



CONFERENCE

February 11th 2021 : 9.45 - 17.00 CET

Registration link: <https://bit.ly/2Yai4fj>

Legal aid for children in criminal proceedings: child friendly legal aid at focus

AGENDA

9.45 – 10.00 Participant registration

10.00 – 10.10 Welcoming remarks

10.10 – 10.25 Word by **Benoit Van Keirsbilck**, Defence for Children International Belgium (DCI-Belgium), incoming member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child

10.25 – 10.35 Introduction of the LA Child project by **Agne Limante**, Law Institute of the Lithuanian Center for Social Sciences

10.35 – 10.55 **Barbel Heinkelmann**, European Commission: “The role of the lawyer when defending a child – the perspectives of Directive (EU) 2016/800 on procedural safeguards for children who are suspects or accused persons in criminal proceedings and Directive (EU) 2016/1919 on legal aid”

10.55 – 11.15 **Inês Carvalho Sá**, European Criminal Bar Association (ECBA): “The challenges faced by the lawyer when defending a child”

11.15 – 11.35 **Anna Giudice**, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC): “Ensuring quality legal aid for children in contact with the criminal justice system: international standards and case studies from West and North Africa”

11.35 – 11.50 **Elisabeth Alofs**, **Sofie De Bus**, Free University of Brussels: “The role of the lawyer in Belgian youth court proceedings: legal and societal challenges”

11.50 – 12.10 Questions and answers session

12.10 – 13.10 Lunch break

13.10 – 13.45 **Ton Liefwaard**, Education of Leiden Law School: “Child-friendly justice in Europe: how can we make sure that all children benefit?”

13.45 – 14.00 **Vicky Kemp**, Criminal Justice Research Centre, School of Law, University of Nottingham: “Legal aid and young suspects’ legal rights in England and Wales”

14.00 – 14.15 Questions and answers session

14.15 – 14.25 Coffee break

14.25 – 14.40 **Ruta Vaiciuniene, Simonas Nikartas**, Law Institute of the Lithuanian Center for Social Sciences: “Legal aid for children in Lithuania” (Presentation of LA CHILD research results)

14.40 – 14.55 **Eva Gangneux**, Defence for Children International Belgium (DCI-Belgium): “Legal aid for children in Belgium” (Presentation of LA CHILD research results)

14.55– 15.10 **Klodian Gega**, Center of Integrated Legal Services and Practices (CILSP): “Legal aid for children in Albania” (Presentation of LA CHILD research results)

15.10 – 15.25 Questions and answers session

15.25 – 15.35 Coffee break

15.35 – 15.50 **Khaled Quzmar, Ayed Abu Qteish**, Defense for Children International Palestine (DCI Palestine): “Legal aid for children: Palestinian experience”

15.50 – 16.05 **Arjana Fullani**, Center for Integrated Legal Services and Practices, former member of the Albanian Supreme Court: “Challenges of the legal aid for children in conflict with the law. Albanian case”

16.05 – 16.20 **Raminta Gostautaite**, Prosecutor General’s Office of the Republic of Lithuania: “Young suspects in Lithuanian criminal proceedings”

16.20 – 16.35 **Marcos De Barros**, Terre des hommes Hungary (Tdh Hungary): “Presentation of the project CLEAR-Rights: Enhancing legal assistance and access to justice for children in conflict with the law in Europe”

16.35 – 17.00 Questions and answers session

Closing remarks

***Certificates of participation in this one-day event will be delivered on request**

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