Children’s Access to Justice in Practice: The Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a Communications Procedure (OP3)

Online Webinar series 2021-2022

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Access to justice for children and the OP3
Speakers
- Ms. Mikiko Otani, Chair UN Committee on the Rights of the Child (Japan)
- Prof. Ton Liefaard, Leiden University (the Netherlands)

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Session 2
Lessons learned on admissibility under the OP3
Speakers
- Prof. Ursula Kilkelly, University of Cork (Ireland)
- Prof. Jaap Doek, Leiden University

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Session 3
Standard setting under the OP3: trends and ramifications for migrant children
Speakers
- Prof. Sriprapha Petcharamesree, Mahidol University (Thailand)
- Prof. Pablo Ceriani, Universidad Nacional de Lanús (Argentina)

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Session 4
The role of children in access to justice: the OP3 as an empowering tool
Speakers
- Prof. Aoife Nolan, University of Nottingham (United Kingdom)
- Ms Karabo Ozah, Deputy Director, Centre for Child Law (South Africa)

Thursday 17 February 2022
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Session 5
Creating change through remedies and the OP3
Speakers
- Prof. Ann Skelton, University of Pretoria, member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child (South Africa)
- Prof. Alex Conte, Executive Director, Child Rights Connect (Switzerland)

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Session 6
The future of the OP3 and its potential added value in Latin America
Speakers
- Ms Margarita Griesbach, Oficina de Defensoria de los Derechos de la Infancia-ODI (Mexico)
- Mr Luis Pedernera, Lawyer, Member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child and the Institute of Legal and Social Studies of Uruguay (Uruguay)
- Mr Leo Ratledge, Legal & Policy Director at Child Rights International Network (United Kingdom)

Thursday 21 April 2022
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