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CHILDREN'S RIGHTS  
RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

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GENEVA 31-08 & 01-09



5<sup>th</sup> EDITION

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# 2017

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## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

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## THEME AND SCOPE

The Centre for Children's Rights Studies of the University of Geneva is pleased to organise the 5th edition of the Children's Rights Research Symposium (CRRS). The event will take place in Geneva, Switzerland, on the 31st of August and the 1st of September 2017. In line with the four previous symposia (Liverpool 2013, Cork 2014, Antwerp 2015, and Leiden 2016), the event facilitates a space where doctoral researchers and supervisors from different universities and backgrounds (law, education, sociology, anthropology, psychology, history) come together to share and develop research related to children's rights studies.

The theme of the symposium is:

### *Conversations between Children's Rights and Childhood Studies*

In 1998 Michael Freeman argued that thus far there had been little dialogue between children's rights and childhood studies. To support his claim he pointed at the journals *Childhood* and *The International Journal of Children's Rights* which, up to then, were hardly overlapping. He furthermore thought it unlikely that the same people would read both journals. A quick look into the catalogues of the journals since then reveals that much has changed indeed. Developments within the two fields of study have made them increasingly interrelated, to the extent that they are often lumped together when referred to, as if, as one author puts it, they are on their way from 'living apart together' towards a happy marriage. Are children's rights and childhood studies indeed conversing? And if so, what have both fields of studies to say to each other? Through a series of plenary conversations and paper presentations, the research symposium wishes to address where and how children's rights studies have taken on board insights from childhood studies, and vice versa. In particular, we want to explore how individual researchers navigate their ongoing research projects between the rich and diverse histories, concepts, theories and methodologies of both fields.

# GENERAL PROGRAMME

The symposium takes place in the Carl Vogt building of the University of Geneva (see 'practical information'). The methodology, key-note and panel sessions are held in room B001. The poster session takes place next door in room B002.

## Wednesday 30 August

20:00 Dinner at Restaurant 'Le Bateau-Lavoir'  
(Promenades des Lavandières, Genève)

## Thursday 31 August

09:00 – 12:00 Methodology Session (doctoral researchers only)  
Moderator: Susana Borda

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch  
(in front of room B001)

13:00 – 14:15 Key-Note Conversation: Prof. Berry Mayall & Dr. Nigel Cantwell  
Moderator: Prof. Karl Hanson

14:15 – 15:15 Panel Session 1: Methodology in Children's Rights Research

15:15 – 15:45 Health Break

15:45 – 16:45 Panel Session 2: Refugee Children and Asylum Law

16:45 – 17:45 Panel Session 3: Children's Rights and Agency

17:45 – 18:00 Health Break

18:00 – 19:15 Poster Session

20:00 Dinner at Café Restaurant du Parc des Bastions  
(Promenade des Bastions 1, Genève)

## Friday 1 September

09:00 – 10:00 Panel Session 4: Juvenile Justice

10:00 – 11:00 Panel Session 5: Children's Rights and 'new' Territories

11:00 – 11:30 Health Break

- 11:30 – 12:30 Panel Session 6: Children’s Rights, Childhood & Children in Care
- 12:30 – 13:15 Debriefing Session PhD Participants  
(UNIGE Carl Vogt, room B001)
- 12:30 – 13:15 Debriefing Session Supervisors  
(UNIGE Carl Vogt, room B002)
- 13:30 – 14:30 Lunch at the Geneva Museum of Ethnography (MEG)  
(across the street)
- 14:45 – 15:45 Optional Cultural Outing: Guided Visit to ‘The Archives of Human  
Diversity’ (MEG)

## PANEL SESSIONS

Presenters will each have exactly 10 minutes for their presentation. After each presentation there will be 10 minutes for a discussion, starting with the comments from the 'designated' supervisor. The sessions will alternately be facilitated by Edward van Daalen and Andrea Lutz of the Centre for Children's Rights Studies.

### **Panel Session 1: Methodology in Children's Rights Research**

Thursday 31 August, 14:15 – 15:15

Child Led Research in Practice  
*Seamus Byrne, University of Liverpool*

Applying a Children's Rights-Based Approach in Research at a Global Scale  
*Antje Ruhmann, Queen's University Belfast*

Exploring the Use of Synchronous Online Focus Groups as a Method for Researching with Children and Young People  
*Rachel Heah, University of Liverpool*

### **Panel Session 2: Migrant and Asylum Seeking Children**

Thursday 31 August, 15:45 – 16:45

Sacrificing Parents on the Altar of Children's Rights – Intergenerational Rights and Struggles in Deportability  
*Jacob Lind, Malmö University*

A Childhood for every Child? Promoting Children's Rights and Best Interests: A Perspective from Refugee and Asylum Law  
*Ruth Brittle, University of Nottingham*

Children's Lived Rights and Everyday Politics: Perspectives and Lived Experiences of Accompanied Asylum Seeking Children in Sweden  
*Sandra Karlsson, Stockholm University*

### **Panel Session 3: Children's Rights and Agency**

Thursday 31 August, 16:45 – 17:45

Perpetually on the Verge of Collapsing: An Inquiry into the Major Organizations that Translate Working Children's Rights in Urban Senegal  
*Nicolas Mabillard, University of Geneva*

A Right to be heard Differently: Mapping the Lived Experience of Child Poverty and Vulnerability in Siaya, Kenya  
*Elizabeth Ngutuku, International Institute of Social Studies*

Epistemic Agency: Young people's Voice in the Co-production of Knowledge  
*Amy Brown, Queen's University Belfast*

**Panel Session 4: Juvenile Justice**

Friday 1 September, 09:00 – 10:00

Responses to Offending by Children and the Protection of Children's Rights: A Comparative Perspective  
*Louise Forde, University College Cork*

Young offenders of violent Crimes in Sweden: How do legal Authorities in Sweden handle Children in Conflict with the Law who exercised Lethal Force?  
*Ulrika Winerdal, Stockholm University*

Institutional Inequalities: Black and Minority Ethnic Children and Looked After Children in the Youth Justice System  
*Katie Elizabeth Hunter, University of Liverpool*

**Panel Session 5: Children's Rights in new and unknown Territories**

Friday 1 September, 10:00 – 11:00

Implementation of UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in North Korea. Towards developing North Korean Children's Rights Protection Mechanism  
*Jae-Chun Won, Leiden University*

Evolving Capacities: Introducing a Rights-based Framework to inform Assent and parental Proxy-consent Processes in Biomedical Clinical Research involving Children  
*Sheila Varadan, Leiden University*

Young Teens' Responses to Hate on a public social networking Site  
*Kim Sylwander, Stockholm University*



**Panel Session 6: Children's Rights, Childhood, and Children in Care**

Friday 1 September, 11:30 – 12:30

The Colonization of Childhood: The critical Pedagogy of Janusz Korczak  
*Basia Vucic, University College London*

What Matters to Children in Care?  
*Mariela Neagu, University of Oxford*

Empowering Children's Rights through Participatory Research: Insights from  
Family Reunification Study in Moldova  
*Irina Sirbu, University of East Anglia, UK*

# POSTER SESSION

Following the 'Three Minute Thesis' format<sup>1</sup>, poster presenters will each have exactly 3 minutes to orally introduce their poster. After the introductions the participants can roam the room to engage in conversation with the poster presenters.

Thursday 31 August, 18:00 – 19:15

A Century of Children's Rights, from Ellen Key to Gianfranco Zavalloni  
*Luisa Ceccarelli, University of Bologna*

The Social, Cultural and Legal Context of Assisted Reproduction in South Africa  
*Carmel van Niekerk, Leiden University*

The Child's Right to be Heard in Croatian judicial Proceeding  
*Daniel, Rupić, Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek*

Learning Morality in Contemporary Lithuania  
*Audronė Daraškevičienė, The Lithuanian Institute of History*

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<sup>1</sup> See [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Three\\_Minute\\_Thesis](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Three_Minute_Thesis)

# PARTICIPANTS

## PhD Researchers

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# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

## Observers

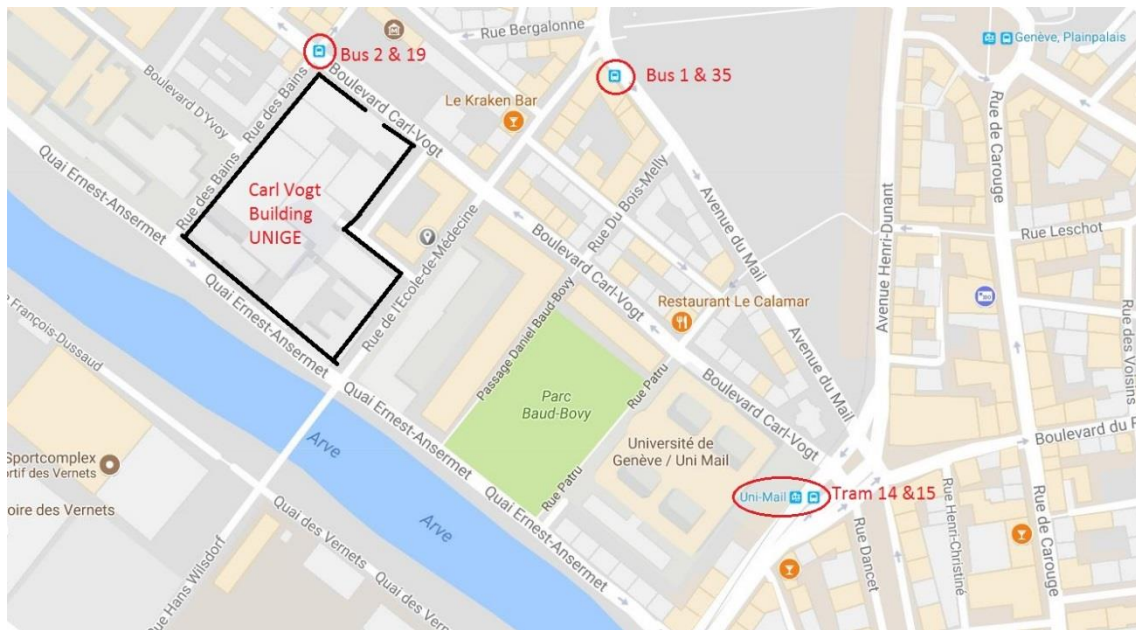
Besides the PhD participants and their supervisors, the CRRS welcomes several registered ‘observers’. During the conference, observers are able to attend the panel and the poster sessions.

## Venue

The symposium will take place in rooms B001 and B002 of the Carl Vogt building of the University of Geneva.

Uni Carl Vogt  
66 Boulevard Carl-Vogt  
1205 Genève

Bus 2 & 19, stop: ‘Musée d’ethnographie’  
Bus 1 & 35, stop: ‘Ecole-Medecine’  
Tram 14 & 15, stop: ‘Uni-Mail’



## Getting to Geneva from the Airport

Before going through the exit sliding doors after picking up your luggage, there is a special vending machine where you can get a free transport card valid for 80mn. You can use the ticket to take the train (7min) into the city from the airport train station, and for the city busses and trams.

All official hotels will then provide you with a free public transportation card which will be valid for the duration of your stay.

For those coming to the symposium directly from the airport:

Option 1: From the airport take a train to Geneva Station, then Bus 1 (stop: Ecole-Medecine) or Tram 15 (stop: Uni-Mail)

Option 2: From the airport take Bus 5 (stop: Bel Air), then Bus 2 or 19 (stop: Musée d'ethnographie)

Both journeys take approx. 35min

## Contact

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