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THE WELLBEING OF THE CHILD: PROMOTION - PROTECTION - RIGHTS

STUDIUM FUNDAMENTALE | WEDNESDAYS 14:00 - 16:00

14 OCTOBER 2026

Introduction

Yeshica Umaña LLB, JCL / Dr. Wolter Seuntjens

21 OCTOBER 2026

Convention on the Rights of the Child

Prof. Dr. Benyam Mezmur | Committee on the Rights of the Child

28 OCTOBER 2026

Corporal Punishment Bans and Children's Perceptions of Wellbeing

Dr.Garrett Pace | University of Nevada, Las Vegas, USA

4 NOVEMBER 2026

Child Victims of Crime. Right to Access to Justice in a Child-centred Justice System

Yeshica Umaña LLB, JCL | University of Erfurt

11 NOVEMBER 2026

Childhood and Adolescent Exposure to Online Extremist Content

Dr. David Yuzva Clement | Carleton University's School of Social Work, Canada

18 NOVEMBER 2026

Effective Child Safeguarding Practices During War

Khrystyna Shabat | Head of Child Dignity Center at Ukrainian Catholic University

25 NOVEMBER 2026

Child Protection Through Empowerment: A Grassroots Approach to Ending Violence against Children

Ibrahim Bangura | Future Leaders Initiative Sierra Leone

2 DECEMBER 2026

Participation of Young People in Public Decisions and Decision- Making in Germany

Dr. Robert Böttner LL.M. | Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg/Sebastian Mech, PhD Researcher | University of Gießen

09 DECEMBER 2026

Developing a Culture of Safeguarding in the Loss of Social Trust

Sr. Dr. Nuala Patricia Kenny | Sisters of Charity of Halifax, Canada

16 DECEMBER 2026

Health Behaviors and Social Determinants of Health in Children and Adolescents

Dr. Debo Collins Adeyanju | University of Erfurt

6 JANUARY 2027

Kids, Teens and Social Media:
A Global Problem with Local Solutions

Dr. Gwenn O'Keeffe | Mediator and Digital Health Expert, USA

13 JANUARY 2027

Robust Theologies of Childhood and Child Protection

Prof. Dr. Marcia J. Bunge | Gustavus Adolphus College, USA, North-West University, South Africa

20 JANUARY 2027

Immigrant Students in the Nordic Model of Education. A Danish History of Policy and Practice

Prof. Dr. Mette Buchardt | Aalborg University, Denmark

27 JANUARY 2027

Accelerating Climate Solutions: The Most Urgent Child Protection Measure of our Time

Frederique Seidel | World Council of Churches

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