

Programme

High level meeting on Europe's challenge to ensure a rights perspective for children in migration

Stockholm April 24, 2017

Venue: Riksdagen, Första kammaren (1st Chamber of the Swedish Parliament)

Facilitator: Olivia Lind Haldorsson, expert on children's rights in EU affairs

9.00-9.05 Welcome the Riksdag by the Second Deputy Speaker of the Riksdag, Björn Söder

9.05-9:10 Opening by Fredrik Malmberg, Ombudsman for Children in Sweden and Cecilia Sjölander, General Secretary, Children's Welfare Foundation

9.10-9.20 Statement by Åsa Regné, Minister for Children, Elderly and Equality, Sweden

9.20-10.15 Panel discussion – child rights challenges in migration in Europe

- Fredrik Malmberg, Ombudsman for Children in Sweden
- Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, member of the European Parliament, co-chair Inter-group on children's rights
- George Moschos, Ombudsman for Children in Greece
- Geneviève Avenard, Ombudsperson for children in France
- Per-Anders Sunesson, Ambassador for combating Trafficking in Persons, Sweden
- Livia Stoica, Children's Rights Division, Council of Europe

10.15-10.45 Coffee break

10.45-10.50 Video message from Commissioner Věra Jourová

10.50-11.30 Panel discussion – Child rights challenges in the new Common European Asylum System

- Margaret Tuite, Commission coordinator for the rights of the child, European Commission
- Pernilla Baralt, State Secretary to the Minister for Children, Elderly and Equality, Sweden
- Malin Björk, member of the European Parliament, rapporteur on the resettlement regulation
- Tuomas Kurttila, Ombudsman for children, Finland, up-coming chair of ENOC
- Verena Knaus, UNICEF Brussels Office
- Ioannis Dimitrakopoulos, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights

11.30-11.45 Key note speech – The migration situation in Europe from a human rights perspective

Tomas Bocek, Council of Europe special rapporteur on migration

11.45-12.00 Migration currents globally and in Europe.

- Nicola Clase, Ambassador, Coordinator for Migration and Refugee Issues, Sweden

12.00-13.00 Lunch

13.00-13.10 Introduction to the interactive session

13.10-14.30 Child rights challenges regarding migration and integration in Europe.

Joint discussions and interactive session with all the participants of the meeting.

14.30-15.00 Coffee break

15.00-15.30 – Closing remarks and adoption of ENOC statement

- Edita Ziobiene, Chair of ENOC, Ombudsperson for Children's Rights, Lithuania