

## CHILD-FRIENDLY EUROPE

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Czech Republic*

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Congress Centre Prague  
Prague, Czech Republic  
6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2009



**PROGRAMME OF THE CONFERENCE****6<sup>th</sup> April 2009****8.00 – 9.45**                    **Foyer Entrance 10**  
**Registration of participants****9.00 – 9.50**                    **Meeting Hall II**  
**MEETING OF MINISTERS**

- 1. „The Best Interest of Children“ in European child rights strategies**
- 2. The Council of Europe program BUILDING A EUROPE FOR AND WITH CHILDREN**
- 3. Discussion on the conclusion proposals of the conference in the area of Children’s Rights**

Ing. Jan Litomiský, *Government Commissioner for human rights, Czech Republic*

Dr. Jur. Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, *Deputy Secretary General, Council of Europe*

Jadranka Kosor, Dipl. Jur., *Vice-Prime Minister and Minister of the Family, Veteran’s Affairs and Intergenerational Solidarity, Croatia*

Klaudijus Stanionis, *Vice-Minister of Social Security and Labour, Lithuania*

Karin Johansson Bc., *State Secretary to the Minister for Health and Social Affairs, Sweden*

Dr. Idalia Moniz, *Secretary of State for Disability and Assistant to the Minister of Social Security and Labour, Portugal*

Anne-Sophie Grouchka-Souhaité, *Counsellor to the State Secretary for the Family, Ministry for Labour, Labour Relations, the Family, Solidarity and Urban Affairs, France*

Dr. Amparo Marzal Martínez, *General Director for Family and Childhood, Ministry of Education, Social Policy and Sports, Spain*

Dr. Cezary Dziurkowski, *Judge, Department for International Cooperation and European Law, Ministry of Justice, Poland*

Ljubica Šalinger, *Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family, Slovenia*

Anniki Tikerpuu, *Ministry of Social Affairs, Estonia*

Jan van den Burg, *Ministry for Youth and Families, The Netherlands*

PhDr. Romana Synková, *Director of the Cabinet of the Minister for human rights and minorities, Czech Republic*

MUDr. Eva Vaničková, *Adviser to the Minister for human rights and national minorities in child rights and Chairman of the Child Rights Committee of the Government Council for Human Rights, Czech Republic*

**10.00 – 11.00**                    **South Hall**  
**GENERAL OPENING**

Ing. Jan Litomiský, *Government Commissioner for human rights, Czech Republic*

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Violin concert, Prague Music School Students

**11.00 – 11.30**                    **Ante-room of South Hall**  
Coffee break**11.30 – 13.00**                    **South Hall**  
**MEDIA AND CHILDREN****Children and their rights**

Prof. Jan Sokol, PhD., CSc., *Vice-Dean, Faculty of Humanity Studies, Charles University, Prague*

**Psychosocial Evolution of Children, the Media and Internet**

Prof. PhDr. Petr Macek, CSc., *Vice-Dean*, Assoc. Prof. PhDr. David Šmahel, Ph.D., *Institute for Research of Children, Youth and Family, Faculty of Social Studies, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic*

**Media education and the meaning of their cognition for the life in the new millennium**

Prof. PhDr. Jan Jiráček, PhD., *Vice-Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University, Prague/Centre for Media Studies*

**Cyber-bullying: risks and responsibilities in children's use of new technologies**

Prof. Peter Smith BA PhD CPsychol FBPsS, *Professor for Psychology, Head of School and Family Studies, Goldsmiths College, London, UK*

**Discussion**

**13.00 – 14.00**

**South Hall**

**PANEL DISCUSSION: „MEDIA AND CHILDREN“**

**Can the media education compensate the negative influences of commercialised media and which instruments should be used for this purpose (e.g. emission times, suitable programme composition or advertising)?**

Cecilia von Feilitzen, Ph.D., *The International Clearinghouse on Children, Youth and Media, NORDICOM University, Göteborg, Sweden*

Doc. PhDr. Lenka Šulová, CSc., *Psychology Department, Faculty of Philosophy and Arts, Charles University, Czech Republic*

**Do you think that the state has effective instruments for the protection of children in the media and can simultaneously influence the media image of children ?**

Karin Johansson Bc., *State Secretary to the Minister for Health and Social Affairs, Sweden*

Dr. Cezary Dziurkowski, *Judge, Department for International Cooperation and European Law, Ministry of Justice, Poland*

Dr. Jur. Tone Dolčič, *Deputy Human-Rights Ombudsman for Children's Rights and Social Security, Slovenia*

**How can the society influence the media towards respect the best interest of children and their responsibility for creating a children-friendly society climate when the contact with media is one of the priorities of children's life style?**

Dr. Jur. Rimantė Šalaševičiūtė, *Children's Rights Ombudsman, Lithuania*

Dr. Ágnes Lux, *Office of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Civil Rights, Hungary*

**13.00 – 14.00**

**Meeting room 4.2**

**WORKSHOP: „A WAY FOR PARENTS TO SAFER INTERNET“**

Ing. Pavel Vichtera, *coordinator of the National centre for Safer Internet, Czech Republic*

**14.00 – 15.00**

**Restaurant ZOOM**

Lunch

**15.00 – 16.30**

**South Hall**

**HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND PROTECTION**

**Children human rights: learning by enjoying**

Elda Moreno, *Head of the Children's Rights and Family Policies Division, Council of Europe, Manager of the program Building a Europe for and with Children*

**A culture for children's rights in child protection systems**

Dr. Marta Santos Pais, *Director, Innocenti Research Centre, UNICEF, Florence, Italy*

**Beyond CRC Training—how to make child rights a reality in school**

Karin Fagerholm, *Rädda Barnen/Save the Children Sweden*

**Children's Rights must not become a duty**

Mgr. Anna Čurdová, *Vice-Chairperson of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, Member of Parliament, Czech Republic*

**Education of children, pedagogues and general public in children's rights in Czech Republic**

Prof. MUDr. Miloš Velemínský, CSc., PhDr. Jiřina Novotná\*, Mgr. Jana Stejskalová, Ph.D., *Faculty of Health and Social Studies, University of South Bohemia, České Budějovice, Czech Republic, Pedagogical Faculty, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic\**

**Discussion**

**16.30 – 17.00**            **Ante-room of South Hall**

Coffee break

**17.00 – 18.00**            **South Hall**

**PANEL DISCUSSION: „HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND PROTECTION“**

**Which instruments do the states dispose of in the field of human rights education of the adult society with the aim of supporting the equal access of all groups of children to their rights?**

Jadranka Kosor, *Vice-Prime Minister and Minister of the Family, Veteran's Affairs and Intergenerational Solidarity, Croatia*

Irma Ertman, *Ambassador of Finland to the Council of Europe, Council of Europe Thematic Co-ordinator on Children*

Jan van den Burg, *Ministry for Youth and Families, The Netherlands*

**Does the international co-operation offer common themes in human rights education concentrated on rating of child-protection and their participation? If yes, which are the themes and bases for co-operation ?**

Dr. Idalia Moniz, *Secretary of State for Disability and Assistant to the Minister of Social Security and Labour, Portugal*

Dr. Jur. Kathleen Marshall, *Scotland's Commissioner for Children and Young People, United Kingdom*

Dominique Marlet, *Human and Trade Union Rights Coordinator, Education International, Belgium*

**Can you present concrete positive experiences from the co-operation of the Council of the Baltic States and the Working Group for Cooperation on Children at Risk?**

Agneta Björklund, *Chairperson, Working Group for Cooperation on Children at Risk, Council of the Baltic States*

**How do you judge the development and present vocation of the human rights education and which is, according to your opinion, the significance of human rights education in today's global society for effective child protection and child-friendly climate?**

Fredrik Malmberg, *Children's Ombudsman, Sweden*

Prof. Per Wickenberg, *Director of Sociology of Law Department, Lund University, Sweden*

**What is the view of the EU Fundamental Rights Agency regarding the protection of child rights in the EU today and what actions has it taken and will in the future take in this respect?**

Dr. Ioannis Dimitrakopoulos, *Head of the Equality and Civil Rights Department, European Union Agency for Fundamentals Rights, Vienna*

**17.00 – 18.00**            **Meeting room 4.2**

**WORKSHOP: „OTHER PEOPLE AND VIOLENCE“**

MgA. Matěj Šefrna and his students, *Pedagogic College, Litomyšl*

**18.00 – 19.00**            **Restaurant ZOOM**  
Diner

**19.00 – 20.00**            **South Hall**  
**ROMA DANCING ENSEMBLE CIKNE ČHAVE**  
*Art director: Irena Daňková*

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**7<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

**9.00 – 9.50**    **Meeting Hall II**  
**MEETING OF CHILDREN OMBUDSPERSON:**

- 1. „The Best Interest of Children“ in European child rights strategies**
- 2. Experiences from international cooperation in the field of children’s rights**

Dr. Jitka Seitlová, *Vice-Ombudsman, Czech Republic*

Mgr. Czeslaw Walek, *Vice-Minister for Human Rights and Minorities, Czech Republic*

Fredrik Malmberg, *Children’s Ombudsman, Sweden*

Dr. Jur. Kathleen Marshall, *Scotland’s Commissioner for Children and Young People United Kingdom*

Mgr. Marek Michalak, *Ombudsman for Children, Poland*

Dr. Jur. Rimantė Šalaševičiūtė, *Children’s Rights Ombudsman, Lithuania*

Dr. Carmen Zammit, *Commissioner for Children, Malta*

Dr. Jur. Tone Dolčič, *Deputy Human-Rights Ombudsman for Children’s Rights and Social Security, Slovenia*

Dr. Ágnes Lux, *Office of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Civil Rights, Hungary*

Mgr. Markéta Millerová, *Secretary to the Committee for Children’s Rights by the Government Council for Human Rights, Czech Republic*

**10.00-11.30**            **South Hall**  
**POSITIVE PARENTING – EDUCATION WITHOUT VIOLENCE**

**Implementing a ban on all corporal punishment - in the best interests of children**

Dr. Jur. Peter Newell, *Global Initiative to End All Corporal Punishment of Children*

**The Impact of Abolishing Corporal Punishment in Childrearing - A European Comparison**

Prof. Dr. Kai-D. Bussmann, *Professor for Criminal Law, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany*

**Attitudes of Parents towards Child Education**

MUDr. Eva Vaníčková, *Adviser to the Minister for human rights and national minorities in child rights and Chairman of the Child Rights Committee of the Government Council for Human Rights, Czech Republic*

**Love and holding**

PhDr. Jiřina Prekopová, *Society for propagation of holding as life style and therapy, Lindau, Germany*

**11.30 – 12.00**            **Ante-room of South Hall**  
Coffee break

**12.00 – 13.30**            **South Hall**

## PANEL DISCUSSION: „POSITIVE PARENTING – EDUCATION WITHOUT VIOLENCE“

**Education without violence is a consensual base of our modern society and in connection with it there arises a question how can the states influence a climate well-disposed towards children, families, positive parenting and development of parental competencies?**

Klaudijus Stanionis, *Vice-Minister of Social Security and Labour, Lithuania*

Dr. Hanno Pevkur, *Minister of Social Affairs, Estonia*

Dr. Amparo Marzal Martínez, *General Director for Family and Childhood, Ministry of Education, Social Policy and Sports, Spain*

**Do you think that the experiences from the European Network of Ombudsperson for Children (ENOC) are an argument for creation of the institution of children's ombudsperson in each European state with the aim to increase the respect of the best interest of children and building a child-friendly society by including all European countries in this network?**

Mgr. Marek Michalak, *Ombudsman for Children, Poland*

Dr. Carmen Zammit, *Commissioner for Children, Malta*

Ing. Zuzana Baudyšová, *Director of the Our Child Foundation, Czech Republic*

**Which priorities do you see in the European co-operation – by realising the Council of Europe programme BUILDING A EUROPE FOR AND WITH CHILDREN for the years 2009-2012 „Provision, Protection and Participation for Children in Europe“ – in the field of children's rights which supports the building of a child-friendly society?**

Elda Moreno, *Head of the Children's Rights and Family Policies Division, Council of Europe, Manager of the program Building a Europe for and with Children*

Ljubica Šalinger, *Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family, Slovenia*

MUDr. Džamila Stehlíková, *Child psychiatrist, Czech Republic*

PhDr. Jaroslav Šturma, *Chairman to the Czech-Moravian Psychological Society and Director of the Child Centre Paprsek, Czech Republic*

**12.00 – 13.30 Meeting Room 4.2**

### **WORKSHOP: „EFFECTIVE PARENTING STEP BY STEP“**

Ing. Valérie Wágnerová, Ing. Bc. Eliška Vondráčková, *Centre for Family and Social Care, Brno Czech Republic*

**13.30 – 14.30 Restaurant ZOOM**

Lunch

**14.30 – 15.15 South Hall**

### **CLOSING CEREMONY**

**Presentation of the conclusions of the conference**

Mgr. Czeslaw Walek, *Vice-Minister for Human Rights and Minorities, Czech Republic*

Ing. Ján Figel', *Commissioner for Education, Training, Culture and Youth, European Commission*

Member of the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Sweden

### **Children's choir Bruncvík**

*Art Director Lenka Pištěcká*

**15.00 – 16.00 Meeting Room II**

### **PRESS CONFERENCE**

## **POSTER SECTION**

There will be presented an exhibition of successful projects in child protection by non-governmental organisations during the conference.

1. **„Children will tell you“** , Czech Radio 1 - Radiozurnal
2. **„European Youth Campaign „All different – All equal“**, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports in cooperation with Czech Council for Children and Youth
3. **„Without barriers inside of us – from the French inspiration to the Czech practice in multi-disciplinary support of the endangered child and his or her family“**, STŘEP The Czech Centre for the Improvement of Family Life
4. **„Telephone crisis help line“**, Safety Line Association
5. **„Children of convicted parents“**, Czech Helsinki Committee
6. **„Family care program–fatherhood competency“**, Paleček Family Centre
7. **„Human rights education“**, Amnesty International Czech Republic
8. **„It is important no to be alone“**, Association of Parents and Friends of Children with Disability, Prague, Czech Republic
9. **„ABC to children’s rights“**, Our Child Foundation, Prague
10. **Family well-being – Step by step Theatre**, Civic Association Life Together, Ostrava

**CONFERENCE MODERATOR:** Václav Žmolík (Czech Radio)

**CO-MODERATION:** Students of Prague Secondary Grammar Schools

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