



## CFJ-EN Annual Seminar 2024

### Climate (in)justice for children - How Climate Change Affects Children's Access to Justice

Location: U-Residence - VUB Main Campus Etterbeek  
Pleinlaan 2 / Bd de la Plaine 2 - 1050 Brussels

## AGENDA

WEDNESDAY 9 OCTOBER (OPTIONAL)

Venue: Cinéma Aventure (Rue des Fripiers 15, Galerie du Centre 57 Bloc II - 1000 Brussels)

19h00 – 21h00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cine-debate</b></p> <p>Screening of the <a href="#">Documentary Planet B</a>, followed by a debate with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Pieter Van Eecke</b>, Film Director</li> <li>- <b>Bo Vanhoorickx</b>, Film protagonist</li> <li>- <b>Elisa Morgera</b>, UN Special Rapporteur on Climate Change and Human Rights</li> </ul> <p><i>Moderation:</i> <b>Nantina Tsekeri</b>, Vice-Chair, Child Friendly Justice - European Network, Greece</p>
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THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER

Venue: U-Residence (VUB Main Campus Etterbeek - Pleinlaan 2 / Bd de la Plaine 2 - 1050 Brussels)

8h30 – 9h15	<b>Registration &amp; Welcoming Participants</b>
9h15 – 9h30 RIO ROOM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Opening words</b></p> <p><i>Moderation:</i> <b>Mariama Diallo</b>, Coordinator, Child Friendly Justice - European Network, Belgium</p> <p><b>Benoît Van Keirsbilck</b>, President, Child Friendly Justice European Network &amp; Member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child, Belgium</p> <p><b>Marta Gil</b>, Deputy Head Justice Programmes, Terre des hommes Foundation, Switzerland</p> <p><b>Els Dumortier</b>, Professor in Youth Criminology, Vrije Universiteit Belgium</p>
9h30 – 9h45 RIO ROOM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Opening Address</b></p> <p><b>Emilio Puccio</b>, Secretary General of the European Parliament Intergroup on Children's Rights</p> <p><b>Ann Skelton</b>, Chair, United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child (video message)</p>
9h45 – 10h15 RIO ROOM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Setting the Scene</b></p> <p><i>Moderation:</i> <b>Mariama Diallo</b>, Coordinator, Child Friendly Justice - European Network, Belgium</p> <p><b>Elisa Morgera</b>, UN Special Rapporteur on Climate Change and Human Rights, Professor of Global Environmental Law at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow (UK) and Adjunct Professor in International and European Union Environmental Law at the University of Eastern Finland</p> <p><b>Oskar Bonte</b>, Young Climate Activist, Belgium</p> <p><b>Benjamin Van Bunderen Robberechts</b>, Young Climate Activist, Belgium</p>



<p>10h15 – 11h15 RIO ROOM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thematic Plenary #1: State of Play in Europe – The Impact of Climate Change on Children’s Rights</b></p> <p><i>Moderation:</i> <b>Marine Braun</b>, Child Rights Expert, Portugal</p> <p><b>Marie-Cécile Rouillon</b>, Coordinator on the Rights of the Child, European Commission <b>Regina Jensdottir</b>, Head of Children’s Rights Division, Council of Europe <b>Elisa Morgera</b>, UN Special Rapporteur on Climate Change and Human Rights, Professor of Global Environmental Law at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow (UK) and Adjunct Professor in International and European Union Environmental Law at the University of Eastern Finland <b>Oskar Bonte</b>, Young Climate Activist, Belgium <b>Gábor Kiss</b>, Young Climate Activist, Hungary <b>Benjamin Van Bunderen Robberechts</b>, Young Climate Activist, Belgium</p>
<p>11h15 – 11h45</p>	<p><i>Coffee/Tea Break</i></p>
<p>11h45 – 13h00 RIO ROOM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thematic Plenary #2 The Legitimacy of Children in Defending their Rights</b></p> <p><i>Moderation:</i> <b>Judit Geller</b>, Human Rights lawyer, PILnet, Global Network for Public Interest Law, Hungary</p> <p><b>Aoife Daly</b>, Professor of Law, Cork University, Ireland <b>Michaela Krömer</b>, Climate lawyer, Krömer, Austria <b>Gerry Liston</b>, Climate Lawyer, Global Legal Action Network, United Kingdom <b>Martim Aghostino</b>, Young Climate Activist, Portugal <b>Cláudia Duarte</b>, Young Climate Activist, Portugal</p>
<p>13h00 – 14h15</p>	<p><i>Lunch Break</i></p>
<p>14h15 – 15h35</p> <p>PARIS ROOM</p> <p>RIO ROOM</p> <p>KYOTO ROOM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Workshop Sessions</b></p> <p><b>W1 - Mainstreaming children's rights through environmental law and legal practice</b>   Kata Dozsa   VUB, ENRICH project</p> <p><b>W2 - Youth Climate Justice: Children and Youth as Rights Leaders in the Climate Crisis</b>   Aoife Daly, Florencia Paz Landeira, Nabin Maharjan   YCJ Project, University College Cork</p>



<b>AARHUS ROOM</b>	<p><b>W3 - Beyond the Margins: Integrating Climate Change into Justice Responses for Children in Conflict with the Law</b>   Donna McEwan, Fiona Dyer   Centre for Youth &amp; Criminal Justice (CYCJ) University of Strathclyde</p> <p><b>W4 - Empowering Children and Young People through Children's Rights and Climate Education: The Inclusive Best Practice of a Youth-Led Organisation in Hungary</b>   Fanni Mátyók   WellBee</p>
15h35 – 16h	Coffee/Tea Break
16h – 17h30 <b>RIO ROOM</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thematic Plenary #3</b> <b>Enabling Environments for Children to Claim their Rights</b></p> <p><i>Moderation:</i> <b>Sabrina Cajoly</b>, International Human Rights Lawyer &amp; Child Rights Expert, France</p> <p><b>Els Dumortier</b>, Professor of Youth Criminology, Vrije Universiteit Belgium  <b>Kata Dozsa</b>, Senior Associate Researcher and Adjunct Professor, Vrije Universiteit Belgium  <b>Caroline Vrijens</b>, Flemish Children's Rights Commissioner, Chair of the European Network of Ombudspersons for children, Belgium  <b>Gábor Kiss</b>, Young Climate Activist, Hungary  <b>Ioana Mihailescu</b>, Young Climate Activist, Romania</p>
17h30 – 17h45 <b>RIO ROOM</b>	<b>Wrap-up of the day</b>

**THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER (OPTIONAL)**

**Venue: Baker McKenzie (Manhattan building (22nd floor), Avenue du Boulevard 21, 1210 Brussels)**

19h30 – 23h00	<b>Networking Dinner</b>
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**FRIDAY 11 OCTOBER**
**Venue: U-Residence (VUB Main Campus Etterbeek - Pleinlaan 2 / Bd de la Plaine 2 - 1050 Brussels)**

8h30 – 9h00	<b>Welcoming Participants</b>
9h00 – 10h30	<b>Workshop Sessions</b>
<b>RIO ROOM</b>	<b>W5 - Empowering Young Voices: Advancing Child Justice in the Climate Crisis</b>   Giulia Patane, Angela Vigil, Judit Geller, Cedric Foussard, Fiona Dyers   PILnet
<b>PARIS ROOM</b>	<b>W6 - Once upon a time... Environmental restorative justice through storytelling</b>   Marianna Dimou, Olga Ziori
<b>KYOTO ROOM</b>	<b>W7 - Children's Rights to Access Justice in Climate Change Litigations: Procedural Issues</b>   Clara Pastorino, Laura Carpaneto, Francesca Maoli   University of Genoa
9h30 – 11h30 <b>AARHUS ROOM</b>	<p><b>Parallel Workshop Session</b>  <b>W8 - Children &amp; Young People talk Climate Justice</b>          (workshop by invitation only)</p> <p><b>Martim Agostinho</b>, Young Climate Activist, Portugal  <b>Oskar Bonte</b>, Young Climate Activist, Belgium  <b>Cláudia Duarte</b>, Young Climate Activist, Portugal  <b>Gábor Kiss</b>, Young Climate Activist, Hungary  <b>Ioana Mihailescu</b>, Young Climate Activist, Romania  <b>Benjamin Van Bunderen Robberechts</b>, Young Climate Activist, Belgium          Students from the Social Sciences class at the NESPA Secondary School in Genappe, Belgium</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>With the support of UNICEF Belgium</i></p>
10h30 – 11h00	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
11h00 – 12h30 <b>RIO ROOM</b>	<p><b>Thematic Plenary #4</b>  <b>Embracing Children's Diverse Profiles and Situations in Addressing Climate Justice</b></p> <p><i>Moderation:</i>  <b>Cédric Foussard</b>, Global Advisor on Justice with Children, Terre des hommes Foundation, Switzerland  <b>Angela Vigil</b>, Pro Bono Partner and Executive Director of Global Pro Bono, Baker &amp; McKenzie LLP</p>



	<p><b>Sophie Shields</b>, Policy &amp; Impact Specialist, The Institute for Inspiring Children's Futures at the University of Strathclyde, Scotland</p> <p><b>Astrid Podsiadlowski</b>, Project Manager on Rights of the Child, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights</p> <p><b>Aysegul Sukran Öz</b>, Project Officer, Validity Foundation, Hungary</p> <p><b>Olivia Rope</b>, Director, Penal Reform International, Belgium</p>
<p>12h30 – 13h00 RIO ROOM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Closing Plenary &amp; Key Take-Aways</b></p> <p><i>Moderation:</i> <b>Mariama Diallo</b>, Coordinator, Child Friendly Justice - European Network, Belgium</p> <p><b>Nantina Tsekeri</b>, Vice-President CFJ-EN, Greece  <b>Maria João Leote de Carvalho</b>, Researcher, FCSH CICS-Nova, Portugal  <b>Martim Agostinho</b>, Young Climate Activist, Portugal  <b>Oskar Bonte</b>, Young Climate Activist, Belgium  <b>Cláudia Duarte</b>, Young Climate Activist, Portugal  <b>Gábor Kiss</b>, Young Climate Activist, Hungary  <b>Ioana Mihailescu</b>, Young Climate Activist, Romania  <b>Benjamin Van Bunderen Robberechts</b>, Young Climate Activist, Belgium</p>

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