



Newsletter on Children's rights – Global

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Global - UN: Environmental Emergency Undermines Children's Rights

1st July - Governments around the world should place children's rights at the heart of environmental policies and action, 24 organizations and experts said today. They are publishing a Call to Action as governments gather for the United Nations Human Rights Council's annual meeting on the rights of the child.

Human Rights Watch – [Full article](#)



France – Le Parlement adopte définitivement la « loi anti-fessée »

2 juillet - La proposition de loi, votée au Sénat, signe la fin du droit de correction, hérité du XIXe siècle et qui est encore invoqué dans la jurisprudence. Les sénateurs ont voté, mardi 2 juillet, la proposition de loi de la députée (MoDem) du Val-de-Marne Maud Petit interdisant les « violences éducatives ordinaires ». Soit l'éradication de toute pratique en la matière « basée sur la peur, la douleur et la sidération de l'enfant », selon le médecin généraliste Gilles Lazimi, à la pointe du combat contre ces violences ordinaires.

Le Monde – [Article complet](#)

Global – Post-COVID : près de 10 millions d'enfants risquent de ne jamais retourner à l'école

12 juillet - Jusqu'à près de 10 millions d'enfants dans le monde pourraient ne jamais retourner à l'école après le confinement en raison des conséquences économiques de la pandémie de nouveau coronavirus, affirme lundi l'ONG britannique Save the Children. (...) l'association, qui appelle gouvernements et donateurs à agir face à cette « urgence éducative mondiale », estime que jusqu'à près de 9,7 millions d'élèves risquent de quitter les bancs de l'école pour toujours d'ici à la fin de l'année.

Le Droit – [Article complet](#)

European Union – Solidarity on Migrant Children in Greece Could Change Lives

7th July – On April 15, Luxembourg became the first European country to welcome asylum-seeking children, 12 girls and boys, from the Greek islands. And on April 16, 47 children arrived in Germany. These children were the first to be covered by an EU plan to move unaccompanied asylum-seeking children from Greece's overcrowded and dangerous camps, to safety in other European countries. If the plan works, at least 1,600 children in need of protection can be offered a new life.

Human Rights Watch – [Full article](#)

European Union – EU leaders urged to tackle child poverty in EU recovery plan and budget

13rd July – Unfortunately, the pandemic and the lockdown has exacerbated social inequalities. School closures, social distancing and confinement have increased, among others, the risk of poor nutrition among children, the risk of domestic violence and reduced access to vital family



and care services. Children already disadvantaged before the crisis by poverty, migration status or difficult home environments have suffered most during lockdown.

Euractiv – [Full article](#)

European Union – Joint Position Paper in the Upcoming Childs Rights Strategy

16th July – Commission President Ursula Von Der Leyen has entrusted Vice President for Democracy and Demography to launch a comprehensive Child Rights Strategy. The upcoming Child Rights Strategy is expected to be launched at the beginning of 2021. Terre des Hommes International Federation and partners of the Child Rights Action Group together with Unicef developed the joint position paper on a comprehensive Child Rights Strategy.

Terre des Hommes – [Full article](#)

European Union – Delivering on a Security Union: initiatives to fight child sexual abuse, drugs and illegal firearms

24th July – Today the Commission is presenting 3 immediate initiatives to implement the Security Union Strategy: an EU strategy for a more effective fight against child abuse; a new EU Agenda and Action Plan on Drugs and an EU Action Plan on firearms trafficking. These threats all require resolute EU-level action as they are cross-border in nature and active both online and offline. They have also been worsened by the coronavirus pandemic, particularly child sexual abuse, demonstrably exacerbated by physical isolation and increased online activity.

European Commission – [Full article](#)

Europe – L'Europe face aux violences faites aux enfants

7 juillet – D'après l'Organisation mondiale de la santé, 55 millions d'enfants et d'adolescents souffrent de maltraitance en Europe. Et derrière ce mot "maltraitance", se cachent des réalités multiples, des affaires qui défraient la chronique, de la France à l'Italie ou à la Suisse.

Rfi – [Article complet](#)

Greece - New education centre offers hope to refugee children on Greek island

23rd July - For vulnerable children on the Greek island of Lesbos, school isn't just a place of learning. It's a safe space away from the overcrowded conditions they endure in the Moria refugee camp. So there were plenty of excited smiles this week when the Tapuat non-formal education centre opened a second building, thanks to support from Theirworld. The centre -



whose other building is also open after being closed during the global schools shutdown - can now provide lessons and play opportunities to hundreds of children.

Theirworld – [Full article](#)

Global – covid-19 pushed victims of child trafficking and exploitation into further isolation: save the children

29th July – Children make up a quarter of all victims of trafficking or exploitation, with the COVID-19 pandemic isolating victims further and making it even harder to reach them, a new report by Save the Children said today.

Save the children – [Full article](#)

Global – Journée mondiale contre la traite d'êtres humains. L'affaire de tous !

29 juillet – La traite des personnes est un crime qui touche les femmes, les enfants et les hommes dans de nombreux contextes. Le monde du sport, notamment le football, n'est pas épargné par ce problème. Chaque année, des individus peu scrupuleux profitent de la naïveté de milliers de jeunes gens originaires d'Afrique, d'Asie et d'Amérique du Sud, en leur faisant miroiter une carrière en Europe.

FIFA – [Full article](#)

Global – Joint WFP and UNICEF Multisectoral Checklist for School Reopening and School based Nutrition in the context of COVID-19

30th July - This document has been developed by WFP and UNICEF Eastern and Southern Africa Regional Offices and provides a non-exhaustive list of recommended multi-sectoral actions for Government, UNICEF, WFP and other partners to consider as part of their short and longer-term planning for and implementation of school reopening. Part one of this checklist is focused on key nutrition actions, with part two focusing on child protection, WASH, education and health actions.

World Food Programme - [Full article](#)



Pakistan – Pakistan Invests \$400 Million to Manage the Locust Outbreak and Respond to School Disruptions Due to COVID-19

31st July – The World Bank’s Executive Directors approved two projects for \$400 million in concessional financing from the International Development Association to support Pakistan’s interventions to reduce food insecurity from the outbreak of locusts and measures to restore education for schools closed due to COVID-19. This financing includes \$200 million for the Locust Emergency and Food Security Project and \$200 million for the Actions to Strengthen Performance for Inclusive and Responsive Education Program.

The World Bank Group - [Full article](#)

Thailand – To catch an online predator

31st July – An increase in young children falling prey to paedophiles on the internet amid pandemic fuels concern for an overburdened task force. Over the past two months, the TICAC has rescued over 100 children from online cybersex predators, a considerable spike when compared to the total of 53 underage victims that the TICAC rescued from online sexual abuse in the whole of 2018, which at that time was the highest annual figure since the organisation was created in 2016.

Bangkok Post - [Full article](#)