

Side Event and Report Launch

Children are Children First and Foremost: Protecting Child Rights in Migration Contexts

About

This Side Event is being co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Mexico and Greece to the United Nations in New York, The UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants, Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to provide an opportunity for States, UN agencies and civil society organizations to engage in an interactive discussion with the Special Rapporteur and other high-level speakers regarding his report "Children are children first: Protecting child rights in migration contexts" (A/79/213).

The Side Event will take place on the margins of the UN General Assembly's 79th Regular Session (UNGA79) and provide an opportunity to highlight key recommendations and promising practices to protect the rights of children in migration contexts, including a focus on two priority actions identified by the Special Rapporteur:


- Facilitating and expanding access to family reunification
- Preventing and responding to statelessness


Moderator

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 Tuesday, 22 October 2024

 10:00am - 11:30am (EST)

 UNHQ Conference Room 8

Register here:

supportkind.org/RSVPOct22

For more information:

supportkind.org/UNGA79

Speakers

H.E. Héctor Enrique Vasconcelos y Cruz
Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations

H.E. Evangelos Sekeris
Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations

Gehad Madi
United Nations Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

Dr. Najat Maalla M'jid
Special Representative of the Secretary General on Violence against Children

Ben Lewis
Senior Advisor for Global Advocacy, Kids in Need of Defense (KIND)

Bhaskar Mishra
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