

International Conference – The Right to be a Child

November 6, 2009

Tallinn, Estonia

The Conference is dedicated to the 20th anniversary of the adoption the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Objective:

The aim of the conference is to discuss the prevailing attitudes and responsibility in ensuring the rights of children in Estonia and other European states.

Topics of the Conference:

Rights of the Child in Theory and Practice

Child as a subject of protection or a competent and capable person. Children's rights in social and legal norms. What is the relationship between legal instruments and social reality?

The Capacity of the Society to Ensure the Rights of the Child

What is the capacity of the society to ensure the rights of the child? What is the role of a children's ombudsman in ensuring the rights of the child?

Effective Involvement of Children

Specifying the needs of children often requires involvement of children in this process. With proper support, children are able to analyse problems and find solutions, but also to inform each other about the rights and the essence of the rights. Are children and adults ready for a dialogue? Who will benefit from the dialogue? How to promote it successfully?

The Conference includes presentations by internationally renowned experts from Estonia, Belgium, Finland, Serbia, Denmark and Lithuania.

Conference Venue

Sokos Hotel Viru Conference Centre, Viru Väljak 4, Tallinn

Conference Language

The official language of the Conference will be Estonian, with Estonian-English-Estonian simultaneous interpretation.

Registration for the Conference

Participation fee until 30th October is 250 EEK, for members of the Estonian Union for Child Welfare 150 EEK and for students 100 EEK.

Participation fee when registering later: 350 EEK.

Registration deadline is October 30, 2009

After registration the secretary will send out a confirmation with information concerning the payment.

Information and registration

<http://www.lastekaitseliit.ee>

In case You need accommodation please contact Conference Secretary kerli@lastekaitseliit.ee

Organizing Committee

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In case of any questions or problems, please contact Conference Secretariat kerli@lastekaitseliit.ee

Displays

Displays are for companies and organizations for a fee, for members of the Union for Child Welfare for free. Applications for a display are to be submitted to the Organizing Committee of the Conference.

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