



## **THERE IS #NOEXCUSE TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN**

### **16 Days of Activism campaign starts, IHRO calls for action now to end violence against women and girls**

Marking the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and the start of the annual 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) called on to increase efforts and resources to combat all forms of violence experienced by women and girls, including online violence.

“Online violence against women and girls is a violation of their fundamental rights. Although often invisible, it leaves a very real and negative impact on women and girls, causing psychological harm, threatening safety, silences them and deepens the digital gender gap.

The IHRO Secretariat works to combat all forms of violence against women, including online violence. These efforts include advancing data collection, and increasing capacity-building and raising awareness to help governments and civil society effectively respond to these challenges.

The Founder President IHRO Dr Khalid Sulehri has called for strengthened cooperation between governments, civil society, and the private sector to ensure digital spaces are safe, inclusive, and empowering for women and girls everywhere.