### 2. Guidelines for the SH component of ClearCheck:

The expanded version of the SH guidelines was endorsed by the Working Group (WG) of the CEB Task Force on SH on 18 December 2018.

# The UN Secretariat (DMSPC/OHR/ALD) is the 'business owner' of ClearCheck. OHR, in collaboration with all ClearCheck Focal Points, is responsible for:

- a) Monitoring entry of data to populate ClearCheck; and liaising with Data Administrators and Focal Points to ensure regular updating and utilization of the database.
- b} Monitoring and reporting on adoption of the expanded guidelines to include pending allegations; and promoting adoption of the expanded scope of the database.
- c} Reporting on the status of data entry and system-wide utilization of ClearCheck.
- d} Outreach to non-participating entities to achieve successful expansion of ClearCheck to all CEB members, and to non-CEB organizations.

#### There are currently 420 active users of ClearCheck (some have more than one role):

- a) 403 "User" role i.e., Hiring Manager, handling screening;
- b) 91 "Manager" role i.e., Data Administrator, entering data (subjects);
- c) 61 "Officer" role i.e., Verification Request, viewing and handling requests; and
- d) 4 "Administrator" role i.e., System Administrator maintaining/monitoring.

Those with "Officer" role automatically act as "Manager," but not necessarily the other way around. All 419 users, regardless of their role, have signed the "Confidentiality Undertaking."

#### There are three Quick Reference Guides for users:

- a} ClearCheck Quick Reference Guide for Data Administrators
- b} ClearCheck Quick Reference Guide for Hiring Managers
- c} ClearCheck Quick Reference Guide for Verification Request Management

#### SOP for ClearCheck (intended for the UN Secretariat only):

Since recruitment practices/policy frameworks may vary among the entities, there i s not one universal SOP for all. Therefore, participating UN entities are encouraged to is sue their respective SOP.



| UN Entities          | UN Entities  | CEB / Non-CEB |
|----------------------|--|---------------|
| UN Secretariat       | United Nations Secretariat   | CEB           |
| * UNEP               | United Nations Environment Programme   | CEB           |
| * UN-Habitat         | United Nations Human Settlements Programme                                     | CEB           |
| * UNODC              | United Nations Office on Drugs and Crimes                                      | CEB           |
| * UNCTAD             | United Nations Conference on Trade and Development                             | CEB           |
| FAO                  | Food and Agriculture Organization  | CEB           |
| IAEA                 | International Atomic Energy Agency   | CEB           |
| ICAO                 | International Civil Aviation Organization                                      | CEB           |
| IFAD                 | International Fund for Agricultural Development                                | CEB           |
| ILO                  | International Labour Organization  | CEB           |
| IMO                  | International Maritime Organization  | CEB           |
| IOM                  | International Organization for Migration                                       | CEB           |
| ITU                  | International Telecommunication Union  | CEB           |
| UNDP (including UNV) | United Nations Development Programme (United Nations Volunteers Programme)     | CEB           |
| UNESCO               | United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization               | CEB           |
| UNFPA                | United Nations Population Fund   | CEB           |
| UNHCR                | United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees                                  | CEB           |
| UNICEF               | United Nations Children's Fund   | CEB           |
| UNIDO                | United Nations Industrial Development Organization                             | CEB           |
| UNOPS                | United Nations Office for Project Services                                     | CEB           |
| UNRWA                | United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East | CEB           |
| UN Women             | United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women         | CEB           |
| UNWTO                | United Nations World Tourism Organization                                      | CEB           |
| UPU                  | Universal Postal Union   | CEB           |
| WBG                  | World Bank Group   | CEB           |
| WFP                  | World Food Programme   | CEB           |
| WHO                  | World Health Organization  | CEB           |
| WIPO                 | World Intellectual Property Organization                                       | CEB           |
| WMO                  | World Meteorological Organization  | CEB           |
| WTO                  | World Trade Organization   | CEB           |
| ICC                  | International Criminal Court   | Non-CEB       |
| ITC                  | International Trade Centre   | Non-CEB       |
| UNAIDS               | Joint United Nations Programme on HIV and AIDS                                 | Non-CEB       |
| UNIDIR               | United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research                              | Non-CEB       |
| UNSSC                | United Nations System Staff College  | Non-CEB       |
| UNU                  | United Nations University  | Non-CEB       |
| UNRISD               | United Nations Research Institute for Social Development                       | Non-CEB       |