



## 6° Regional Meeting of NGOs Children's Rights Coalitions in Europe



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**Florence, Italy**

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### 6<sup>th</sup> Regional Meeting of NGOs Children's Rights Coalitions in Europe Florence, Italy 20 – 22 October 2010

Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2010

**09:00 - 09:30 Registration**

#### Opening Plenary Session

**09:45 - 10:45 Opening Statement**

- *Arianna Saulini*, Coordinator of the Italian NGO Group for the CRC

Welcome

- *Alessandra Maggi*, President of Istituto degli Innocenti
- *Maria Teresa Tagliaventi*, Italian National Centre for Childhood
- *Gordon Alexander\**, Interim Director, UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre
- *Luigi Citarella\**, member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child

Overview of the Meeting

- *Nigel Cantwell*, moderator of the meeting

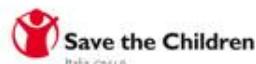
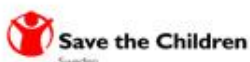
**11:00 - 11:30 Coffee break**

**11:30 - 13:00 Panel discussion: key child rights challenges in Europe today**

- *Maria Herczog*, Member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child
- *Mr. Kishore SINGH\**, Special Rapporteur on the right to education Human Rights Council United Nations
- *Marta Santos Pais*, UN SG Special Representative on Violence Against Children

**13:00 - 14:30 Lunch**

*\*To be confirmed*



## **14:30 - 18:00 Network Governance**

- Plenary Introduction

### **Working Group**

- Working Group 1 – Structure & Governance  
Structure and membership of NGO Children's rights coalition
- Working Group 2 - Priority issues & plan for action of a Children's rights coalition  
Reporting to the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child, what else?
- Working Group 3 – Accessing resources to support Children's Rights Coalitions  
Different experiences at national level: foundation, EU funds –budget lines available

### **Plenary - Reporting back from Working Groups**

**Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> October 2010**

## **09:30 - 13:00 Monitoring the CRC from an NGO perspective**

- Plenary Introduction

### **Working Group**

- Working Group 1 – About the CRC Reporting Process  
How to sustain the monitoring process beyond the Concluding Observations. Evaluation instruments to check if and how recommendation of the CRC Committee and the ones of the Children's Rights Coalitions are taken into account at national level.
- Working Group 2 - Opportunity of using the CRC monitoring outcome with other human rights monitoring mechanisms  
Sharing experiences and opportunities connected with other human rights monitoring mechanisms (eg. CERD, UPR, CAT)
- Working Group 3 – Child Participation in the CRC Reporting Process  
Child led monitoring

### **Plenary - Reporting back from Working Groups**

## **13:00 – 14:00 Lunch**

## **14:30 – 18:00 Further Children Rights networking**

- Plenary Introduction

### **Working Group**

- Working Group 1 – Co-operation with Ombudsman  
Role of the Ombudsman in monitoring the CRC, cooperation model with NGO coalitions, good practice.
- Working Group 2 - Networking on thematic issues at European level  
How to strengthen collaboration across borders/among European networks on specific issues (eg. Separated Children in Europe Programme (SCEP)).
- Working Group 3 - National advocacy targeting changes at the EU level  
How best to link national advocacy to what's going on at EU level.

### **Plenary - Reporting back from Working Groups**

## Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2010

### **09:30 - 11:30 Concluding plenary session: Implementing Children Rights at European Level**

- *Olivia Lind, Save the Children Brussels Head of Office, EU strategy and Children's Rights. Role and Competence – How does it affect our work at national level?*
- *Regína Jensdóttir, Programme manager and head of co-ordination unit, The Council of Europe and Children's rights*
- *Erika Bernacchi – ChildOnEurope, The European Network of National Observatories on Childhood, improve collaboration with NGO network at national level*

### **11:30 - 12:00 Coffee break**

### **12:00 – 13:00 Closing session**

- *Nigel Cantwell, Representative of Gruppo CRC, Incoming host*