Pledge by Germany

Ratified the Convention on the Rights of the Child on 6 March 1992

Ratified the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict on 13 December 2004

Ratified the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children child prostitution and child pornography on 15 July 2009

Ratified the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure on 28 February 2013

Pledges

1. Continue efforts to incorporate an explicit fundamental right for children into the Basic Law.
2. Conduct a “Happy Birthday Children’s rights” Bus Tour throughout Germany that provides information on children’s rights to children and adults.

30th anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child Template for States parties’ commitments and initiatives

1) In light of the commitments we have made under the Convention on the Rights of the Child and its Optional Protocols, as applicable, we have undertaken the following to highlight our commitment to the promotion, protection and realization of the rights of the child in celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Convention:

- **What?** *(Please provide one specific and measurable action that will be taken to implement the Convention, e.g. birth registration for all children; increased access of children with disabilities to inclusive education; deinstitutionalization of all children under the age of XX.)*
  - Continue efforts to incorporate an explicit fundamental right for children into the Basic Law.

- **Why?** *(Please provide the rationale behind the action to be taken, e.g. XX of children are not registered at birth; the majority of children with disabilities do not attend mainstream schools; XX of children currently live in alternative care institutions.)*
• **How?** (Please provide information on the steps envisaged, and resources allocated, to complete this action, such as through a national policy, strategy, programme or activities, e.g. implement a national birth registration programme; adopt a national policy on inclusive education; establish a family-based foster care system for children who cannot stay with their families. This could also include information on how the impact of this action will be assessed.)

• **When?** (Please provide a deadline within the next 5 years for completing this action, e.g. by 2022.)

• **Who?** (Please provide the name of the Government ministry or agency who will take the lead in implementing and monitoring this action, as well as implementing partners including civil society and children’s organizations, e.g. Ministry of Social Affairs or Prime Minister’s Office in collaboration with XX civil society organizations.)

2) **We have made the following plans to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Convention:** (Please provide information, including dates and venues, on any events or activities planned by the State party to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Convention.)

  - “Happy Birthday Children’s rights” Bus Tour – The Ministry of Family Affairs has sent a “child rights” bus on a 4 months journey throughout Germany. The bus provides interactive information though which children and adults can discover what children’s rights are and why they are important. The bus stopped in over 20 cities. The initiative was launched by the Federal Minister for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, Dr. Franziska Giffey.