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Dear Network Members and Network Interested,

You are welcome to send us information you would wish to distribute through our information service. Please use info@enmcr.net for all feedback, questions, comments or information. Thank you!

Sincerely, Rebecca Budde (Editor)



IICCR in Antwerp

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General News Internal

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The Interdisciplinary International course in Children's Rights (IICCR) in Ghent and Antwerp

From 7-19 September, the two Belgian Universities Ghent and Antwerp organized the International, Interdisciplinary Course: *Children's Rights in a Globalized World: From Principles to Practice.* The course attracted 52 participants from 36 countries with a wide range of experiences backgrounds and work experience in the field. The variety of subjects and speakers during the course was very impressive. Participants enjoyed the high quality input during the course yet also mentioned the lack of time to discuss all the information in more detail. By being in contact now through the course, discussions on specific themes can however be continued also now and in future.

Opening of EMCR at Freie Universität Berlin for the year 2008/09

The new group of European Master in Childhood Studies and Children's Rights students for the Academic Year 2008/09 at the FU Berlin was welcomed on September 23. The group comprises 20 students from several countries and disciplines.

Launch of EMCR at University of Novi Sad; State University Moldova (Tempus Project: CREDMOS)

The University of Novi Sad and the State University Moldova in Chisinau, who have developed European Master programmes over the passed year in the frame of the Tempus Project: Child Rights Education Development- CREDMOS with ENMCR Universities, are launching the first edition of the programmes at the moment. There are possibilities for exchange of students via scholarships from both EU countries to Serbia and Moldova as well as vice versa for the second semester. For further information, contact Daphne Gross: d.gross@fu-berlin.de

General News External

International Conference on Children and the EU Date: April 2009; Location: Liverpool, UK

The Centre for the Study of the Child, the Family and the Law at the Liverpool Law School is delighted to announce that it will host a three-day international conference on children and the EU in April 2009. This will be the first event of its kind to bring together international, EU and domestic policy-makers, NGOs, practitioners, academics and young people in a joint endeavour to critically discuss the EU's emerging children's rights agenda.

The conference flyer is attached and further details, including registration information and a draft conference programme, are available at: www.liv.ac.uk/law/cscfl/children/. For further information please contact the organizers at euchild@liverpool.ac.uk.

New NGO Group for the UN CRC website has gone live

The website is expected to provide NGO Group members, national NGOs and other partners with relevant information on the reporting process, the work of the UN CRC Committee, working groups and so on. TAKE A LOOK: www.childrightsnet.org

News information: GLOBAL: NGO Group for the CRC launches new website

The NGO Group for the Convention on the Rights of the Child is a network of 81 international and national NGO's, which work together to facilitate the implementation of the UNCRC. It was originally formed in 1983 when members of the NGO Group were actively involved in the drafting of the Convention. Since the adoption of the CRC, the NGO Group has been supporting the work of national and international NGOs as well as the Committee on the Rights of the Child to monitor and implement the Convention and its Optional Protocols. Visit the website here: http://www.childrightsnet.org/

International Conference: Child Poverty and Disparities: Public Policies for Social Justice Date: 19 to 20 January 2009 Location: Cairo, Egypt

The conference serves as a platform for innovative thinking on social policy and child rights. It will bring together academics, policy makers, practitioners as well as university students to exchange experiences and discuss proposals for inclusive and child-sensitive public social and economic policies which aim to reduce child poverty and are based on scientific evidence.

Call for Papers: The conference organisers welcome proposals for presentations from academics, researchers, policy makers, and practitioners. University students and recent graduates are particularly encouraged to respond to the call for papers. Download the <u>full version of the call for papers</u>
Deadline for abstracts: **16 November 2008**

Submit a one-page abstract on paper, poster presentation or research project of no more than 400 words in English and accompanied by a CV by e-mail to egyptchildpovertyconfer-ence@unicef.org. Please use the Proposal Submission Form.

For more information, contact: UNICEF; H-9, 3 United Nations, Plaza, New York, NY 10017 Tel: + 1 212 824 6127; Fax: + 1 212 326 7731; Email: netmaster@unicef.org; URL: www.unicef.org

Consultation on Youth policy

The European Commission has launched an EU wide public online consultation on the future development of its youth policy. The aim is to answer questions on important challenges and possibilities for young people, amongst other themes in the areas of education, employment and social integration. Individuals as well as organisations who have an interest in the future of young people can participate in the consultation. It will remain open until **November 25, 2008**. The consultation should also serve to assist the EU in drawing conclusions on its youth policies until now.

For further information: http://ec.europa.eu/youth/youth-policies/doc1220_en.htm

Competition on Child Right to be protected (EU)

The Directorate General for Justice, Freedom and Security has launched a competition on the theme: "Children have a right to protection". When should children and young people be protected better? And what does the right to protection mean to you? Are the themes that are to be visualized in posters. The idea is that teams (Age groups 10-14 and 15-18) under the leadership of adults develop ideas for posters.

Comment by editor: Why the leadership of adults has been specifically mentioned stays unclear. It seems the idea of children's rights is still much too much stuck in the idea that adults are responsible for CR and not that children can come by their rights themselves. It will be interesting to see what groups and what ideas will be presented in this competition. We will report.

Deadline: 31 October 2008

Further information http://www.eurojeune.eu/index_de.htm

Seminar "Children and Young People in Care: What do YOUth think"? Date: 6-9 December 2008; Location: European Youth Centre, Strasbourg

SOS Kinderdorf International, a EURONET Member Organisation, would like to invite you to participate in the <u>Seminar "Children and Young People in Care: What do YOUth think?"</u>

The seminar is organized in cooperation with the Council of Europe. For more details click on http://www.sos-childrensvillages.org/Focus-areas/Child-rights/Advocacy-in-action/Pages/Whatdo-YOUth-think.aspx

To apply, please download the <u>application form</u> (please see downloadable document in the right column) and send it by **19 October** 2008 either via email to: <u>brusselsrepresentative@sos-kd.org</u> or by fax: +32/2/537 31 31

First issue of Young Lives e-newsletter

The Young Lives project has launched its e-newsletter, which is a quarterly message featuring the latest research, publications and news from Young Lives. All their publications and further information are available free of charge on their website: www.younglives.org.uk. Examples of news in the first issue: New publications; Policy Brief No. 5: Effects of the global food crises on children; Young Voices: The camera never lies: children's views of health in their communities.. For a PDF version of this e-newsletter and to subscribe please go to: http://www.younglives.org.uk/e-newsletter-sign-up/

First issue of Newsletter Child and Poverty

The Network: "European Cities against Child Poverty" (http://www.againstchildpoverty.com/) has started issuing an electronic information service on its activities. It also includes listings of events concerning child poverty. If you would like to subscribe to this bulletin, please email claire.c@gle.co.uk.

Presentation of the research 'The Children of Europe and the Video Republic' Date: 6 October 2008; Location: London

Have the children of Europe established their own Video Republic - one that rewrites the rules of political participation and media mechanisms? Find out at the event at which the renowned think-tank DEMOS reveals the results of this European Culture Foundation (ECF)-commissioned research into young people's video culture. At the ECF, we are strongly focused on young people in our work, and this research will help those of us in culture, politics and the media understand better the challenges we face in connecting with Europe's new generations. Further information: http://www.eurocult.org/news-events/?article_id=76

Publications

Council of Europe Publications: Raising young refugees' voices in Europe and beyond

Young refugees and asylum seekers represent a group of displaced youth with specific needs and assets. Their situation urgently requires closer examination, and youth policies addressing their needs must be devised, taking into account their difficult past experiences and their often insecure or instable situation in host countries, including emotional, social and economic challenges. The aim of this report is to convey the main points of a training seminar organised in close co-operation with the UNHCR, Representation in Strasbourg, it brought together young forcibly displaced persons and other young people working in their favour. The organisers and participants of the seminar were driven by the strong conviction that all young people need to participate in building Europe, that social cohesion implies the inclusion of marginalised, minority youth and that nobody can talk about young refugees needs and assets better than young refugees themselves. This publication presents the most important ideas, reflections and recommendations formulated by the participants, it is a collection of testimonies and ideas from young people who have themselves experienced various situations, difficulties and successes as young refugees in Europe.

To place an order directly:

http://book.coe.int/sysmodules/RBS_page/admin/redirect.php?id=36&lang=EN&produit_aliasid=2343

Eggs in a Pan - Youth work: Speeches, Writings and Reflections by Peter Lauritzen

'Eggs in a pan' is an exceptional journey through several decades of social and political development in Europe, as seen through the eyes of Peter Lauritzen, a sensitive communicator and well-informed analyst. In this collection of his written production, he reflects on a wide range of themes relevant to youth policy, youth work and youth research. This collection of Peter Lauritzen's work brings together writings, interviews and speeches from all stages of his professional career as an international civil servant at the Council of Europe, as well as from his activity in the youth and adult education fields from before he joined the institution in 1972. 'Eggs in a pan' is intended both as a tribute to the professional and as a lasting document of over thirty-five years of development and growth in the youth sector of the Council of Europe, all of which Peter Lauritzen accompanied, and for which he was so instrumental. To place an order directly

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Enabling Education newsletter - special edition on language

In this year's publication there is a special 16-page section focusing on the issue of language and how it helps or hinders the educational inclusion of millions of children. Several articles focus on inclusion in post-primary education. Countries featured this year include Afghanistan, Bangladesh, China, Namibia, Russia, Rwanda, Senegal, Tanzania, Thailand, Uganda and Vietnam On page 25 there is some guidance for anyone interested in writing an article for the next newsletter. If you know anyone who would like to submit an article, they should send an outline of ideas or a first draft by February 2009. Pages 29-31 provide information about inclusive education networks for Asia, Eastern Africa, Zambia and Portuguese-speaking countries. If you live or work in these areas, get in touch with your local network, write an article, share your experiences or join in an email debate. For more information, contact: Enabling Education Network; School of Education, University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9PL; Tel: + 44 161 275 3711; Fax: + 44 161 275 3548; Email: info@eenet.org.uk; Website: www.eenet.org.uk

TOOLKIT: Child rights situation analysis

A thorough situation analysis or assessment should form a basis for planning of the programs/projects and strategies. It involves collecting relevant information to enable realistic assessment of what needs to be done in order to improve the lives of children. It is the essential first step towards identification of key issues, establishing priorities and making appropriate choices whether in an emergency or in more stable situations. This document provides:

Tools on Sources of Information; Tools for Analysis of Child Rights Violations and Gaps in Provision; Government Institutions and International Frameworks Analysis; Causality Analysis; Tools for Power and Gender Analysis; Tool for Identification and Selection of Duty Bearers; Tools for guiding writing of the CRSA.

For more information, contact: Save the Children Sweden - South East Asia Pacific Regional Office; 14th fl, Maneeya Centre, South Tower, 518/5 Ploenchit Road, Patumwan, Bangkok 10330, Thailand; Tel: +66 (0) 2 684 1046/7; Fax: +66 (0) 2 685 1048; Email: pariphanu@seap.savethechildren.se; URL: http://www.scswedenseap.org

Green Paper: "Migration and Mobility"

How can education chances for migrants be improved? Until the end of the year, different stake-holders are asked their opinion by the EU. The basis for the consultation is the green paper on "Migration and Mobility: Chances and Challenges for EU Education Systems". In March the member states had demanded: "that the number of young people with insufficient reading and writing skills as well as the number of school drop outs are to be reduced drastically, and that the level of qualification

for learners in marginalized situations is to be improved. One aim of the consultation is an Europe wide exchange of experiences on how the performance of children migrants can be improved. Further information: http://eur-

lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=COM:2008:0423:FIN:DE:PDF

Eradicating violence against children

In spite of a high level of social awareness in Europe, millions of its children are still subjected to violence. Children's rights are violated on a daily basis in all European countries. While some progress has been made, it is far too slow and timid. Elaborately organised networks in human trafficking, online child pornography and sexual violence behind what should be the safe doors of the home still prevent Europe from fully guaranteeing children's rights. The CoE promotes and secures children's rights through developing standards and policies, monitoring countries' compliance with norms, and launching awareness-raising actions. It also assists countries to develop comprehensive strategies addressing all forms of violence against children. This book references the CoE's work in this field and provides insights into the processes that have led to its many conventions, recommendations, decisions, programmes, reports and publications. To order a copy, visit: http://book.coe.int/EN/

DAY OF GENERAL DISCUSSION 2008: Report (extracts from CRIN newsletter)

On September 19, the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child held its annual General Day of Discussion 2008; the subject being "the right to education in emergencies".

After an introduction round to the Day, the participants split into two working groups: one on Continuation and/or Reconstruction of the Educational System (Skip to: Report from working group one) | and the other on Content and Quality of Education Provided for Children in Emergency Situations: Report from working group two

The participants reunited for Concluding remarks:

Stating that States Parties should be guided overall and that Education in emergencies is a right. The position of the Committee represents the continuation of a process begun at the issue of General Comment nr. 1 on the aims of education, where there was attention to quality education in emergency situations, and nr. 6 on the treatment of unaccompanied children

- 1. Education is a human right and children do not forfeit this right to quality when an emergency strikes
- 2. Education must form an integral part of every humanitarian response
- 3. Education must be provided from the outset
- 4. Minimum standards must be respected

Key issues from the two groups were: Predict - Prepare - Prevent - Participation.

For more information, contact: Child Rights Information Network; 1 St John's Lane, London EC1M 4AR; Tel: + 44 20 7012 6866 or 67; Fax: + 44 020 7012 6899; Email: info@crin.org; Website: www.crin.org

News from CRIN

COUNCIL OF EUROPE: Report on high level event on child rights

"Building a Europe for and with Children - Towards a Strategy for 2009-2011",

In Mid September the Council of Europe held a high level meeting to develop a children's rights strategy for the period 2009-2011, focused on violence against children, child-friendly justice and child participation. A full report and reports on the different working groups Corporal punishment Member States and violence against children. The best interests of the child as well as general information on the CoE work on children's rights can be found on **CRIN's page**

UNITED KINGDOM: Govt removes crucial reservations to CRC

The UK government has indicated it will remove reservations to the <u>Convention on the Rights of the Child</u>. The UK has for the past 17 years retained an opt-out allowing child migrants and asylum seek-

ers to be locked up without judicial scrutiny. The Convention obliges nations to put the best interests of a child first. This week's announcement coincides with a hearing at the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child in Geneva where British officials will be questioned on the UK's respect for children's rights. The opt-out has meant the "best interest" rule does not apply to immigrant children in the UK and makes it easier for officials to lock them up, sometimes for weeks or months, pending planned deportation. Foreign Secretary David Miliband will tell UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon that the UK will sign the Convention, after ministers became convinced it would not become a loophole which frustrates effective immigration control. Human rights groups have heaped scorn on the UK opt-out for years

AUSTRIA: Children allowed to vote [news], was a news title recently in CRIN nr. 1020.

Austria made history in the <u>European Union</u> by becoming the first member of the 27-nation bloc to give 16-year-olds a voice in national elections...

...Following the collapse in July of the governing coalition between the center-left Social Democrats and the center-right People's Party, 10 parties said they want to govern the Alpine republic. With a tight race at the top, the two main parties were flirting with first-time voters and - to some extent - making an effort to cater to a younger crowd.....Lowering the voting age came about as a political compromise between the Social Democrats and the People's Party, which wanted to give citizens living in the country the option to vote by absentee ballot. In the end, both became law. Peter Filzmaier, one of Austria's most respected political commentators, said the Greens would likely benefit most from the young, first-time voters. Walter Holub, director of a high school in Vienna, said interest in politics varies among the teenagers he oversees. "A large majority still appears to be rather indifferent," Holub said.

Comment by editor (CRnews): The landslide election of right wing parties in the election in Austria past weekend may have rather profited more from this new law. Looking at the pictures of neighbourhoods in Vienna where the right wing parties achieved the highest votes, it can be seen immediately that these are areas with high levels of migrants who do not have a vote on who governs where they live. Interesting enough, there is not much mentioning of how the young people voted. In search of information on the age structure of voters for the two right wing neoliberal parties I couldn't find information but stumbled over two websites of school pupils westeuropa.de who declare themselves to be democratic right- anti EU; in particular the accession of Turkey and the Eastern Block; etc. Normally I do not stumble upon this kind of websites while searching. It however makes me think, whether the new young voters in Austria did contribute much to the results for the right wing. No good news for the increasingly multinationally inhabited EU member states.

EL SALVADOR: Demand legal obligatioon to serach for disappeared children during the war

A humanitarian organisation made a proposition to the Salvadorian Congress to establish a law to make the search for disappeared children during the civil war /armed conflict period (1980-1992) a state responsibility.

The proposed "autonomous" commission would dedicate its work towards the search/finding of the children who disappeared by way of using information structures of certain institutions. The organisations believes that the armed forces have various very important documents under their auspices, with the law the organisations wants to enforce their release.

The leaders complain that the government doesn't take much note of the fate of these children in its policies and actions. Since the end of the war in 1994, 787 petitions to look for disappeared children have reached the organisation, of these 323 were able to be localized. In total it is estimated that 7.000 people disappeared during the armed conflict in El Salvador.

e-discussion on Child Rights

Location: Online; Dates: From 10/11/2008 to 24/11/2008

Equalinrights will host another e-discussion on Child Rights, facilitated by Wout Visser of War Child,

The Netherlands, as a follow-up to the previous e-discussion on the same topic last May.

The e-discussion will run over a 14-day period, from 10-24 November. This process has a distinct advantage over fixed time sessions as participants are given ample opportunities to provide their input. Equalinrights invites you to sign up and provide ideas and suggestions for issues to be discussed during this upcoming session. Please contact Equalinrights through Mariam Munang (intern@equalinrights.org)

Special edition CRIN on MDG's

In CRIN's special edition on MDG's a Webportal is introduced: The HuriLink WebPortal on Human Rights and the Millenium Development goals. It is an on-line tool which presents the experiences and challenges that practitioners face when striving to link human rights and the Millennium Development Goals in their work.

Many commentators have also argued that the MDGs serve to enhance and focus advocacy initiatives. Some publications with critical reflections on the MDG's.

(1) Saith S., (2006) 'From Universal Values to Millennium Development Goals: Lost in Translation', Development and Change 37 (6): 1167-1199:

http://www.impactalliance.org/file_download.php?location=S_U&filename=11865826231Saith06_M_DGs.pdf

- (2) Clemens M., Kenny C., Moss T. (2007) 'The trouble with the MDGs: Confronting expectations of aid and development success', World Development, 35(5): 735-751.
- (3) Black, R. and White, H. (2004) Targeting Development: Critical Perspectives on the Millennium Development Goals. London: Routledge.

Job Postings

Save the Children Sweden: Regional representative for Latin America and the Caribbean (Duty station Lima, Peru)

The assignment period is two years, starting March 1, 2009. For information on the position and selection criteria, visit:: www.savethechildren.se/About-Us/Job-vacancies/ and then click on See our vacancies. Deadline: 30 September 2008

To apply, visit: www.savethechildren.se/About-Us/Job-vacancies/or send your application, clearly marked 'Regional Representative LA', to the following address: Save the Children Sweden, Maria Glans, Human Resources Unit, 107 88 Stockholm, Sweden.

Save the Children Sweden - Loyola University (US)

Loyola University Chicago (LUC) invites applications/ nominations for the position of Director of the Center for the Human Rights of Children (http://www.luc.edu/chrc/). Responsibilities include building and implementing programmes and administering the Centre's budget, facilities and staff. Dr. James Garbarino, the founding director, will continue as a Faculty Fellow.

Qualifications include: expertise in the human rights of children and academic credentials at the Master's or Doctoral level. Candidates should submit their curriculum vitae, letter of interest and three references at www.careers.luc.edu. All communications are confidential. The position will remain open until filled. Loyola University Chicago is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer with a strong commitment to diversity.

Save the Children Sweden - Regional Thematic Manager on Child Rights and Civil Society (Kathmandu, Nepal)

The assignment period: one year, with a possible extension, starting as soon as possible For information on the post, visit: www.savethechildren.se/About-Us/ and then click on: See our Vacancies. For further information, contact the Regional Programme Manager Turid Heiberg +977 9851061262, turid@sca.savethechildren.se

Apply on the following website at the latest **17 October**

www.savethechildren.se/About-Us/ or send you application, clearly marked: Regional Manager Child Rights to the following address: Save the Children Sweden, Human Resources Unit, Jon Skurdal, 107 88 Stockholm, Sweden.

Funding/Prizes/Research Opportunities

AWARDS: STARS Foundation - Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children

Applications are now open for the 2009 Impact Awards. Organisations working with children in Africa or South Asia are invited to apply. The Awards recognise organisations working in children's health, education and protection. Each Award carries US\$100,000 of unrestricted funding as well as consultancy support. For information on previous Award recipients and this year's finalists, visit the website below. All information regarding the application process and the eligibility criteria is available at www.starsfoundation.org.uk

The closing date for applications is 28 November 2008.

Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children

Each year, the Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children holds a luncheon to honor individual refugee women and young people who are working on behalf of other refugees. They are now seeking candidates to be honored at the 7 May 2009 Voices of Courage Awards luncheon. Candidates must be able to travel to New York for a week in May (the luncheon is Thursday, May 7, 2009) to accept their award (all travel and housing expenses will be paid). The ability to speak English is preferred. For more information, and to nominate a candidate for a Voices of Courage award, send 1) a letter of nomination; 2) the curriculum vitae, résumé or biography of the nominee; and 3) the names and email/phone/fax of three references by November 1, 2008 to: Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children, Attn: Voices of Courage Nominees, 122 East 42nd Street, New York, NY 10168-1289, USA, or email your nomination to Grace Cheung at gracec@womenscommission.org or fax to +1.212.551.3180. Only applications in English will be considered. Deadline for nominations: 1 November 2008

INCO- working programme published

In the Frame of the Framework Research programme 7, the EU commission has published on September 3 the working programme for international cooperation 2009. The aim is to further develop activities from the programme in 2007/08:

Support Europe's competitiveness through strategic partnerships with third countries Take up specific problems of third countries in the sense of learning from each other Use of the R&D cooperation to strengthen the external relation and external policies of the EU A total budget of 18 mio€ is available for measures in the year 2009.

All application documents and information can be found on:

http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm#Socio-economic%20sciences%20and%20Humanities

Promoting cooperation between China and Europe in the field of Social Sciences

Strengthening scientific cooperation between China and Europe is a priority issue for most EU Members Stares and the EU. Therefore a multinational Consortium CO-REACH ("Coordination of Research between Europe and China" http://www.co-reach.org) was founded to intensify cooperation between the regions. More intensive cooperation is specifically sought for in the field of social sciences, in order to reach a better understanding of the societies, their political agendas and economic development. The programme is implemented by a total of 12 partners in seven countries, with specific national calls for applications. A guide to the countries and calls can be found on the above website.

RY National Child Rights Research Fellowships 2009- for Indians

Child Rights and You invites applications for research fellowships exploring multiple dimensions of child rights within the broad framework of justice for children. Potential fellows are welcome to expand and interpret the themes (below), based on their life experiences and vision. CRY encourage original ideas, non conventional approaches and seek creative methodologies. Possible Focus Areas include:

- Child rights in the context of disappearance and reinvention of traditions, customs, norms and mores; and as also the impact of emergence of new kinds of rural technologies and occupations.
- Evidences of the assertion or rejection of the role of children in various decision making arenas in various spaces such as households, advertisements, political party campaigns to governing institutions.
- Locating identity questions (language, discourse, representation) within the school-community relationship.
- Is best interest principle, a value, a constitutional right, an interpretative advocacy instrument or a rule of law.

Eligibility: Potential fellows will be Indians residing in India, above the age of 18 years. There is no upper age limit. Preference will be given to applicants who have studied in government schools, where no fees are charged (Studies conducted and CRY's experiential learning of working with over 2000 deprived communities in villages and urban slums demonstrates that students attending government schools are primarily Dalits, tribals, girls and children from female headed and/or landless households.) Proposals may be submitted in any Indian language.

For more information, and to send a proposal, email: research@crymail.org. All Regional Language Proposals may also be sent by post to CRY Documentation Centre, CRY-Child Rights and You, 189 A, Anand Estate, Sane Guruji Marg, Mumbai 400011.

Deadline: **28 October 2008**. Proposals will be reviewed as they are received. The names of researchers who are awarded the Fellowship 2009 will be announced on the CRY website latest by April 2009.

Research on Poverty Alleviation: Call for concept notes for research projects

Concept notes for research projects can be submitted at any time, however submissions received before the following dates will coincide with our review cycle:

15 October 2008 will be reviewed by the end of November 2008

1 February 2009 will be reviewed by the end of March 2009

Juvenes Translatores (translating competition for school pupils across the EU)

...is a contest designed to give 17-year-olds in schools throughout Europe a chance to experience at first hand what it is like to be a translator. As many as 2 760 pupils, from up to 345 schools, will be given this opportunity in a contest called "Juvenes Translatores" (young translators), organised by the European Commission's Directorate-General for Translation (DGT). The contest is one of the events to mark the 50th anniversary of the European Union this year. Students nominated by their schools will be challenged to translate a short text and the event will take place on the same day - 14 November 2007 - in all 27 Member States of the EU. Translation contest: http://ec.europa.eu/translatores. Schools can submit applications until **October 20**

Call for Proposals: ESF Research Networking Programmes (RNP's) (see CRnews 8_08) Deadline coming up: 23 October 2008

The funding scheme aims at the networking and coor5dination of national research activities, to develop interdisciplinary fora to exchange knowledge and develop new techniques. Training of young

researchers is another component of the programmes. Projects' durations vary between 4-5 years. The call is open to all disciplines. Further information: http://www.esf.org/activities/calls/single-view/article/esf-research-networkingprogrammes-

2008-call-for-proposals-461.html, and directly at:

http://www.esf.org/activities/research-networking-programmes/rnp-call-for-proposals.html

Upcoming Dates

- 6 October: Presentation of the research 'The Children of Europe and the Video Republic'
- 9 October: Next steering group meeting for the EU Strategy on the Rights of the Child
- 9-12 October: Active citizenship: Democratic practices in education Budapest, Hungary
- 12-19 October: COMPASITO Training Course, Budapest (CoE)
- 15 October: Deadline submission proposals: Research on Poverty Alleviation
- **20 October:** Deadline submission school applications: Juvenes Translatores
- **23 October:** Deadline submission ESF Research Networking Programmes (RNP)
- **23- 25 October:** International Symposium Childhood and Society- Identity processes in phases of societal change Bregenz, Austria
- **28 October:** Deadline submission proposals: RY National Child Rights Research Fellowships 2009-for Indians
- 31 October: Deadline submission poster ideas competition Child right to protection (Youth, EU)
- 3-5 November: Child in the City 2008: Rotterdam, The Netherlands
- **5-7 November:** Eurochild annual conference (Budapest)
- 16 November 2008: Deadline submission abstracts conference on Child Poverty Egypt
- 10-24 November: e-discussion on Child Rights
- **Open until 25 November:** Consultation on Youth policy
- 14 November: Germany: Child friendly (Deutschland: kindergerecht?), Berlin
- 17-18 November: final colloquium of the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue
- 19 November: World Day for the Prevention of Child Abuse
- 19 November: Deadline submission Applications ERC starting grants for social sciences
- **20 November:** Demonstration: Equal Rights for all. Potsdam, Germany
- **20-22 November :** Conference: Youth Empowerment and HIV/Aids prevention/control-the way forward in London and 27-29 November 2008 in New York City
- **starting: 26 November :** Lecture Series: Child Rights and School (German) every other Wednesdays from 6-8pm, 2008; Location: Grundschulwerkstatt of the Humboldt-University Berlin, (Geschwister-Scholl-Strasse)
- **6-9 December:** Seminar: Children and Young People in Care: What do YOUth think?
- 19-20 January 2009: Child Poverty and Disparities: Public Policies for Social Justice, Cairo
- 26- 30 January 2009: San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment