How Can I Tell the Committee on the Rights of the Child and the World What I Think about Children as Human Rights Defenders?

You have three different ways to share your thoughts about children who are, or want to be, human rights defenders:

1. **PARTICIPATE**
   - Consultations organised all over the world by Child Rights Connect and its partners

2. **WRITE**
   - Fill in the online survey on Child Rights Connect website

3. **REPORT**
   - Reports, films, photos and drawings to the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child: crc@ohchr.org

You are welcome to send your recommendations to specific groups of people!

- UN Committee on the Rights of the Child and other Treaty Bodies
- UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders
- States
- Children’s Ombudspersons and National Human Rights Institutions
- UNICEF and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Other UN and regional human rights mechanisms
- Civil society organizations
- Private sector
- Parents, teachers and guardians
- Children

Deadline for submissions: 1 July 2018
Guiding questions

In preparing your suggestions and inputs you may try and answer to all or some of the following **guiding questions**:

- Who should be recognized as children human rights defender (CHRD)?
- How can children use their capacities and experiences to act as defenders?
- What is the role that children play as human rights defenders in society?
- What does help children to act as human rights defenders?
- What are the barriers that children face at local, national, and international level?
- How can children be supported by adults to act as human rights defenders?
- How can children human rights defenders empower other children and receive support from them?
- What are the risks faced by children human rights defenders?
- How can children human rights defenders be protected?
- What mechanisms can children rights defenders use to claim their rights if violated?
- What do you think your government is doing to protect children human rights defenders?
- What else do you think your government should be doing to protect them?

To know more about the **2018 Day of General Discussion** on “Protecting and empowering children as human rights defenders”, please check the webpage: