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### Dear Network Members and Network Interested,

Again the 20<sup>th</sup> of November - ratification date of the UN Convention on the Right's of the Child – is approaching after its 20th Anniversary last year... Let us look at the current situation. 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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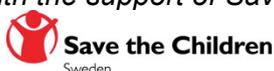
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## General News Internal

### **OPEN LECTURE: Making Children's Rights Real: the UN CRC as a Legal Instrument**

*Institute of Education, University of London, Thursday, 2nd December 2010, 5:30—7pm*

The adoption and almost universal ratification of the CRC brought a new era and great expectations for children's rights... but in reality it seems that children's rights advocacy is still in its infancy, with governments getting away with picking and choosing which rights to respect, little understanding or use of the Convention as the legal instrument which it is, a consequential lack of real remedies for children whose rights are violated and little progress on some issues which seriously challenge traditional attitudes to and treatment of children. Peter will discuss what more can be done now to make the next decade one in which the CRC is taken seriously

Peter Newell is coordinator of the Global Initiative to End All Corporal Punishment of Children and the UK-based Children are Unbeatable! Alliance, campaigning to achieve children's right to equal protection from assault. He was involved in the UN Secretary-General's Study on Violence Against Children and is co-chair of the International NGO Advisory Council for follow-up to the Study; he is also Adviser to the European Network of Ombudspersons for Children (ENOC). He chairs the Council of the Child Rights Information Network – CRIN, and is Vice President of the NGO Group for the CRC. He is co-author of UNICEF's Implementation Handbook for the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

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The lecture is linked to the Institute of Education's MA Sociology of Childhood and Children's Rights and the module 'Theories of Childhood and Children's Rights'.

For details see: [www.ioe.ac.uk](http://www.ioe.ac.uk) No need to book a place, but if you have any queries, please contact Ginny Morrow, [v.morrow@ioe.ac.uk](mailto:v.morrow@ioe.ac.uk)

### **Closed Seminar - Children and Armed Conflict: the Interplay between Human Rights Law and International Law**

On 26 and 27 November 2010, the UNICEF Chair in Children's Rights and the Law and Development Research Group organize an international expert seminar on 'Children and Armed Conflict: the Interplay between Human Rights Law and International Law' in preparation of a theme issue of the international peer-reviewed journal *Human Rights & International Legal Discourse*. For more information on HR&ILD click: <http://www.hrild.org/>

### **Conference at Siauliai University**

On October 15, 2010 the department of Education of Siauliai University, Lithuania held the conference "Prevention of Harassment and Violence in Educational Institutions". The goal of the conference was to share the latest research as well as implementation of its results in the areas of children's rights, violence prevention, education and social pedagogy. It was attended by legislators, social workers, teachers, professors and lecturers from a variety of universities and colleges as well as numerous students. The subjects of the presentations ranged from children's rights issues to the enhancement of socio-cultural environment and the development of new policies related to children's rights. A number of presentations will be included in the "Conference Materials". The anticipated date of publication is December 2010.

### **MCR Closing Conference 2010: Children's Rights Between The Local And The Global** *Saturday 4 December 2010 University Institute Kurt Bösch, Sion (Switzerland)*

Since its adoption in 1989, international organizations, governments and civil society at large have given considerable attention to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and its universal character. Across all regions and in a considerable number of States, the CRC has set in motion a process aiming to implement international human rights principles and rights at the regional, national and local levels. However, actors and researchers more and more often emphasize the need to more thoroughly engage with the broad variety of regional and local contexts in which international children's rights are implemented as well as with bottom up understandings of children's rights. Via the presentation of research papers by students who participated in a two year interdisciplinary master of advanced studies, the conference will explore spaces in between top down and bottom up understandings of children's rights. How can the translations of children's rights be understood no longer as a single, one way process but as a dynamic, circular and continuous process which takes place between local and global levels? In line with the programme's interdisciplinary character, presentations will take into account the need for an interdisciplinary approach as well as for the collaboration of actors working in different areas and with a range of backgrounds including human rights law, development studies, sociology, psychology, educational sciences, social work and political sciences.

Keynote speakers as well as students of the 2009-2010 cycle of the Master of Advanced Studies in Children's Rights (MCR) will discuss a series of particular topics, including Multiple childhoods; Health and gender; Policy; Legal proceedings; Alternative care; Education, in relation to the overall conference theme. We cordially invite professionals and students involved in the broad children's rights field, in particular MCR alumni as well as staff and students from various academic children's rights programmes, to participate in the MCR Closing Conference 2010 Children's Rights between the Local and the Global.

The Conference is addressed to professionals, researchers and students involved in children's rights. MCR alumni as well as staff and students from different children's rights and childhood studies programmes are invited to participate in the programme.

The Conference Children's Rights between the Local and the Global is jointly organised by:

- The Institut Universitaire Kurt Bösch (IUKB), in association with the International Institute for the rights of the child (IDE), both in Sion, Switzerland, and
- The University of Fribourg, Switzerland, represented by its Law Faculty and the Institute for family research and counseling

Persons interested in attending the conference are required to register beforehand by e-mail. Participation in the conference is free. Please note that the conference organizers will not be able to provide assistance with visa, travel or accommodation arrangements. For registration and further information, please contact: Sarah Bruchez – Institut Universitaire Kurt Bösch (IUKB)

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### **Diploma on Public Policy and Child Rights is taking shape in Egypt and Jordan**

The *Diploma on Public Policy and Child Rights* is taking shape in Egypt and Jordan. The Diploma is a TEMPUS funded Joint European Project involving partners from both the EU and the Middle East/North Africa. The project aims to establish a new diploma in the area of children's rights and, ultimately, to contribute to a culture of child-friendly, evidence- and rights-based public policy making by strengthening the capacities of universities and academic networks. The project intends to build a platform that bridges the gap between academic teaching and research and evidence-based public policy making.

In the beginning of October this year, the consortium partners met in Dartington, England, for an intensive workshop on the curricula of the programme. During this meeting, both European and Partner Country universities from Egypt and Jordan jointly worked on the contents for the modules *Growing up in the Arab World*, *Researching Children*, *Child Rights Advocacy* and *Improving Children's Services*. These four courses (out of eight in total) will be taught for the first time in the framework of the *Diploma on Public Policy and Child Rights* which will be launched in February 2011 at two universities in Egypt – Cairo and Asyut – and two universities in Jordan – Hashemite and Jordan University. All four Partner Country universities have intensively been working on advertising the upcoming new diploma and have already started recruiting new students for the upcoming semester. We look forward to further meetings and dissemination activities in the upcoming months.

## General News External

### **New Postgraduate Courses in Childhood and Youth Studies at Southern Cross University**

In November 2010 the Centre for Children and Young People will begin offering a number of new postgraduate courses in Childhood and Youth Studies. These Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Masters level awards focus on a range of issues for children, young people and families. These courses have been designed for professionals working in a range of contexts. They are informed by up-to-date research and include a strong practical component, drawing on international best practice to support practitioners' day-to-day work with children and families. Candidates can enrol in full award courses or undertake single units for the purpose of 'stand alone' accredited professional development. We also provide an approved pathway into the Graduate Certificate for those without an undergraduate degree. Course material is available online with ongoing support from tutors and engagement with peers. The units can be undertaken externally. See: <http://ccyp.scu.edu.au/index.php/81/>

If you would like to discuss the relevance of this course to your learning needs, or those of your colleagues, please e-mail the course coordinator Renata Phelps ([renata.phelps@scu.edu.au](mailto:renata.phelps@scu.edu.au)).

### **Creating Networks that Advance Capacity-Building on Child Rights and Public Policy**

Creating Networks that Advance Capacity Building on Child Rights and Public Policy is a collaboration between Equity for Children, the United Nations Program for Development (UNDP) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). The seminar took place in Panama City on September 23rd and 24th and focused on collaborations across Latin America in the field of academic programs and training experiences related to child rights and social policy.

Visit the website to learn more about the seminar, and stay tuned for more news from Panama including participant interviews and action plans for the future! Read more:

<http://equityforchildren.org/creating-networks-that-advance-capacity-building-on-child-rights-and-public-policy-601/index.html>

Source: Equity for Children

### **CRC Concluding Observations**

The 55th Session of the Convention on the Rights of the Child took place from September 13th to October 1st 2010, with the Committee adopting Concluding Observations for all the States

reviewed on both the CRC and the two Optional Protocols. In addition, the NGO Group for the CRC has published reports of the individual reviews in the Session.

### **New CRC State Reporting Guidelines**

New reporting guidelines for States were adopted on October 1st 2010 to replace those adopted by the Committee on 3 June 2005 (CRC/C/58/Rev.1). These treaty specific guidelines were developed in accordance with the harmonized reporting guidelines for all human rights treaty bodies and should be applied in conjunction with the preparation and submission of a common core document.

This will have implications on the way NGOs report to the CRC in the future. For further information, contact the NGO Group for the CRC: <http://www.childrightsnet.org/>

Download document:

[http://www.crin.org/docs/FileManager/treaty\\_specific\\_guidelines\\_2010.doc](http://www.crin.org/docs/FileManager/treaty_specific_guidelines_2010.doc)

### **First Report to UN General Assembly on Violence Against Children**

Marta Santos Pais, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children (SRSG) has in her first report to the United Nations General Assembly outlined her vision and priorities to follow up on the Recommendations of the UN Study on Violence Against Children. The study found shocking levels of violence affecting children in all countries. Santos Pais' report includes a set of 12 overarching recommendations, including strengthening national and local commitment and action, promotion of non-violent values and awareness-raising, ensuring participation of children, addressing the gender dimension of violence against children and strengthening international commitment.

More about this can be found on [childout.org](http://childout.org).

### **Launching of the European Commission's "Youth on the Move" Initiative**

The main objective of the new Commission's initiative on Youth, one of the seven flagship projects of the Europe 2020 strategy, is to reinvigorate the education system, promote student mobility and to tackle unemployment among young people. The latter, representing a number of 5,5 millions of young job seekers, is at the forefront of political agendas urged by the financial and economic crisis. Non-formal learning, entrepreneurship and raising awareness of possibilities for study abroad are among 28 points of the "Youth on the Move" programme, looking to ensure young people possess adequate competences and skills allowing them to find their place on the labour market.

To read more about the Youth on the Move programme, visit their newly launched website: [europa.eu/youthonthemove](http://europa.eu/youthonthemove)

### **European Youth Forum Reacts to Youth on the Move Initiative**

With the Commission's Communication "Youth on the Move – An Initiative to unleash the potential of young people to achieve smart, sustainable and inclusive growth in the European Union", the European Youth Forum is pleased to see an ambitious document with concrete tools and benchmark. However, they would also see some approaches to help make it function for the benefit of all young people in Europe and wish for young people to be included not only in the labour market and the economy, but also in the shaping and governing of the future of Europe.

The Youth Forum has recently published a position paper on Youth Guarantee, addressing young people's access to employment. The position paper can be read here:

[http://eurochild.org/index.php?id=493#news\\_shortcut945](http://eurochild.org/index.php?id=493#news_shortcut945)

### **Conference "Europe de l'Enfance":**

#### **Commission Announces Adoption Date for EU strategy for the Rights of the Child**

On 9 September a one-day Conference on the European and international policy agendas on children, youth and children's rights, organized by the Belgium EU Presidency, took place in Antwerp. Three main axes of the Conference were:

- An overview of the different European and international policy agendas on children, youth and children's rights

- An Expert discussion on the new European Commission Communication on the strategy on the rights of the child
- An Exchange of views on criteria for early childhood education and care services

During the Conference, a European Commission's representative announced that the **EU strategy for the rights of the child will be adopted on 17 November**, together with the annual report on the application of the United Nation Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) in the Member States.

### **Ensure Europe's Children Grow Up Strong:**

#### **Don't Let Austerity Measures Jeopardise Children's Future**

Brighter futures for many children in Europe are under threat. Decisions taken by governments' across the European Union in response to the crisis, risk jeopardizing millions of children's quality of life and their overall life chances. In this era of austerity measures it is more important than ever that organisations committed to children's rights and welfare work in partnership and promote a common message.

Eurochild's Annual Conference "Brighter futures - Building effective partnerships to end child poverty" (Örebro Castle, Sweden, 3-5 November 2010) came to an end sending out the final conclusions (consisting of 9 recommendations) to the three main groups of actors:

- The **European Union** needs to adopt a comprehensive and ambitious EU strategy on the rights of the child, and a Recommendation on child poverty and well-being. The EU policy framework to fight child poverty must promote a multi-dimensional approach based on a clear understanding of children's rights.
- **Member States** have to protect and even increase budgets for children and families. Member states should strengthen cooperation and exchange at an EU level on child poverty and well-being. National action to address child poverty and social exclusion must support partnership and cooperation with different stakeholders.
- **Eurochild and its members** will work on raising awareness of the UNCRC and its influence on decision-making among policy makers, practitioners, parents and children. Our work on the UNCRC creates a uniting force that brings together stakeholders across all sectors and professions. Eurochild has an obligation to ensure the voices and concerns of children and young people themselves are heard and taken into account.

The conference gathered some 180 participants from 26 countries including policy makers, NGOs, service providers, local authorities, academics and young people themselves.

Workshops and study visits in and around Örebro showcased good practice examples of how municipalities, NGOs, families & children and researchers are working together to end child poverty.

#### **CAAP - Children's AIDS Art Programme**

The Children's AIDS Art Programme (CAAP), initiated by Mary Miyata in 2004, intends to positively affect the difficult every day life of South African HIV+/AIDS orphans through the expressiveness of art. The paintings are going to be sold as art-calenders and will go around the world as a travelling exhibition to raise money for schooling.

More information: <http://de.betterplace.org/projects/4747-caap-childrens-aids-art-programme>

#### **Global Movement for Children Conference on "Children on the Move"**

A three day conference was organized in Barcelona by the Global Movement for Children, dedicated to the growing issue of children on the move. High level representatives of international governmental and non-governmental organisations gathered to brainstorm on the failure of current world governments' response to offer an adequate level of protection of children that are moving with or beyond the borders of their country. 8 children participated in the conference and shared their experiences.

The chair of the conference, Ms. Najat M'jid, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography summarized the outcome of the conference in those terms: "The response of stakeholders to the needs of children on the move are neither adapted nor adequate. First and foremost, they are too scattered, too focussed (on trafficking for example) and not inclusive enough according to children. There is no protective mechanism

to accompany children on their paths, that would allow their personal development and take account of their best interests”.

More: <http://tdh-childprotection.org/news/children-on-the-move-do-not-want-to-be-categorized>

### **In Spanish: Cuarto Foro Internacional La Niñez Y Su Universo Audiovisual**

*La Habana (Cuba) del 6 al 12 de Diciembre de 2010*

Con el objetivo de promover espacios de participación en los procesos de comunicación y potenciar que los medios contribuyan al enriquecimiento espiritual de la niñez, desde casi cinco lustros, se realizan los Encuentros El Universo Audiovisual de la Niñez Latinoamericana y, más recientemente, el Foro Internacional La Niñez y su Universo Audiovisual. Tiene lugar durante el Festival Internacional del Nuevo Cine Latinoamericano donde se presenta, de manera especial, una muestra internacional de filmes para la niñez y la adolescencia. En esta ocasión, se convoca a aquellos profesionales que trabajan para los/as niños/as a compartir experiencias y proyectos relacionados al audiovisual para la infancia. En esta cita habanera, se desarrollarán talleres impartidos por prestigiosos especialistas, presentaciones de experiencias en el ámbito comunitario, resultados de investigaciones y, sobre todo, se reunirán y fortalecerán las redes entre aquellos que dedican su trabajo a la infancia.

Para mayor información, contactar a:

Pablo Ramos, Coordinador

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Festival Internacional del Nuevo Cine Latinoamericano

E-mail: [unial@festival.icaic.cu](mailto:unial@festival.icaic.cu)

### **Children's Rights E-Learning**

Human Rights Education Associates (HREA) has launched an introductory course on the Rights of the Child. This course takes between three and 10 hours to complete and is completely self-paced and thus can be spread out over days, weeks or even months depending upon the situation of the learner.

See: [http://www.hrea.org/index.php?base\\_id=846&language\\_id=1](http://www.hrea.org/index.php?base_id=846&language_id=1)

### **Website on Children's Drawings**

The main objective of the website is to raise awareness and stimulate interest in drawings of children. The second objective is to provide a virtual meeting place for all those interested in this exciting issue that may cause their views and experiences in the field of scientific research or teaching as less specialized environments such as the local or relative.

See: [www.dibujoinfantil.com](http://www.dibujoinfantil.com)

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

### **Article: Rights Of The Child Under Serbian Law**

*Professor Dr OLGA CVEJIĆ JANČIĆ*

- Harmonization with European and international conventions -

Published in: Zbornik radova Pravnog fakulteta u Novom Sadu – Collected papers of Faculty of Law of Novi Sad, no. XLII, 1-2/2008, pages 145-166

### **SOS Children's Villages International: Interim Evaluation Report of *I Matter* campaign**

SOS Children's Villages International launched their *I Matter* campaign in January 2009, and since then activities have taken place in many countries. Now they have published an interim evaluation report, to assess achievements and failures and to set out measures that still need to be taken. One of the major successes of the campaign was the creation of an International Youth Council, which is made up of more than 25 young people with care experience.

Download report here: [http://www.sos-childrensvillages.org/Focus-areas/Child-rights/Child-rights-issues/Pages/Facts-and-figures-that-matter.aspx?emst=p8UeqQKArj\\_146\\_228056\\_9](http://www.sos-childrensvillages.org/Focus-areas/Child-rights/Child-rights-issues/Pages/Facts-and-figures-that-matter.aspx?emst=p8UeqQKArj_146_228056_9)

### **Study on Children's Perceptions of Drug and Alcohol Issues**

European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction has released a paper on children's perception on drug and alcohol issues. The purpose of the paper is to give meaning and insight into these issues from the perspective of the children themselves, rather than to estimate the relative magnitude of a specific drug or alcohol problem or the numbers of children affected by it. The paper can be read here: <http://www.tdh-childprotection.org/documents/childrens-voices>

### **Save the Children: New Guide to Training the Military in Children's Rights and Protection**

The guide, "Behind the Uniform - Training the military in child rights and child protection in Africa," documents how the agency has delivered military training. It is based on evaluation reports, questionnaires and interviews and includes personal observations by members of the military.

The training covers the main legal instruments concerning child rights and protection and helps the military identify ways in which they can contribute to making the rights of the child a reality before, during and after conflict. It supports the military to develop cooperative relationships with humanitarian agencies. Some elements of the training can be included in the regular military curriculum and assist in establishing permanent child protection structures within military systems. Download: [www.crin.org/docs/Behind\\_the\\_Uniform.pdf](http://www.crin.org/docs/Behind_the_Uniform.pdf)

### **New Publications by Human Rights Watch on Children's Rights**

See: [http://www.hrw.org/en/publications/reports?filter0=669&filter1=\\*\\*ALL\\*\\*](http://www.hrw.org/en/publications/reports?filter0=669&filter1=**ALL**)

### **European Commission: Qualitative Survey on the Rights of the Child**

The result of discussions held in 170 focus groups with children aged 15-17 across all EU member states has been released by the European Commission.

Download: [http://eurochild.org/index.php?id=497#news\\_shortcut1020](http://eurochild.org/index.php?id=497#news_shortcut1020)

### **DVD: Youth Producing Change Collection Vol 1 - 3**

Now Available for free on DVD to teachers worldwide for educational screenings. Armed with digital cameras and their own creativity - young people across the globe are bravely exposing human rights issues faced by themselves and their communities. YOUTH PRODUCING CHANGE is a program of short films created by filmmakers under the age of 19. Youth Producing Change is presented by Adobe Youth Voices in association with the Human Rights Watch Film Festival. To request the Youth Producing Change series, please email us at: [ypc@hrw.org](mailto:ypc@hrw.org) \*International orders require a FedEx Account Number.

**Youth Producing Change Vol. 1** (68 min.) Themes from this series include U.S. immigration policies, child labor, aboriginal identity, and environmental degradation. Countries featured in this collection include Canada, South Africa, The United States, and Senegal.

**Youth Producing Change Vol. 2** (71 min.) Themes from this series include the HIV/AIDS pandemic, water rights, police brutality, and homelessness. Countries featured in this collection include Iran, Mozambique, Armenia, Tibet, and the United States.

**Youth Producing Change Vol. 3** (68 min.) Themes from this series include food security, sexual identity, refugees and migration, and the caste system. Countries featured in this collection include India, Colombia, Afghanistan, Congo, and the Palestinian Territories

## **Funding/Prizes/Research Opportunities**

### **Call For Papers And Invitation To Participate: 3rd Greenville Family Symposium**

*April 11-13, 2011*

The Quest for Health and Community: Democracy, Spirituality and Neighborly Caring  
Student Pre-Conference (April 10, 2011)

Assessment and Study of Personal, Family, and Community Well-Being

**Deadline** for submission of Abstracts for Panels, Papers, and Posters and for applications for student scholarships: **December 15, 2010**

For details about the call for papers and for registration information visit:  
[www.familyposium.com](http://www.familyposium.com)

**Call For Panel Participants: Society for the History of Children and Youth**

*5th Biennial Conference, JUNE 23-25, 2011 - Columbia University - New York City*

This is a call for participants for a panel that will consider the "Agency Of Institutionalized Or Interned/Imprisoned Children During War". We are hoping to put together an interdisciplinary panel and so are especially interested in papers that deal with this topic from fields other than history.

Needed: two panelists, a discussant, and a chair

If you are interested in participating in this panel, please contact Jennifer at [jenterry@berkeley.edu](mailto:jenterry@berkeley.edu) [1] .

For conference information please see: <http://www.tema.liu.se/tema-b/shcy2011?l=sv> [2]

**Call for Papers: Edited Volume - "Adolescent Girls' Sexualities and the Media"**

We are soliciting essays and original research submissions to be included in "Adolescent Girls' Sexualities and the Media." The proposed anthology will focus on how adolescent girls' sexualities are presented in the media and how girls and others (e.g., parents, sexual/romantic partners) interpret and make meaning of these representations. We want to know how girls and others respond to, work with, and even resist prevailing media representations of girls' sexualities. We endorse a broad conception of sexualities that goes beyond sexual risk taking behaviors and consequences (e.g., teen pregnancy, STIs), but also considers a wide array of sexual behaviors and expressions not commonly seen in the sexualities literature (e.g., masturbation). We recognize the importance of socio-cultural, historical, and contemporary contexts as they relate to media representations of girls' sexualities and strongly encourage submissions that take unique contextual factors into account. We also strongly believe that continued effort should be directed at presenting the voices of "other girls" whose voices are often ignored. Submissions that consider the perspectives of racial/ethnic minority girls, lesbian and bisexual girls, and girls from non-U.S. settings are especially welcome. We are open to a variety of theoretical and methodological perspectives and invite submissions from the arts, the humanities, and the social sciences. Media types to be examined can include both traditional media (e.g., movies, magazines, music videos) and new media (e.g., social networking).

Co-Editors are Katie Harper, Yasmina Katsulis, Vera Lopez, and Georganne Scheiner.

We are accepting abstracts of no more than 500 words for consideration in the edited volume.

**Abstract submissions are due January 1, 2011.**

If you have inquiries, please contact Yasmina Katsulis ([yasmina.katsulis@asu.edu](mailto:yasmina.katsulis@asu.edu)) or Vera Lopez ([vera.lopez@asu.edu](mailto:vera.lopez@asu.edu)), Arizona State University

**CALL FOR CHAPTER ABSTRACTS: Resolving Ethical Challenges in Youth Research**

*Editors: Dr Kitty te Riele (UTS, Australia) & Prof Rachel Brooks (Brunel University, UK)*

Research, like everyday life, often generates ethical dilemmas in which it may be impossible to find agreement on what is right or wrong. The ethical conduct of research always requires deliberation on values and principles, exercise of judgment, and an appreciation of context. Youth research presents specific ethical challenges that can't always be appropriately dealt with through standard ethical procedures for researching adults or younger children.

This edited collection will be organised around resolving ethical challenges faced by scholars doing research with youth. It will not be a textbook but rather provide analyses of real ethical challenges that are of particular relevance to youth researchers. We define young people as aged 12-25.

SAGE has shown initial interest in this book idea, and has asked us to submit the full proposal for review in January 2011.

The idea of the book is that it will be comprehensive in terms of:

*research fields:* health, education, leisure, law / juvenile justice, youth work, media studies, family and other relationships etc,

*research approaches:* small/large scale, qualitative/quantitative/mixed etc,

*part of the world:* including several continents.

### Process

We will select the most appropriate, interesting and well written chapters abstracts, and include these in a full book proposal to SAGE in January 2011. We will let you know whether your abstract is included early in January 2011. Once SAGE accepts the full proposal we will ask for your complete chapter within 6 months. Depending on how long SAGE takes to review the proposal, we expect to need your full and final chapter around September 2011.

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### Cities for Children – Call for Best Practice Projects on Media Education

Until **December 1st**, all European cities consisting of more than 100.000 inhabitants are invited to apply for the **European Award of Excellence “City for Children” 2011**. The award addresses projects that focus on the topics of media competence and media education of children and young people. It enables the cities to gain recognition for their best-practice projects and, at the same time, to learn from the work of other communities.

The winners of the European Award of Excellence “City for Children” will be awarded a trophy, displaying children of different age groups who form a circle holding hands, sponsored by Trumpf Company, as well as a certificate issued by the initiators of the award. The award ceremony will take place on the 6th of June 2011 in the context of the 5th Annual Conference of the European Network Cities for Children.

Please find application form and further information here: <http://www.citiesforchildren.com/>

## Upcoming Dates

- **November 26-27, 2010:** Tagung "Menschenrechtsbildung und NS-Geschichte", Hamburg, Germany
- **December 2-4, 2010:** International Conference: Children and Youth in Changing Societies, Thessaloniki, Greece
- **December 2-5, 2010:** International Conference on Education and Educational Psychology, Kyrenia, Cyprus
- **December 3, 2010:** Macht Menschenrechte lebendig! 15 Jahre Menschenrechtsbildung in Deutschland, Europa und den Vereinten Nationen, Berlin, Germany
- **December 9, 2010:** Abschlusskongress zum Nationalen Aktionsplan „Für ein kindergerechtes Deutschland 2005-2010 - Perspektiven für ein kindergerechtes Deutschland“, Berlin, Germany
- **March 9-11, 2011:** Towards an Anthropology of Childhood and Children. Ethnographic Fieldwork Diversity and Construction of a Field. University of Liege, Belgium
- **April 4-6, 2011:** Conference - Quality in Alternative Care, Prague
- **April 7-8, 2011:** International Conference: Early Childhood in Developing World Contexts, Cork, Ireland
- **July 4-7, 2011:** Playing into the Future - surviving and thriving, Cardiff , Wales
- **July 10-15, 2011:** IFCO 2011 Conference "Fostering Hope – Together We Can Make a Difference", British Columbia, Canada
- **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