

Enhancing Capacities for Child Participation

Wednesday, October 9th 2013, 14:00 – 18:00

Hatter Student Building, the University of Haifa

Scholars interested in Israeli children's rights, practitioners and policy makers are cordially invited to participate in an open session that will be part of an international retreat hosting senior researchers contributing book chapters on child participation. The international experts will sit in six roundtables according to their research fields and present their projects. Guests are welcome to select one roundtable where they can share their insights and experience about effective ways to enhance meaningful participation of children in public and private decision-making processes affecting their lives.

14:00 – 14:30 – Gathering and registration

14:30 – 14:45 – Greetings:

Prof. Gustavo Mesch, Dean, Faculty of Social Science, University of Haifa

Prof. Zvi Eisikovits, Chair, School of Criminology, University of Haifa

14:45 – 15:30 – Opening remarks:

Dr. Tali Gal, School of Criminology, University of Haifa

15:30 – 17:00 – Roundtable discussions – Making Children's Participation Meaningful

17:00 – 18:00 – Plenary and closing remarks:

Prof. Benedetta Faedi Duramy, Golden Gate University School of Law

The session will be held in English. Prior registration with indicated choice of specific roundtable is required:

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Retreat Academic Organizers:

Benedetta Faedi Duramy, Associate Professor, Golden Gate University School of Law

Tali Gal, Assistant Professor, the University of Haifa School of Criminology

This invitation constitutes a one-time entry and parking permit at the University of Haifa

Members of the International Expert Group will head six thematic roundtables:

Roundtable 1: Child Participation in Criminal Processes

Lynne Marry Kohm, Family Law Professor, Regent University School of Law, Virginia Beach: *Empowerment of Child Participation through Family Involvement in Justice: The Essence of Love and Respect*

Emily Buss, Professor of Law, University of Chicago Law School: *Court Reform in Juvenile Justice: Turning Juvenile Court Proceedings into an Opportunity for Positive Legal Socialization*

Roundtable 2: Child Participation in Protection Processes

Joan Pennell, Professor of Social Work and Director of the Center for Family and Community Engagement, North Carolina State University & **Jodi Hall**, Assistant Professor, North Carolina State University: *Child and Family Team Meetings and Restorative Justice for Foster Youth*

Sarah Gallagher, Head, Child Welfare Training Partnership, the University of Vermont: *Teens Experiences of Exclusion, Inclusion and Engagement in Child Protection and Youth Justice in Vermont*

Loren Walker, Instructor, University of Hawai'i Honolulu Community College: *Reentry & Transition Planning Circles for Incarcerated People: Helping Youth Heal*

Roundtable 3: Child Participation in Special Education

Mona Paré, Assistant professor and Vice-Dean Research, the University of Ottawa Faculty of Law: *Inclusion and Participation in Special Education Processes in Canada*

Eran Uziely, Lecturer, Special Education Teachers Program, Achva Academic College of Education: *Implementing the Participation Principle: Students' Participation in Placement Committees*

Roundtable 4: Children's Participation in Policy Making and Research

Kay Tisdall, Professor of Childhood Policy, the University of Edinburgh: *Children and Young People's Participation: Time, space and place*

Chelsea Marshall, Centre for Children's Rights, School of Education, Queen's University Belfast: *Participation in Policy-Making: Reflections from Children, Young People and Duty-Bearers*

Nigel Thomas, Professor of Childhood and Youth Research, the University of Central Lancashire: *Children and Young People's Participation in Research*

Roundtable 5: Child Participation in Court Proceedings

Tamar Morag, Senior Lecturer, COLMAN Law School, Rishon LeZion, and Adjunct Professor, Hebrew University Faculty of Law, & **Yoa Sorek**, Researcher, Myers-JDC-Brookdale Institute: *Child Participation in Family Courts in Israel: an Account of an Ongoing Learning Process*
Nickolas Bala, Law Professor, Queen's University, Kingston, **Francine Cyr**, Professor of Psychology, the Université de Montréal, & **Rachel Birnbaum**, Associate Professor, Childhood Studies & Social Work, King's University College – Western University London, Ontario: *Judicial Interviewing of Children: Promoting the Rights & Interests of Children*

Roundtable 6: Child Participation in Family Crises

Judith Cashmore, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Sydney: *Developing Understandings of Children, Childhood and Participation within Family Services: Insights from a Large-Scale Action Research Project*
Aisling Parkes, Lecturer in Child, Family and Disability Law, University College Cork: *Implementation of Article 12 CRC in Practice: Lessons Learned and Messages for Going Forward*



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