

At the 16th session of the Human Rights Council, the Permanent Mission of Finland

cordially invites you to a side-event on:

Children on the move in street situations:

Challenges and promising practices of protecting and supporting children living and/or working on the street in the context of migration and other forms of movement



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12:00-14:00 room XXIV, Palais des Nations

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Many children living and/or working on the street are on the move.

All children on the move should have their rights as children respected and promoted, including their right to be heard and to take part in decision-making, to be protected and to receive assistance as children.

Speakers:

H.E. Mr. Hannu Himanen, Permanent Representative of Finland (Chair)

Sally Shire, Chief Executive, Consortium for Street Children: introduction and background

Eva Biaudet, Ombudsman for Minorities in Finland: protecting the rights of the child to prevent trafficking and sale of children in Europe

Sarah Di Giglio, Save the Children Italy: unaccompanied and separated children living on the street in Europe – addressing the protection needs of Afghan children

Philip Ewert, Operations Director, World Vision Albania and Kosovo: vulnerable children on the move living and/or working on the street – Roma children living and/or working on the street in Albania

Nadya Kassam, Head of Global Advocacy, Plan International: street children, birth registration and IDP children

Mirela Shuteriqi, Resource Person on Anti-trafficking, TDHIF: regional solutions to addressing the needs of children on the move working and/or living on the street – joint TDHIF/Save the Children/Plan/UNICEF/ILO/IOM/MAEJT project in West Africa

Najat M'jid Maalla, Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography: conclusions and ways forward

The side event will have the format of a round table, with priority given to the interaction amongst the speakers and between the speakers and the floor. Presentations will be spontaneous and interactive, and will also use videos and material produced by children themselves.