









Access to justice for migrant children in the EU

Wednesday, 25 April 2018, 12:00-14:00 Room ASP A5G1, European Parliament, Brussels

Migrant children in the EU face violations of their human rights every day. Lack of access to their families, to information, guardians and legal assistance, lack of access to housing or education, unlawful detention - are few examples of what the children suffer.

The International Commission of Jurists – European Institutions (ICJ-EI) invites you to a final event of the FAIR project (Fostering Access to justice for Immigrant children's Rights). The panel discussion will include specific cases that national lawyers are dealing with in Italy, Spain, Greece, Bulgaria, Malta, Germany and Ireland, on behalf of migrant children.

AGENDA:

1. Challenges to access to justice for migrant children in the EU (12:00-13:00)

Video from the FAIR project

Cecilia Wikström, Member of the European Parliament, ALDE - Introduction, setting the EU legislative framework

Ulrike Schwarz, B-umF (Germany) - Access to family life in Germany for subsidiary protection beneficiaries

Julien Makalu, engineering student, former unaccompanied migrant child in Greece -Experience with accessing his rights as a child in Greece, detention, access to legal assistance, guardianship

Elena Rozzi, ASGI (Italy) - Reception conditions in Italy, the future of the CEAS for children

Jean Lambert, Member of the European Parliament, Greens/EFA

Chaired by: Karolína Babická, International Commission of Jurists

Discussion

2. The ways forward (13:00-14:00)

Alexandros Konstantinou, Greek Council for Refugees - Situation of minors in Greece today

Catherine Cosgrave, Immigrant Council of Ireland - Ireland: Direct provision, access to citizenship

Ilaria Paolazzi, Child Rights Connect - The latest developments from the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child

Margaret Tuite, DG Justice, European Commission Tanja Fajon, Member of the European Parliament, S&D

Chaired by: Róisín Pillay, International Commission of Jurists

Discussion

