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## Dear Network Members and Network Interested,

In the last months we could notice some movement regarding children's rights in politics on a European level. Let us continue to contribute to and have an influence on these developments. Please feel free to contact us with comments, news and ideas for improvement via the regular e-mail address: [info@enmcr.net](mailto:info@enmcr.net)  
Looking forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,  
Lea Fenner (Editor)

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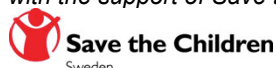
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## General News Internal

### **ENMCR's New Directive Committee**

The new directive committee of the network, elected during the General Assembly in February in Braga, Portugal, took up its work. The Members of the directive committee are: Manfred Liebel (International Academy at the Free University Berlin, Germany), Lourdes Gaitán (Universidad Complutense Madrid/Grupo de Sociólogos, Spain), Karl Hanson (Institut Universitaire Kurt Boesch, Sion, Switzerland), Maria Roth (Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj Napoca, Romania) and Kai Tisdall (University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom).

### **Introduction of New Member**

We are glad to be able to present a new network member - the **Universitatea de Vest Timisoara, Faculty of Sociology and Psychology, Romania**. The membership was officially approved on the General Assembly in February this year.

The Universitatea de Vest Timisoara is offering the two year Master programme "Preventing Violence against Children within Family and Society" which focuses on topics such

as: the psychology of human development, Violence, trauma and resilience, the impact of violence on child development, forms of violence against children, interventions aimed to increase the resiliency of child victims, child welfare systems, management of services for children and families. The programme also includes a module of field practice.

For further information see: <http://www.uvt.ro/>

**5th Summer University Around the Topic of Children's Rights - This Edition is on "Children's Rights and the Media"**

Venue: Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

Date: 4-8 July 2011

**Registrations until: 30 May 2011** under [www.lecide.be](http://www.lecide.be)

The Summer University is jointly organized by Defense for Children International (DEI- Belgium), the Interdisciplinary Center on CR (Belgium), the International Institute of CR (IDE - Switzerland) and the University Institute Kurt Bösch (IUKB- Switzerland) and the participation of JDJ.

The objective of the course is to sensitize participants to a general culture of Children's Rights (CR). A scientific committee of international experts defines a key topic on CR that the participants will work on during five consecutive days. The course includes theoretical interventions as well as case studies, debates and practical activities and takes an interdisciplinary approach and intercultural dimension.

5 main topics will be covered during theoretical interventions, round tables, group activities:

- Children and the media: which rights?
- Children in the media
- Role of media in the protection of CR
- Access, education and participation to the media
- Promotion of CR through media

Target audience: 30 professionals working in the field and related to children and youth (social aid, education, psychology, medicine, law, justice, development, journalism etc.) and post-graduate students interested in Children's Rights. Selection through interest and motivation, their professional experience and their university background/career. Language proficiency in French (course is taught in French only).

Costs: 445 € (including course fees, documentation, access to infrastructure, breakfasts). Personal expenses, accommodation costs and transport are not included.

For more information, contact: Laurene Graziani ([laurenegraziani@hotmail.com](mailto:laurenegraziani@hotmail.com)).

## General News External

**Statement: For the First Time, Working Children in Bolivia are Making a Bill for Their Rights. They Deserve our Solidarity!**

The Union of Working Children and Adolescents of Bolivia (UNATSBO)<sup>1</sup> has recently drafted a bill "on the recognition, promotion, protection and defence of the rights of working children and adolescents"<sup>2</sup>. This is a novelty in the history of children's rights as well as labour law and social law. Although children have occasionally been consulted in the elaboration of child laws, never has a bill been drafted by the children themselves. The draft is furthermore a novelty since it expresses the perspective of working children and adolescents on the topic of "child labour" and is based on the idea that also children have a right to work in dignity.

We welcome the fact that in the draft bill the working children and adolescents are understood as „social subjects in their own right“ and that the state is obliged to acknowledge and value the economic, social and cultural contribution that the children and adolescents make with their work. We find just as important that the state is obliged to promote the working rights of the children and adolescents – no matter which age – as “social actors”, to protect them against abuse and exploitation at work, to provide for an integral education and vocational training that complies with their wishes, capacities and abilities. All this corresponds with the spirit of the

new constitution of the plurinational and communitarian state of Bolivia.

The draft bill is the result of an extensive consultation of working children and adolescents. It is not easy to compose a whole bill, especially since children usually do not have a say in these things. They had to find phrases that comply with judicial criteria and possess the necessary universality without their personal experiences and specific concerns getting left out. When children claim for themselves a right to work, they have international agreements and habitual patterns of thought against them which easily lead to the assumption that they want to legitimate "child labour". However, they even made a list of activities that they consider should be prohibited for possibly being harmful to children. For working children who have experienced exploitation and abuse themselves, this is self-evident.

In their draft bill, the children and adolescents want to avoid the impression that they are not aware of their responsibility. They oblige themselves to handle working tools with care, to fulfill the rules at their workplace and to report all cases of exploitation or abuse. This may also be self-evident for the children. However, as a legal obligation, such regulations could lead to the rights of children, whose protection and promotion is in focus, being subject to good conduct. This contradicts the idea that children's rights, as all human rights, are valid without any conditions. Nevertheless, the draft bill paves the way for the fundamental idea to take children's rights seriously and extensively formulate them also for working children in a previously unknown clarity and resoluteness.

The children cannot enact the bill themselves. They will have to tackle many obstacles before their voices are heard and they find enough allies. We call on the Bolivian deputies and authorities as well as the international community that sees itself responsible for children's rights, to take the children's right to participate – as constituted in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child – seriously. We call on them to support the children and adolescents of UNATSBO in their historic undertaking. It would be the first time worldwide for a bill on the protection of children's rights to become reality that has been initiated by children themselves and is based on their own experiences and ideas.

1 In the Spanish original: Unión de Niños, Niñas y Adolescentes Trabajadores de Bolivia (UNATSBO). The phrasing specifically indicates that both sexes are included. UNATSBO was founded in 2000.

2 The original title of the bill is Propuesta normativa para el reconocimiento, promoción, protección y defensa de los niños, niñas y adolescentes trabajadores.

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For further information in German, English and Spanish please follow this link:

<http://www.pronats.de/home/news/unatsbo-gesetzentwurf/> . If you agree with this statement and want to support it, please send a message to: [info@pronats.de](mailto:info@pronats.de)

### **UN: Upcoming Session of the Committee of the Rights of the Child**

The 57th Session of the Committee on the Rights of the Child will take place from 30 May to 17 June 2011 in Geneva, Switzerland.

During the session, the Committee will examine country reports from Bahrain, Cambodia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czech Republic, Egypt and Finland on their implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

### **Survey on NGOs Follow-Up to the UNCRC Committee Concluding Observations**

The NGO Group for the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) has drawn up a survey to assess the ways in which NGOs follow-up on the Concluding Observations, issued by the Committee on the Rights of the Child, after each State review.

The aim of the survey is to achieve a greater understanding of how NGOs use Concluding Observations, and more specifically, find both examples of successful follow-up strategies adopted by NGOs and also learn about the challenges they face.

NGO input is vital since it will help the NGO Group develop a strategy to support NGOs in this area. The greater the NGO participation in this survey, the more effectively the NGO Group will be able to share information with the child rights community.

To participate in the survey: <http://childrightsnet.blogspot.com/>

If you have any questions or comments please contact Robin Spencer at [consultant@childrightsnet.org](mailto:consultant@childrightsnet.org).

### **Human Rights Council: Resolution on Children Living and/or Working on the Street**

A number of resolutions were also adopted during the 16th session of the UN Human Rights Council.

One was addressing the issue of "Children living and / or working on the street": a holistic approach to the protection and promotion of the rights of children working and/or living on the street, adopted without a vote, the Council strongly condemns the violations and abuses of the rights of children living and/or working on the street. These violations include discrimination and stigmatization, lack of access to basic services, including education and basic health care, and all forms of violence, abuse, maltreatment, neglect or negligent treatment experienced by them. Source: CRIN

### **Consultation on Council of Europe Draft Recommendation on Child and Youth Participation**

The Council of Europe is developing a recommendation to its 47 member states on the participation of children and young people under 18 in decisions affecting them. A draft of this recommendation is now available for comments from NGOs and ombudspersons for children.

The Council of Europe is intending to actively involve children in the work on this recommendation and you are also very welcome to consult children before sending your comments, either through existing forums or a methodology for a half-day workshop developed for that purpose.

Read the draft recommendation: <http://www.crin.org/resources/infodetail.asp?id=24887>

For further information: [http://www.coe.int/t/dg3/children/participation/PoliciesActivities2\\_en.asp](http://www.coe.int/t/dg3/children/participation/PoliciesActivities2_en.asp)

The **consultation** period is **open until 8 June 2011**.

Contact: Agnes von Maravic [Agnes.vonMaravic@coe.int](mailto:Agnes.vonMaravic@coe.int)

### **European Parliament Adopts Framework for Improving Europe's Education and Training Systems**

On 12 May the European Parliament plenary approved the own-initiative report Youth on the Move: a framework for improving Europe's education and training systems by MEP Milan Zver (EPP, SI). Responding to the Commission communication of 15 September 2010 'Youth on the Move', one of the flagship initiatives of the EU's growth strategy - Europe 2020, the report proposes nearly 30 specific measures to promote mobility among young Europeans and improve their educational and training opportunities. Proposals target, among others, reducing early school leaving, making higher education more attractive and increasing funding for EU youth mobility programmes.

### **Council Adopts two Resolutions in the Field of Youth**

On the 3090th Education, Youth, Culture and Sport Council Meeting in Brussels on 19-20 May 2011, the Council adopted two resolutions in the field of Youth:

- Encouraging new **effective forms of participation of all young people** in democratic life

The resolution aims at enhancing civic engagement and democratic participation of young people by encouraging the acquisition and development of key competences and new skills as well as mobility, facilitating the improvement of young people's personal skills and motivating them to participate fully in the education system, in the labour market and in Community life.

- The **structured dialogue with young people on youth employment**

This resolution sets out policy priorities for the next Team Presidency (PL, DK and CY).

In addition, ministers discuss voluntary activities of young people and their contribution to the development of local activities, in the context of "2011 – European Year of Voluntary Activities".

### **Children's Forum of Latvia Launched the Youth Parliament**

On 26 April, the Speaker of the Parliament of Latvia Solvita Aboltina, together with the Chair of the Board of the Children's Forum of Latvia - Inete Ielīte, and the Director of Transparency International Latvia Kristaps Petermanis launched the Youth Parliament.

The Youth Parliament is the first initiative to engage young people and their NGOs in Latvian politics. It will gather 100 youngsters aged 15-19 in Riga on 3 June after they have presented their ideas on the website [www.jauniesusaeima.lv](http://www.jauniesusaeima.lv), gathered support from any age voters



through the national social network and been elected. Up to 5 of the young people will be further engaged with the Parliament.

Young people are invited to present their ideas as well as supporting documents and presentations using various ways of expression. The ideas should relate to one of the seven areas: education and culture; social issues and health; economic development; participation in the modern society; me and the European Union (EU); my idea for Latvia. To facilitate the process, a special guidebook for youngsters was developed and further help in the process will be provided. The young people will have the possibility to exchange opinions and present solutions that will result in a Resolution to the Latvian Parliament.

### **Online Resource Centre on Child Protection and Child Rights Governance**

Save the Children's Resource Centre, an online portal with updated information on child protection and child rights governance has been launched on 31 March.

The Resource Centre provides access to quality assured information and tools on child protection and child rights governance. The eLibrary provides access to a growing collection of more than 1,500 important publications in one convenient location.

More information: <http://resourcecentre.savethechildren.se/content/library/documents/welcome-save-childrens-resource-centre>

### **In German: Seminar - Die Menschenrechte des Kindes - eine Herausforderung an Erwachsene**

am Samstag und Sonntag, den 29. und 30. Oktober 2011 in Berlin

mit Prof. Dr. Waltraut Kerber-Ganse und Prof. Dr. Lothar Krappmann

Ziel des Seminars ist es, die Herausforderungen zu entdecken, welche von der Kinderrechtskonvention der Vereinten Nationen an Erwachsene gerichtet sind. Dieses Instrument internationalen Rechts wurde von fast allen Staaten ratifiziert, die durch ihren Beitritt zur Konvention Verantwortung für die Umsetzung der Rechte der Kinder übernehmen. Er erlässt dafür Gesetze und Verordnungen und stellt Haushaltsmittel zur Verfügung. Tatsächlich sind es jedoch Erwachsene, Eltern, ErzieherInnen, SozialarbeiterInnen, LehrerInnen und viele andere, die diesen Rechten auf Betreuung, Bildung, Gesundheit, Schutz und Mitsprache zum Durchbruch verhelfen müssen. Vor allem müssen sie dafür sorgen, dass Kinder sich selbst als TrägerInnen ihrer Menschenrechte wahrnehmen und sie zunehmend in die eigene Regie übernehmen. Deshalb kann die Beziehung von Erwachsenen und Kindern nur als eine dialogische begriffen werden. Dieser Dialog muss von der Anerkennung des Kindes als eines zu respektierenden jungen Menschen mit eigenen Interessen und eigener Lebensperspektive getragen werden (Menschenwürde des Kindes).

**Kosten:** 100,- Euro pro TeilnehmerIn, für ZPSA-Studierende und –Ehemalige 75,- Euro.

**Anmeldung** verbindlich bis zum **01. Juni 2011** per Mail im ZPSA Büro an. Sie erhalten dann eine Zahlungsaufforderung.

Wir bitten zu beachten, dass das Seminar nur stattfinden kann, wenn es genügend verbindliche Anmeldungen gibt. Daher bitten wir Sie, Reisebuchungen etc. erst Mitte Juni vorzunehmen.

## **P u b l i c a t i o n s**

### **New Book: The Changing Faces of Ireland - Exploring the Lives of Immigrant and Ethnic Minority Children**

Edited by Merike Darmody Economic and Social Research Institute, Dublin, Ireland, Naomi Tyrrell University of Plymouth, UK, Steve Song George Fox University, Oregon, USA

For more information:

[https://www.sensepublishers.com/product\\_info.php?products\\_id=1210&osCsid=2c26b4cdad50422198af89fc79a28424](https://www.sensepublishers.com/product_info.php?products_id=1210&osCsid=2c26b4cdad50422198af89fc79a28424)

**Book: Every Right for Every Child - Governance and Accountability**

Edited by Enakshi Ganguly Thukral, April 2011

Children are rarely considered political entities or citizens in their own right. They are viewed as extensions of adults or simply as members of families and communities. Concerned with the mainstreaming of children's interests in policy-making, this book raises such questions as: What is good governance vis-à-vis children? What are the standards and indicators? Can there be one answer for this question that is applicable to all countries? In order to arrive at a better understanding of what good governance for children means and how the realization of the political, cultural, social and civil rights of children may be achieved, the book draws on the diverse and yet comprehensive body of knowledge that has developed over the years from initiatives taken by organisations across the world who work with policy makers to make governance systems more accountable and responsive to the well-being of children as citizens in themselves, simultaneously empowering children to take part in decision-making processes that impact their lives. Order here: <http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415678377/>

**In German: Partizipation – Ein Kinderrecht**

Edition terre des hommes, 2011, Hans-Martin Große-Oetringhaus / Peter Strack (Hg.)

[http://tdh.de/content/meldungen/20110415\\_partizipation.htm](http://tdh.de/content/meldungen/20110415_partizipation.htm)

**CoE Publication: Human Rights in Europe: No Grounds for Complacency**

Thomas Hammarberg, April 2011

Political rhetoric on human rights in Europe is different from daily reality. Agreed standards are not consistently enforced. There is an implementation gap - that is the reality this book seeks to address. I have travelled widely in Europe. What I have seen and heard has made me deeply impatient. Progress is too slow; and the disappointment felt by many is more than justified. For this the politicians in power have a responsibility; the implementation of human rights is largely a question of political will. In the viewpoints published in this volume, I have tried to define the shortcomings still existing in Europe today - but also to suggest concrete remedies. I hope these recommendations will provoke constructive discussion. Order here:

[http://book.coe.int/EN/ficheouvrage.php?PAGEID=36&lang=EN&produit\\_aliasid=2609](http://book.coe.int/EN/ficheouvrage.php?PAGEID=36&lang=EN&produit_aliasid=2609)

**FRA Publications**

**- Access to Justice in Europe: an Overview of Challenges and Opportunities**

March 2011, Download:

[http://fra.europa.eu/fraWebsite/research/publications/publications\\_per\\_year/pub\\_access-to-justice\\_en.htm](http://fra.europa.eu/fraWebsite/research/publications/publications_per_year/pub_access-to-justice_en.htm)

**- Handbook on European Non-Discrimination Law**

March 2011, Download:

[http://fra.europa.eu/fraWebsite/research/publications/publications\\_per\\_year/pub\\_handbook\\_caselaw\\_en.htm](http://fra.europa.eu/fraWebsite/research/publications/publications_per_year/pub_handbook_caselaw_en.htm)

**AGJ (Germany): First independent Children and Young People's Report on the Implementation of the UNCRC**

The "Arbeitsgemeinschaft Kinder- und Jugendhilfe - AGJ", published the first independent report card for Children's Rights in Germany in 2010. The English version is now available.

More than 3,500 young people between 5 and 18 years participated in the elaboration of this report, which was forwarded to the UN Committee for the Rights of the Child in Geneva.

The report covers a wide range of issues such as

- Children's Rights in the Family,
- Children's Rights in the place where they live,
- Children's Rights in Free Time Activities, or
- Growing up and health.

At the end of the report children formulated their Children's Rights Policy Demands.

Download report in English:

[http://www.eurochild.org/index.php?id=393&L=0&tx\\_ttnews\[tt\\_news\]=2162&tx\\_ttnews\[backPid\]=204&cHash=b8fc4cd1c5d87ba7325421c4d391e74a](http://www.eurochild.org/index.php?id=393&L=0&tx_ttnews[tt_news]=2162&tx_ttnews[backPid]=204&cHash=b8fc4cd1c5d87ba7325421c4d391e74a)

**CRIN Advocacy Toolkit: Inhuman Sentencing**

May 2011 - This kit is intended to provide advocacy ideas to organisations or individuals in States which are still subjecting children to inhuman sentencing.

Download: <http://www.crin.org/resources/infoDetail.asp?ID=24963&flag=report>

**CRIN Toolkit : Child-Friendly Justice and Children's Rights**

May 2011- Report on children's right to child-friendly justice, including examples of good practice, international and regional standards, and research and other resources.

Download: <http://www.crin.org/resources/infoDetail.asp?ID=24828&flag=report>

**UNICEF Papers on Immigration Proceedings and Detention of Children**

**- Administrative Detention of Children: A Global Report**

Download: [www.unicef.org/.../Administrative\\_detention\\_discussion\\_paper\\_April2011.pdf](http://www.unicef.org/.../Administrative_detention_discussion_paper_April2011.pdf)

**- Age Assessment Practices: A Literature Review & Annotated Bibliography**

Download: [www.unicef.org/protection/files/Age\\_Assessment\\_Practices\\_2010.pdf](http://www.unicef.org/protection/files/Age_Assessment_Practices_2010.pdf)

**CRIN Website in Arabic**

CRIN launched a brand new Arabic website and CRINMAIL. With it, CRIN aims to break the language barrier by making resources available to rights advocates as well as children in Arabic-speaking countries.

The Arabic website will serve as a reference point for rich and comprehensive information, including treaties and conventions, research, and resources. It will additionally provide continuous coverage of children's rights news and related activities and events at the international level, including in the Middle East and North Africa.

With the hope of moving towards creating a larger body of children's rights advocacy, CRIN invites you to join its network and to share any information, activities or resources relating to children's rights in your country.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.crin.org/arabic>

Alternatively, contact: [Arabic@crin.org](mailto:Arabic@crin.org) or [info@crin.org](mailto:info@crin.org)

## Funding/Prizes/Research Opportunities

**Call for Papers: Honouring the Child, Honouring Equity: Inspiring change(s) – Insights, Challenges, Hopes and Actions**

Organisation: University of Melbourne, Location: Melbourne, Australia

**Submission deadline: 3 June 2011**

For more information: <http://www.crin.org/resources/infoDetail.asp?ID=24660&flag=event>

**Call for Abstracts: Child Rights & Sight Conference September 10, 2011**

Organized by: Distressed Children & Infants International (DCI)

The Conference on Child Rights & Sight convenes leaders and changemakers from the fields of child rights, poverty alleviation, global health, international development, and social entrepreneurship. **Abstract submissions close: June 30, 2011**

For more information: <http://www.distressedchildren.org>

Or e-mail: Ian Burzynski [ian@distressedchildren.org](mailto:ian@distressedchildren.org)

**Call for Papers: Children and Childhood Studies Area**

Mid-Atlantic Popular/American Culture Association's Annual Conference

**Deadline for submission: June 15, 2011**

Conference information: Thursday, November 3 - Saturday, November 5, 2011, Radisson Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia, PA <http://www.mapaca.net/confer/conferHome.html>

Submission information:

The Mid-Atlantic Popular and American Culture Association (MAPACA) invites academics,



graduate and undergraduate students, independent scholars, and artists to submit papers for the annual conference to be held in Philadelphia, PA. MAPACA is an inclusive professional organization dedicated to the study of Popular Culture and American Culture in all their multidisciplinary manifestations.

The Children and Childhood Studies Area focuses on the societal, cultural, and political forces which shape the lives of children and the concept of childhood. CCS research draws from the behavioral and social sciences as well as the arts. Papers in this area examine the impact of popular culture on children and childhood, as well as the role of children and young adults as influencers and creators of that popular culture.

Those interested in presenting at the conference are invited to submit ONE proposal or panel to a MAPACA area chair. For other areas of interest please visit the conference home page (link listed above). Send by e-mail a one-page abstract to the appropriate area chair by June 15, 2010. Include a brief bio with your proposal. Single papers, as well as 3 or 4 person panels and roundtables, are encouraged.

To submit proposals in the area of Children and Childhood Studies contact:

Vibiana Bowman Cvetkovic: [vibiana@gmail.com](mailto:vibiana@gmail.com)

### **Call for Papers: 33rd IBBY Congress on the Themes of Translation and Migration**

Submissions must be made through the online form available on the IBBY Congress 2012 website. An abstract (in English) of your proposal, not exceeding 500 words, and a summary (English or Spanish), not exceeding 60 words, must accompany your application. The papers will be presented at parallel sessions lasting 20 minutes, with 10 minutes for questions.

There are two central themes to this congress, both relating to the impact of globalisation.

The first theme is translation: the translation of children's literature and stories between one language and another, and the translation of stories between one medium and another (for example, books, films, theatre and electronic formats).

The second theme is migration: the migration of people between one country and another with the consequent creation of diaspora, and the migration of cultures and ideas.

The **closing date for submissions is Thursday 30th June 2011.**

For more information, please visit: [www.ibbycongress2012.org](http://www.ibbycongress2012.org)

### **Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunities**

The Centre for Children & Young People (CCYP) at Southern Cross University, Lismore, Australia is currently welcoming enquiries from highly motivated and appropriately qualified researchers wishing to apply for a Postdoctoral Fellowship. The CCYP is well known for its interdisciplinary research interests linked to Childhood Studies. For more information on this Postdoctoral Fellowship opportunity please contact Professor Anne Graham at:

[anne.graham@scu.edu.au](mailto:anne.graham@scu.edu.au) and visit: <http://www.scu.edu.au/research/index.php/82/>

### **Special Issue Call for Papers: Middle East Journal of Culture and Communication**

Youth, Media and the Politics of Change in North Africa

Negotiating Identities, Spaces and Power

Guest Editor: Loubna H. Skalli (American University, Washington D.C.)

The purpose of this special issue is to document ways in which the Maghreb countries of North Africa (Morocco, Tunisia, Algeria and Libya) provide vibrant and complex settings for studying the dynamics of change, creativity, and continuity as these societies continue to adjust to the current security, demographic and development challenges.

For this issue, we solicit theoretical and empirical papers with single country or cross-country analysis related to the following areas:

- Youth, activism and social media
- Negotiation of gender/identities in an era of securitization and neo-liberal globalization
- Expressive identities through cultural/media forms: music (Hip Hop), television, theatre, film, and other artistic forms
- The emergence a new generation of cultural/media entrepreneurs and their redefinition of the cultural/media landscapes in the region.
- Emerging spaces for re/defining challenging gender norms and valuesGender, virtual

- communities and social networks (blogs, e-diaries, journals etc).
- New/old media and emerging forms of political expression, participation and mobilization Diaspora, generational dynamics and identities, opportunities and constraints (institutional, ideological, financial, etc) that arise from creating new cultural/media spaces and redefining old ones.

**Deadline for submission of abstracts: July 8, 2011.** Abstracts should not exceed 500 words. Please explain your contribution to this special issue: provide a clear description of the proposed approach, the theoretical framework and empirical data (single country or comparative). Notification of acceptance of abstracts: July 15, 2011

**Deadline for submission of complete manuscripts: January 15, 2012.**

Papers should be between 6000- 7000 words long and include an abstract of 150 words that clearly defines the focus of the article. Provide 5 keywords to identify the article.

All papers will go through the standard peer-review process and will be accepted or rejected based on the quality of their contribution to the special issue.

Expected publication date of accepted articles is 2012.

Please email the abstract to Dr Loubna H. Skalli: [Hanna@american.edu](mailto:Hanna@american.edu)

### **Call to Academic Institutions for Developing a Diploma in Child Protection in Emergencies**

The Child Protection Working Group seeks to partner with an academic institution with a proven ability to develop modules on child protection in emergencies to develop modules for an Advanced Diploma in Child Protection in Emergencies.

The Advanced Diploma aims to address the remaining gaps in child protection in emergencies staff capacity and to build upon the innovative inter-agency capacity building initiatives in the child protection in emergencies sector.

The **deadline** for submissions of the **Declaration of Intent** is Monday **13 June 2011**.

For further details about the proposed programme and partnership:

<http://www.elrha.org/news/CPWG>

### **Call for Proposals: Preparatory Action in the Field of Sport 2011 - EAC/18/11**

This call for proposals serves to implement the preparatory action in the field of sport in accordance with the Commission Decision adopting the 2011 annual work programme on grants and contracts for the preparatory action in the field of sport and for the special annual events.

The main objective of the preparatory actions in the field of sport is to prepare future EU actions in this field, on the basis of priorities set in the 2007 White Paper on Sport and the 2011 Communication on Developing the European Dimension in Sport.

This call for proposals will support transnational projects put forward by public bodies or not-for-profit organisations in order to identify and test suitable networks and good practices in the field of sport, in the following areas:

- prevention of and fight against violence and intolerance in sport;
- promoting innovative approaches to strengthen the organisation of sport in Europe.

More information: [http://ec.europa.eu/sport/preparatory\\_actions/doc866\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/sport/preparatory_actions/doc866_en.htm)

## **U p c o m i n g   D a t e s**

- **June 1-2, 2011:** Seminar - Opportunities and Challenges: Implementing the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, Belfast, Northern Ireland
- **June 6-8, 2011:** Conference – Protected Childhood? , Helsinki, Finland
- **June 6-July 11, 2011:** Short course - Understanding Children's Human Rights, LSE Centre, London, UK
- **June 7-9, 2011:** 14. Kinder- und Jugendhilfetag: Kinder. Jugend. Zukunft: Perspektiven entwickeln – Potentiale fördern! Stuttgart, Germany

- **June 16-17, 2011:** Conference – Protecting Children through Family Support, Child and Family Research Centre, Galway, Ireland
- **June 30-July 2, 2011:** Engaging Children, 2nd International Conference of the Child Friendly Asia Pacific Network, Surakarta City, Indonesia
- **July 4-7, 2011:** Playing into the Future - surviving and thriving, Cardiff , Wales
- **July 5-6, 2011:** 3rd International Postgraduate Summer School - The Centre for the Study of Childhood and Youth, University of Sheffield, UK
- **July 10-15, 2011:** IFCO 2011 Conference "Fostering Hope – Together We Can Make a Difference", British Columbia, Canada
- **July 25-26, 2011:** United Nations Youth Conference - Youth: Dialogue and Mutual Understanding, New York, United States of America
- **July 27-29, 2011:** 3rd International Conference of the International Society for Child Indicators Children's Well-Being: The Research and Policy Challenges, NY, USA
- **September 7-10, 2011:** 10th Conference of the European Sociological Association – Social Relations in Turbulent Times, Geneva, Switzerland
- **October 19-22, 2011:** International Conference on Education and Educational Psychology, Istanbul, Turkey
- **October 20-21, 2011:** Conference - Children's Rights for All, Brussels, Belgium
- **November 1-3, 2011:** International Conference on Youth Development, Putrajaya, Malaysia
- **November 30- December 2, 2011:** Eurochild's 8th Annual Conference 2011: "Tackling child poverty through supporting and strengthening families", Cardiff, Wales (UK)
- **December 1-4, 2011:** International Interdisciplinary Conference - A Game That Calls Up Love and Hatred Both?: The Child, the First World War, and the Global South, Sydney, Australia