**Child-friendly Programme**

**CRC30 – What future for children and their rights? State of play and perspectives**

* **What?**
* A celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Convention on the rights of the child (CRC); an important international agreement by countries who have promised to protect children’s rights.
* The conference will review 30th anniversary activities done during 2019 and will discuss the last 30 years of the CRC and new commitments for children’s enjoyment of their rights in the future. The conference will be one of the major global events celebrating the 30th anniversary of the CRC all around the world!
* **When and where?**
* On the 18, 19 and 20 November 2019 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland. Online programme and registreation here: <https://www.unige.ch/cide/fr/conference-30-ans/home/>
* **How?**
* There will be three days of active discussions, presentations, exhibitions on children’s rights, and a chance for participants to meet and discuss topics they have chosen themselves to give new ideas and energy to the rights of the child globally.
* **Who?**
* Main organisers: The ***Association 30 Ans de Droits de l’enfant*,** an association in Geneva. ***Child Rights Connect*** is supporting child participation for the conference.
	+ Participants: Children, children’s rights organizations and professionals, United Nations staff, government representatives and members of embassies in Geneva, members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, students and professors and other civil society organisations.
* **Main goals:**
* Children’s rights actors, including children, will have the chance to attract the world’s attention to the CRC, children’s views and their rights.
* Bring together children and adults who are interested in / defending children’s rights to discuss today’s child rights issues, exchange good practices and challenges they face; to share their experiences and to make commitments for the future of children’s rights, in-person and online.
* For children to be at the heart of the discussions during the 3 days, so that their voices can be heard and taken into account by all!

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| **Day 1- 18 November 2019** |
| Time  | Activity |
| ***9.00-9.30*** | ***Opening*** Ambassador of Switzerland in Geneva  |
| ***9.30- 10.15*** | ***Presentation on the rights of children today*** Led by Children  |
| ***10.15- 10.30*** | ***Break***  |
| ***10.30-12.30*** | ***Working Group 1*** Topic: Child ProtectionTerre, Globe, Protection, Planet | ***Working Group 2***Topic: Children and JusticeLa Justice, Ãchelles, Orange, Libra, Comparaison | Symboles, Religions, La Foi***Follow-up discussions on certain themes:*** Faust, Ãmancipation, Le FÃ©minisme * Children’s rights and women’s rights
* Children’s rights and religious beliefs

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| ***12.30-14.00*** | ***Lunch break and other events***  |
| ***14.00-15.15*** | ***Roundtable on child participation*** |
| ***15.15-15.30*** | ***Break***  |
| ***15.30 – 17.30*** | ***Working Group 3*** Earth globe: Africa and EuropeTopic: Migration and children’s rights | ***Working Group 4*** Topic: Radicalization of children  | ***Discussion on 3 topical issues:*** Unicef, Organisme De Bienfaisance* Alternative Care Guidelines
* Global Study on Children deprived of liberty
* International communications procedure for children

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| ***17.30-17.45*** | ***Closing***  |
| ***17.45*** | ***Reception and presentation of exhibitions***  |

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| **Day 2- 19 November** |
| Time  | Activity  |
| ***9.00-9.45*** | ***Presentation on the future of children’s rights*** Led by children  |
| ***9.45-11.00*** | ***Roundtable on children human rights defenders***  |
| ***11.00-13.00*** | ***Working Group 5*** Topic: The past, present and Future of children’s environmental rights | ***Working Group 6*** Chimiste, Tube, Femme, Travail, Homme, MTopic: Children’s Rights in the Age of Biotechnology | ***Research done today on the rights of the child*** Magnifying glassBy the University of Geneva  |
| ***13.00-14.30*** | ***Break and other events***  |
| ***14.30-17.00*** | ***Hackathon***CheersGroup work to identify action plans and solutions to a specific issue presented by other participants (adults and children). | ***Open Forum*** Different topics will be open for a 1-hour discussion each by participants (adults and children). | ***Dialogues between participants in a ‘World Café’***Participants will hear about different initiatives, projects and/or activities, presented by other participants (adults and children). |
| ***17.00-17.30*** | ***Closing***  |
| ***17.30*** | ***Reception and launch of the book “30 Years of Children’s Rights”*** |
| ***18:00-19:30*** | ***Official Launch of the Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty*** |

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| **Day 3 - 20 November 2019** |
| **Time**  | Activity |
| ***9.00-12.00*** | ***Next steps for the future: commitments and messages from civil society on children’s rights*** Interested child and adult participants will discuss and decide on key messages, recommendations and commitments (based on the last 2 days) that they will share during the celebrations during the afternoon.   |
| ***12.00-13.00*** | ***Break*** |
| ***13.00-13.30*** | ***BalloonsOpening of the official anniversary celebration ceremony***  |
| ***13.30-14.00*** | ***30 Years of Children’s rights: the present and the vision for the future*** Including civil society representatives (children and adults)   |
| ***14.00-14.45*** | ***What future for children’s rights? Roundtable with high-level persons*** Including 2 children human rights defenders, a representative from Switzerland, a representative of the United Nations and a member of the Committee on the Rights of the Child |
| ***14.45-15:15*** | ***Presentation of a special guest***  |
| ***15.30-15:45*** | ***Looking forward: pledges and calls for action*** Pledges and calls for action by children, civil society representatives, State representatives, UN agencies and the Committee on the Rights of the Child. |
| ***15:45:16:15*** | ***Closing*** |