Day of General Discussion of the Committee on the Rights of the Child

Digital Media and Children’s Rights

Palais des Nations, Room XVII
12 September 2014

Programme

10.00-10.50 a.m. Opening plenary – Room XVII

10.00 – 10.10 a.m. Opening remarks
Ms. Kirsten Sandberg, Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of the Child

10.10-10.20 a.m. Introductory statement
Prof. Sonia Livingstone, Department of Media and Communications, London School of Economics and Political Science

10.20-10.30 a.m. Introductory statement
Mr. Frank LaRue, former UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Freedom of Opinion and Expression, coordinator of Demos Institute in Guatemala

10.30-10.40 a.m. Introductory statement
Mr. Simeon Oriko, Jamlab, Kenya

10.40-10.50 a.m. Introductory statement
Prof. Amanda Third, Institute for Culture and Society, University of Western Sydney/Research Program Leader, Young and Well Cooperative Research Centre, Rights of the Child in the Digital Age project, in partnership with the Digitally Connected Network and UNICEF

11.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. Discussions on Thematic Issues in Two Parallel Working Groups

Working Group 1: Children’s equal and safe access to digital media and ICT - Room XVII

Speaker 1: Ms. Roxana Widmer-Iliescu, International Telecommunications Union

Speaker 2: Mr. John Carr, ECPAT International

Speaker 3: Mr. Rabi Karmacharya, One Laptop per Child (OLPC) Nepal program

Speaker 4: Dr. Juan Cruz Gonzalez-Allonca, National Director for Personal Data Protection at the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights, Argentina

Resource person: Ms. Jasmina Byrne, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF Office of Research – Innocenti

Followed by open discussion until end of Working Group.
Working Group 2: Children’s empowerment and engagement through digital media and ICT – Room XXVI

Speaker 1: Prof. Ferhan Odabasi, Department of Computer Education and Instructional Technology, Anadolu University, Turkey

Speaker 2: Ms. Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, UN Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography

Speaker 3: Ms. Marcela Czarny, RedNATIC/chicos.net

Speaker 4: Ms. Janice Richardson, INSAFE network

Resource person: Prof. Sonia Livingstone, Department of Media and Communications, London School of Economics and Political Science

Followed by open discussion until end of the Working Group.

1.00 - 3.00 p.m. Lunch break
[With option to attend lunch time side events organized by OHCHR]

3.00 - 4.40 p.m. Working groups continued

4.40 - 5.00 p.m. Working groups conclude on respective main observations and recommendations

5.00 - 5.20 p.m. Coffee break
(Chairs and Rapporteurs of each Working Group prepare conclusions)

5.20-6.00 Closing plenary – Room XVII

5.20 - 5.50 p.m. Presentation by Rapporteurs to plenary of working group conclusions

5.50 - 5.55 p.m. Concluding comments

5.55 - 6.00 p.m. Closing remarks

Following the closing remarks, a reception offered by the Global Child Forum will take place in the Restaurant des Délégués (Palais des Nations, Building A, 8th floor).