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## WORKSHOP ON: Children's rights and the right to a healthy environment – intersections and opportunities

### Coordinators:

**Aoife Daly**, Professor of Law, School of Law, University College Cork and **Dina Lupin**, Lecturer at the School of Law at the University of Southampton, Director of the Global Network for Human Rights and the Environment

11-12 April 2024

### Programme

Meeting room: Karl Renner & Achille Loria (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

#### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April

Arrival

21:00 *Dinner* "Restaurante Iturritxo" for all the participants [Street: Atzeko Kalea, 32]

#### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April

09:00-09:15 **Registration** at the International Institute for the Sociology of Law (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

09:15-09:30: Introduction:

**Aoife Daly**, University College Cork

**Dina Lupin**, University of Southampton

**Sabine Frerichs**, Scientific Director of the IISL

**Leire Kortabarria**, IISL Publications officer

09:30-11:00: **SESSION 1: THE CLIMATE CRISIS**

**Karin Arts, Professor of International Law and Development, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hague, The Netherlands (part of Erasmus University Rotterdam).**

'A Child Rights-Based Approach to Climate Change: A Tool For Stepping up Accountability'.

**Rosemary Mwanza, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Faculty of Law, Stockholm University, Sweden.**

'Righting the Wrongs of Climate Injustice for Children: The Prospects of the Right to a Healthy Environment'.

**Aoife Daly, Professor of Law, University College Cork, Ireland.**

'A post-paternalist era? - What climate activism might mean for work on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child'.

11:00-11:30: *Coffee break* [Gurvitch & Galdos room]

## **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April (continuation)**

11:30-13:15: **SESSION 2: CHILDREN/YOUTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHTS: IN THEIR OWN WORDS**

**Katie Reid Independent Consultant on ERC Youth Climate Justice Project.**

“‘It’s up to you, me and all of us”: Realising children’s environmental rights through intergenerational forms of participation’.

**Zuria Arzua Cebolla, Legal Officer – Children’s Rights Department, Ombudsman of the Basque Country; Patricia Poderós Shirazi, Student – IES Mungia BHI; Peio Chasco Van Acker, Student – IES Pio Baroja BHI.**

‘Working with the European network of ombudspersons for children on climate justice for children’.

13:30: *Lunch* [Cantina Zapore]

14:45-16:15: **SESSION 3: INTERGENERATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LAW ISSUES**

**Florencia Paz, Postdoctoral researcher, School of Law, University College Cork.**

‘The temporal aspects of the right of children to a healthy environment’.

**Emily Murray, PhD researcher, School of Law, University College Cork.**

‘Where is health in the right of children to a healthy environment?’

**Digno José Montalván Zambrano, Carlos III University.**

‘Children's rights and rights of future generations: reflections from the advisory opinion on climate change of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights’.

**Qiruona (Charuun), PhD candidate, Wuhan University, China.**

‘Changing Climate, changing life: Inter-generational equity and Indigenous people's rights in Inner Mongolia, China’.

16:30-17:30: **SESSION 4: ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION I**

**Questions for discussion:**

What is the right to a healthy environment?

What does it mean for children’s rights?

## **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

09:15-11:00: **SESSION 5: DEVELOPMENT**

**Niamh Guiry, PhD Researcher, University College Cork, Ireland.**

‘Exploring the Relationship Between Intragenerational Equity and the United Nations 2030 Sustainable Development Goals’.

**Nabin Maharjan, Postdoctoral candidate, University College Cork, Ireland.**

‘Children and the environment in Nepal’.

**Dina Lupin, Senior Lecturer, University of Southampton, UK.**

‘Children’s development and the right to sustainable development’.

**Emily Jones, NUAct Fellow, Newcastle Law School, UK.**

‘Embracing a (Non)Human Right to a Healthy Environment’.

11:00-11:30: *Coffee break* [Gurvitch & Galdos room]

11:15-13:00: **SESSION 6: LITIGATION/APPLICATIONS**

**Liesl Muller, PhD researcher, School of Law, University College Cork.**

‘Climate litigation in South Africa’.

**Karabo Ozah, Child Law Centre, University of Pretoria, South Africa.**

‘Developments from South Africa on activism, research and litigation’.

**Kelly Matheson, Deputy Director, Global Climate Litigation, Our Children’s Trust.**

‘Children/youth and climate litigation’.

**Maria Antonia Tigre, Global Climate Litigation Fellow, Sabin Center for Climate Change Law, Columbia Law School/ Asteropi Chatzinikola-Iliopoulos, PhD Candidate, Cardiff School of Law & Politics and University of Bristol.**

‘The rights of the child and future generations under Vanuatu's ICJ advisory opinion request’.

13:30: *Lunch* [Cantina Zapore]

14:45-15:45: **SESSION 7: JUSTICE FOR CHILDREN/YOUTH**

**Alana Malinde S. N. Lancaster, Lecturer in Law & Head: Environmental Law, Ocean Governance & Climate Justice Unit, The University of the West Indies (Cave Hill Campus), Barbados.**

‘Bridging The Gaps Created Conflicts & Disasters To A Child’s Right To A Healthy Ocean Environment: Reflections On Blue (Ocean) Crimes & The Contribution Of International [Child] Law’.

**Cindy Blackstock, Professor with the School of Social Work, McGill University and Executive Director of the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society, Canada.**

‘Children’s access to justice to address structural discrimination’.

## **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April (continuation)**

**Elisa Morgera, One Ocean Hub/University of Strathclyde.**

'The interplay of children's human rights, the human right to a healthy environment and the human right to science: shedding new light on States' individual and collective obligations on scientific cooperation and on capacity, financial and technological solidarity'.

**Freya Doughty-Wagner, doctoral candidate at Washington University in St. Louis.**

'The Climate Crisis is a Children's Health Crisis: Seeking Justice through General Comments and the Sustainable Development Goals'.

16:00-17:00: **SESSION 8: ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION II**

### **Questions for discussion:**

How do we bring children's rights and environmental rights together?

Where do we go from here?

**Conclusions: The workshop and beyond – Aoife and Dina**