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Dear Network Members and Network Interested,

As usual we are providing you with information on procedures within ENMCR and its members and upcoming conferences and seminars on specific Child Rights topics.

For comments and feedback on our newsletter, suggestions for improvement, please write to info@enmcr.net. If you would like us to include information on activities in your surroundings, please send an e-mail to info@enmcr.net.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Budde and Julia Justl (Editors)



Opening of lecture series at the FU-Berlin with Marlene Rupperecht, member of the Children's Commission of the German Parliament
15. April 2008

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General News Internal

Become a sponsor of a future advocate for children's rights.

Since the academic year 2007/08 European Universities who are collaborating in the European Network of Masters in Children's Rights (www.enmcr.net) offer a joint special post-graduate Master study programme which aims at strengthening the rights of the child in all areas of society.

The MA programmes aim at contributing to the implementation and further development of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, as well as to the National Action plans of national governments to create a "world fit for children" by 2010, which were elaborated after the UN children's summit (2002) in New York. This contribution manifests itself in increasing numbers of highly qualified graduates of the programme who respect children as subjects of rights and include children's perspectives in all decisions affecting them not only in their professional working life but also in their personal relations.

In order to enable as many students as possible access to this new special qualification, we are looking for sponsors who are willing to finance tuition fees for students or to offer scholarships. Any contribution will help bringing children's rights forth in our societies.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact Rebecca Budde (r.budde@fu-berlin.de) or Manfred Liebel (mliebel@ina-fu.org)

News from members, associated members and Networks of which ENMCR is a member

EMCR at the FU

In order to be able to include students from outside Europe in The EMCR starting in Autumn 2008, the deadline for application has been pre-poned to **April 30**. Detailed information on the programme and application forms are available on: www.fu-berlin.de/emcr.

Please note that the title of the joint European programme will be changed to "European Master in Childhood Studies and Children's Rights". The deadline for applications is coming to a close and there are still some few places open. You may forward this information to any interested parties.

For further information on the MA in Berlin, please contact: Rebecca Budde: r.budde@fu-berlin.de

Lecture Series on Children's Rights at the Freie Universität Berlin

On April 15, 2008 the circle lectures "*Kinderrechte zwischen Anspruch und Wirklichkeit*" (Children's Rights between Claim and Reality- multidisciplinary aspects) which is offered within the framework of the European Master in Children's Rights started at the FU Berlin. The lectures are open to the public. The aim is to highlight important aspects of strengthening and implementing children's rights. Speakers from different academic disciplines and professional backgrounds will speak about current European and International contexts of child rights research and practice and be available for discussion afterwards. Lectures are held either in German or in English. Lectures take place on Tuesday evenings from Tue 18.00-20.00. (15 April- 15 July 2008)

For more information on the speakers and the detailed programme visit http://www.ewi-psy.fu-berlin.de/en/einrichtungen/weitere/enmcr/news/Ringvorlesung_Offener_H_rsaal.html

Educational Dilemmas in Culturally Diversified Societies(Conference)

Date: 24-25th September 2008; Location: Warsaw, Poland

The Maria Grzegorzewska Academy of Special Education invites to the International Scientific Conference on EDUCATIONAL DILEMMAS IN CULTURALLY DIVERSIFIED SOCIETIES organized by the Chair of Education Basis. For more information, please visit the website:

http://www.aps.edu.pl/dylematy_educacyjne/de_a/index_a.html. For any further information do not hesitate to contact: Ewa Dąbrowa edab@aps.edu.pl; Urszula Markowska-Manista: umarkowska@aps.edu.pl

Eurochild annual conference: (pre-announcement)

Date: 5.-7 November 2008 Location: Budapest.

Eurochild (of which ENMCR is a member) will hold its next annual conference in Budapest, Hungary on November 5-7, 2008. The topic will be: 'Including children: a child rights approach to child's well-being'. We will inform you about more details when they are available.

Child without barriers. On the human right to be a child among children.

Seminar Date: 2-3 May, 2008 Location: Evangelische Fachhochschule Darmstadt

Organiser: Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft Gemeinsam leben - gemeinsam lernen (Federal working group: living together- learning together; in cooperation with the National Coalition Germany (of which ENMCR is a member) and the Protestant University of Applied Sciences Darmstadt.

The UNCRC does specifically mention the rights of handicapped children, yet, a bit lax. What IS the rights situation though, of children who are disabled? Parents of disabled children experience quite frequently that their children are not naturally expected to show up in places "normal" children are: music schools, youth groups, sports clubs etc. Instead, children with disabilities often find themselves in social spaces they didn't choose to be in, but to which society has assigned them. By this, the distance between disabled and non-disabled members of society is strengthened. The child as subject of rights as defined in the CRC is basically inexistent. The seminar is directed to families with disabled children, to responsible persons in politics and administrations, staff of the child and youth welfare system, teachers and educators- all persons who can contribute to bringing disabled children to the middle of society- the theme is to find solutions to end the spiral of marginalization.

Further information and registration: BAG Gemeinsam leben - gemeinsam lernen e.V. ; Gabriele Denker. Falkstr. 106 HH, 60487 Frankfurt am Main; E-Mail: denker@gemeinsamleben-gemeinsamlernen.de , www.gemeinsamleben-gemeinsamlernen.de

General News External

Swansea Conference

Date: 19 September 2008 Location: Swansea University, UK

A major conference on children's rights and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child will be held at Swansea University on 19 September 2008. The conference will bring together leading international experts and those concerned with implementation of the UNCRC within governmental and non-governmental organisations. The conference comes at a time when the UK's progress on UNCRC implementation is under international scrutiny in the current reporting cycle under the Convention, and when the Convention itself approaches its 20th year in operation. The conference will be of interest to academics, practitioners and policy advisers concerned with the implications of children's rights in law, policy and practice. Below is a link to the conference website, where further information, including booking arrangements, can be found. Please circulate this message to any persons you know who might be interested in attending.

www.rightsofthechildswansea.com

The Social Capital Foundation – Malta Conference

Date: 19 September 2008, 5 p.m. - 22 September 2008, noon. Location: Malta

This conference will discuss openly the issues associated with social capital, social inclusion and social cohesion. As possible examples, the following topics may be presented and/or discussed at the conference:

- Social capital and social inclusion, conceptual and empirical links,
- Ethnic diversity and social capital, migrations, and minority integration,
- Social mobility and social capital,
- Social cohesion and revenue inequality issues,

- Social capital and public policies, community development, urban policies,
- Lifelong learning, education issues related to social capital,
- Social capital, families, and the private life,
- Definition and measurement issues about social capital,
- Issues revolving around the TISR model,
- Other issues proposed by participants.

This type of conference brings together social scientists, economists, policymakers, social workers and the widest spectrum of the involved players to explore the social cohesion issues arising in our society. The objective is to make progress on the understanding of these issues, by shedding light on some current developments and drafting innovative, practical responses. The Social Link Cycle is a line of conferences dedicated to the bond between people within society, and its contemporary crisis.

Further information: <http://www.socialcapital-foundation.org/conferences/2008/TSCF%20International%20Conference%202008.htm>

VII Meeting of the movement of working children and young people of Latin America and the Caribbean (MOLACNATs) in Cachipay, Colombia (report)

From March 14-21, 2008 the movement of working children and adolescents of Latin America and the Caribbean (MOLACNATs) met for the 7th time, in order to exchange experiences and bring the movement forward. Representatives from several Latin American and Caribbean countries took part as well as representatives of movements in Europe (ItaliaNATs and ProNATs). The children and young people acknowledged the reality of their movement which was founded 30 years ago in Lima, Peru and has been brought forth since. The last meeting had been held in Paraguay in 2001. In the final declaration, the protagonists confirm their claims and demands which they have always been fighting for and present different activities that have started or are planned:

In the frame of the sustainability project a three year action plan was elaborated, that aims at implementing the political and social ideals of the movement. The action plan should serve to raise the movement's profile and reputation and thereby assist the children and young people in reaching the goal of social acknowledgement. The children have committed themselves to bring forward their rights and to develop actions to reduce poverty and to improve their working conditions, as well as fighting against social exclusion and violence against children, especially against working children. The children commit themselves to take action to enable children to work in dignity and to defend this work.

In particular the children demand that:

- national governments and the populations respect their rights.
- they be listened to and are able to participate in decision making processes that affect them.

As Latin American movement, the children are dedicated to a new paradigm of childhood which was developed together with the adults present at the meeting. (Children are no longer to be seen as incompetent or as pure potential for the future, but rather as subjects of rights in the present who can contribute essentially to an improvement of society. The children of the movements see themselves as pioneers of this new paradigm).

The children have also actively participated in establishing a web platform on which their reality as an organized movement is demonstrated. They want to reach an improvement of their living conditions which are based on a solidarity economy. The declaration ends with a clear statement:

The working children know themselves, what needs to be said! We are not the problem but the solution!!! Long live the dignified work of working children!!!

The full declaration can be downloaded (in German) from: www.pronats.de or in Spanish on www.molacnats.org (an English version should be made available soon).

The first Children's Embassy in the World "MEGJASHI"

The first children's embassy in the world "MEGJASHI" -The Republic of Macedonia is a World Association of citizens and represents an international, non-government, non-partisan and non-profitable humanitarian organization for care, protection and promotion of the children's rights. It is First Em-

bassy of the children in the World. MEGJASHI- was founded by Gordana Pirkovska-Zmijanac (founder) and Dragi Zmijanac (founder) in Skopje, on 29.04.1992. More information on the children's embassy: <http://www.childrensembassy.org.mk/default-en.asp>

World Conference of Children's Playtowns

Date: 13-15 August 2008. Location: Berlin

The first ever World Conference of Children's Playtowns provides an international forum to discuss current issues surrounding children's playtowns. Children's participation is a core value in democratic society. In order to learn democracy, you need to live it. Children's playtowns are an excellent way to achieve this. Through play, children can experience the functioning of society. The Conference allows for experiences to be exchanged using the "open space" method. The children's playtown "FEZitty", running parallel to the Conference with hundreds of children taking part daily, will provide a clear picture. The World Conference is aimed at those who are organising or planning children's playtowns. Further information: http://dkhw.de/english/index.html?a=childrens_playtowns/index.html

World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse – (19 November 2008)

WWSF, the Women's World Summit Foundation has been coordinating activities around the world day for prevention of child abuse. Launched in 2000, the World Day has as its main purpose to create a global culture of prevention of child abuse worldwide. Every year, more and more Governmental and Non Governmental organizations join the campaign to help make prevention of child abuse a global priority. WWSF invites you to join the 2008.

2008 Registration Form is available at <http://www.woman.ch/children/1-register.php>

<<http://www.woman.ch/children/1-register.php>>. Registrations should be submitted by **1 May 2008**

Please note that your organization can register as either an active or supporting member:

Active members commit to organize activities/events on 19 November and to send a brief report to WWSF. They are eligible for selection of the annual WWSF Prize for prevention of child abuse. The Prize is annually given to four organizations (US\$ 5000 p. year).

Supporting members do not organize any event on 19 November. They are therefore not eligible for the WWSF Prize. The WWSF Prize Jury is now selecting the four laureate organizations that will receive the Prize for Prevention of Child Abuse on 19 November 2008. Previous laureate organizations' activities are available at <http://www.woman.ch/children/2-laureates.php>

For further information you can contact: Laure Maitrejean; Children's Section Co-ordinator, WWSF Women's World Summit Foundation, Secretariat : 11 Avenue de la Paix, CH-1202 Geneva P.O.Box 143, 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland; Tel: +41 (0) 22 738.66.19 / Fax +41 (0) 22 738.82.48; Email: wdpca@wwsf.ch / Web: <http://www.woman.ch>

World Children's Radio on air

Since May 31, the worldwide children's radio „World Children's Radio“ is on air. The inauguration was held in Berlin with child reporters of RADIJOJO! In the presence of many honourable guests and press. Since then the English stream is on air on the web 24h a day, 7 days a week. The program on www.world-childrens-radio.net is made by children for children, e.g. by school classes in exchange with an international partner class. Children take you on musical trips around the world, present interviews with interesting stars or explain important themes.

European Children's Radio (EUCHIRA)

The European children's radio „EUCHIRA“ is being established by RADIJOJO!: a multilingual web portal on European partnership projects. At the moment, 6 partner programs between elementary schools in Berlin and different parts of former Yugoslavia are being set up in cooperation with the Media Education Centre from Belgrade (Serbia). Next school year, 6 classes each from Berlin and London will cooperate. Already done are the programs of a partnership of schools and a radio station in Ratibor/Poland and of already existing partnerships between schools in Bavaria, Italy, Spain and Ireland. Link: www.radijojo.de/euchira

Publications

Supporting young people in Europe (Volume 2)

This monograph has two purposes. The first is to develop the framework that was initially established through a grounded reading of the material from the first seven international reviews of national youth policy conducted by the Council of Europe Youth Directorate between 1997 and 2001. This has involved a careful reading of the subsequent national and international reports produced between 2002 and 2006 to identify either issues that merit greater prominence or new issues to be addressed in the future. The outcome of this exercise is the proposal of a new framework for European-level debates on the subject of youth policy. The second purpose is, through consultation with those who took part in the second cycle of reviews, to refine further the process by which international reviews are carried out. A number of observations suggest that immediate action can be taken to improve the experience of participating in review teams and, ultimately, the quality of the international reports.

http://book.coe.int/sysmodules/RBS_page/admin/redirect.php?id=36&lang=EN&produit_aliasid=2291

News from CRIN

COMPETITION: Ibero-American Black and White Photography [news]

We want to be treated well! 1 April - 15 May 2008

Save the Children annually organises the Ibero-American Black and White Photography Contest, the aim of which is to portray a positive concept of childhood.

The theme of the 5th Ibero-American Black and White Photography Contest is the right of boys, girls and adolescents to dignified treatment, based on communication, care and respect. Boys and girls have the same rights as adults do, in addition to special rights which are established in the CRC.

All professional and amateur photographers living in Latin American country or Spain may participate. The photographs entered must be taken in any Latin American countries or Spain.

Each participant may enter a maximum of two (02) photographs. Participation is individual. No photograph can be signed by two or more authors.

The contest website (<http://concurso.savethechildrenla.org/>) is the place where participants can register and upload their photographs.

Photographs should focus on the theme of the contest 'We want to be treated well!', showing in a creative way the children's right to receive a good treatment. It is recommended to show a richness of races, cultures, ages and activities performed by boys and girls of the region. It is recommended not to show images of children in unfavourable circumstances, in peril, threat of violence, or death.

Only black and white photographs will be accepted. The deadline for the reception of photographs will be **Thursday 15 May 2008**, at 21:00 hrs in Peru (+05:00 GMT). The photograph which obtains first place will be awarded US\$ 800. Visit the website for information on other prizes.

For more information, contact: Save the Children Sweden - Regional Programme for Latin America and the Caribbean; Apartado 14-0393, Lima 27; Tel: + 51 1 4229292; Fax: + 51 1 4224632

Email: postmaster@scslat.org; Website: www.scslat.org

Stop Child Trafficking International Congress

Date: 7-9 May 2008 Location: Valencia and Castellón, Spain

Fundación Tierra de Hombres Spain (People's Earth Foundation Spain) and Fundación por la Justicia (Foundation for Justice), non-profit organisations and professionals in Child Rights defence, will be the hosts of the conference. From this open and plural academic space, they would like to analyse and discuss this grave violation of children's rights, and the possible solutions that could be implemented to make society and the actors of major significance aware of it. This event will be one of many to commemorate the 60th anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights. During this second congress, participants will study the conclusions arrived at in 2004 in Germany, where the last congress was held.

Experts in Child Rights and Human Trafficking from around the world, representatives of the Euro-

pean Council and European Commission, specialists from the field and NGOs will attend the event. Capacity is limited and is mainly for professionals such as lawyers, social workers, psychologists, security force members, educators, members of NGOs, university students.

For more information and registration email: congreso@tierradehombres.org

News from Eurochild

Commission Memo on Follow-up to the EU strategy on the Rights of the Child

The European Commission is engaged in the implementation of its strategy on the Rights of the Child, which was announced in its 2006 communication "Towards an EU strategy on the rights of the child". A number of actions envisaged in the communication have already been launched. The EU has developed various concrete policies and programmes on children's rights, spanning both internal and external policies and covering a broad range of issues, such as child trafficking and sexual abuse, violence against children, discrimination, child poverty, social exclusion, child labour, health and education. Some of these actions are:

- reserving the number 116000 for a single telephone number for urgent calls about missing children
- promote the introduction of a Child Alert mechanism in every member state, and use such a mechanism at cross-border level when necessary
- currently setting up a mechanism to stop payments made with a credit card or an electronic payment when purchasing images of sexual abuse of children on the Internet
- a study on the design of indicators concerning children's rights and on relevant data sources was launched recently and is monitored with the help of the European Agency on Fundamental Rights
- recent adoption of a communication on Children in External Action, which places children at the centre of the EU's external relations, development and humanitarian aid policy
- Safer Internet Day on 12 February 2008 (supported by the Commission)
- the global trade association for mobile operators has launched the Mobile Alliance against Child Sexual Abuse Content to obstruct the use of the mobile environment by individuals or organisations wishing to consume or profit from child sexual abuse content (supported by the Commission)

For the full memo:

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/08/231&type=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

Towards a European Year on Volunteering in 2011 - join the battle!

Members of the European Parliament are called to push for a European Year of Volunteering for 2011, through a written declaration that has to be signed by a majority of parliamentarians. This declaration was pushed for and supported by European Volunteer Centre, the European Youth Forum, the Association of Voluntary Service Organisations, the World Scouts Movement, the Red Cross/ European Union Office, volonteuropa, AGE, Solidar, Caritas Europa, ENGAGE, Johanniter International, the European Non-Governmental Sports Organisation. Members of the Social Platform are invited to contact the European Volunteer Centre if they want to join efforts. For more information:

<http://www.socialplatform.org/News.asp?DocID=17235> For a press release by the European Youth Forum: http://www.youthforum.org/Downloads/home/Declaration_EN.doc

Job Postings

Communications and Advocacy Officer (Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire).

The assignment period is two years, starting as soon as possible but at the latest September 1, 2008.

Due to the prevailing situation in Côte d'Ivoire the position is a non-family posting. For information on the post, visit: www.rb.se/eng/AboutUs/HowWeWork/ and then click on See our vacancies.

Deadline: **2 May 2008**

Internship/Stagiaire- EURONET

The European Children's Network recruits interns for a period of 6 months. We aim to provide interns with an opportunity to gain experience in a well-established children's rights network, and to gain greater understanding of advocacy and lobbying towards the European institutions.

The Logistics of the post:

Location: Brussels; Duration: 6 months; Starting Date: as soon as possible; Hours/Days per week: 5 days full-time; Languages: English and French; Remuneration: Unpaid

Job Description:

- Provide administrative and secretarial support to the office including filing, handling correspondence, answering routine enquiries, reorganising and updating contact and distribution lists;
- Make arrangements for meetings including management committee meetings and telephone conferences;
- Monitor Newsletters/Press Received/Events that correspond with Euronet objectives/action;
- Collaborate in writing and editing quarterly newsletter and monthly mailing;
- Participate where appropriate in NGO and EU meetings;
- To carry out other tasks as appropriate under the supervision of the Policy and Communications Officer and the Secretary General.

Profile:

- University degree in political or social science, international relations, European Union affairs, law, or related discipline
- Excellent office management and admin skills (administration, organisation, support, communication, filing)
- Strong computer skills: Website updating, Publisher, Excel, Outlook, Word, Powerpoint, etc.
- Extremely well-organised, flexible and with a strong interest in children's rights
- Ability to work independently and take on additional responsibilities when required
- Knowledge of EU institutions and of children's rights an asset.
- Native-level written and spoken English required, French an asset

To apply please send a CV and cover letter outlining your motivation and availability in English to: eupeanchildrennetwork@skynet.be using the subject line: "Application for Internship".

Deadline for applications: **5th May 2008**

Funding

Marie- Curie Scholarships (Specific programme: People)

Call for applications open. The European Commission has published the deadlines for submission of applications for Marie-Curie individual scholarships.

Applications for Intra European Fellowships (IEF), International Incoming Fellowships (IIF) as well as International Outgoing Fellowships (IOF) should be submitted by **August 19, 2008, 5 pm Brussels time**. For further information, please visit: <http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm>

Second call for proposals for Initial Training Networks (ITN) (Specific Programme: People)

At the moment the call has a budget of 185 Mio €, an increase is however possible.

Deadline for the submission of applications for Initial Training Networks is **September 2, 2008, 5 pm Brussels time**. ITNs are scientific networks, based on research projects who would like to set up a joint, structured training- and mobility programme for PhD students and (to a lesser extent) also for post- PhDs. The duration of such networks is 4 years. The posts for the young researchers in funded networks are advertised internationally and can be searched via this link:

http://ec.europa.eu/eracareers/index_en.cfm; <http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/>

Further information can be found on:

[http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=usersite.FP7DetailsCallPage&CALL_ID=121](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=usersite.FP7DetailsCallPage&CALL_ID=121;);
http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/people/home_en.html

Call for contributions final colloquium of the "European Year of Intercultural Dialogue"

During the French EU Council Presidency at the 17./18.th November 2008 a final colloquium of the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue will be held under the patronage of the European Commission in Paris. This event aims to establish a common understanding of the perception of intercultural dialogues in Europe. Further recommendations of action for a cultural and political strategy on EU-level are supposed to be compiled to encourage an intercultural dialogue within Europe and between the EU and the rest of the world. Contributions for the final colloquium should either deal with theoretical approaches to this issue or display analyses of best practice.

Deadline for papers: 30 April 2008.

For more information visit: <http://www.europa-foerdert-kultur.info/index.php>

DAAD (Germany) Subject-related partnerships with universities in developing countries

Subject related partnerships apply measures which give new impulses to academic co-operation through scientific collaboration with partner universities on an institutional or departmental level. Academic exchange to achieve an improvement of teaching quality and the development of sustainable structures in a range of apprenticeships should on one hand contribute to the strengthening of universities in developing countries, on the other hand it should also be of use for German HEIs: the involved scientists', postgraduates' and students' experiences advance the professional knowledge and sensitizes them for the handling of problems of developing countries.

The creation of a partnership project between a German HEI with two higher education institutions in the same or in different partner countries is welcomed, as networks of this character should be specially supported. Maximum amount of funding: 25.000 €/year per partnership (Duration: 4 years)

Further information: <http://www.daad.de/entwicklung>

Application deadline: annually till June 30th, Selections annually in October (start of funding in January the following year).

Upcoming Dates

15 April-15 July: Lecture Series on Children's Rights at the Freie Universität Berlin

30 April: Deadline application European Master in Children's Rights at the FU Berlin (www.fu-berlin.de/emcr)

30 April: Deadline submission of papers for contributing to final colloquium of European Year of Intercultural Dialogue

1 May: Deadline subscription to WWSF World Day for the Prevention of Child Abuse

2-3 May Seminar: Child without barriers. On the human right to be a child among children. (Darmstadt, Germany)

5 May: Deadline Fundamental Rights Programme (Transnational Action Grants)

7-9 May: Stop Child Trafficking International Congress (Spain)

15 May: Deadline Action 4 Erasmus Mundus

17 May: Deadline applications for MIDE and EMCR at IUKB

28-29 May: International Conference organised by the ICYRNet "Child and Youth Research in the 21st Century: A Critical Appraisal", Nicosia, Cyprus

11-13 June: "Better Future for Children Today" FICE 2008 Congress – 60 years of international co-operation for children in care, Helsinki, Finland.

16-18 June: ESF- Exploratory Workshop on Children's Participation in Public Decision making (Berlin); info: rbudde@ina-fu.org

18 June: General Assembly ENMCR (Berlin)

19 June: Final project meeting ENMCR-CD (Berlin)

30 June: Deadline application to DAAD for HEI partnerships between Germany and developing countries.

30 June - 4 July: 33rd global conference of the International Council on Social Welfare (ICSW), Tours, France.

1 July: Children's rights and participation conference (York, UK)

13-15 August: World Conference of Children's Playtowns (Berlin, Germany)

19 August: Deadline submission applications Marie Curie Fellowships (Specific Programme: People)

2 September: Deadline applications for Initial Training Networks (FRP 7)

15 September: Deadline ESF conferences 2010

17 September - 16 December: Course monitoring Children's Rights

19 September: Day of General Discussion (Geneva, committee on the Rights of the Child)

19 September: Swansea Conference

19-22 September : The Social Capital Foundation – Malta Conference

24-25 September: Educational Dilemmas in Culturally Diversified Societies (Conference in Warsaw)

29 September – 1 October: IFCW World Forum 2008 "Early Intervention and Prevention", Cardiff, Wales, UK (co-hosted by Children in Wales).

2 October: Eurochild Members' Exchange Seminar on "Child and Youth Participation", Cardiff, Wales, UK.

5-7 November: Eurochild annual conference (Budapest)

17-18 November: final colloquium of the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue

19 November: World Day for the Prevention of Child Abuse