

# CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE



## IAMCR 2016 Pre-conference

26-27 July, 2016

London School of Economics and Political Science, London

## Programme



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## About the conference

*Concerns that children's rights are being newly infringed rather than enhanced in the digital age are often raised by researchers, child rights' advocates, and internet governance experts. Children's needs and experiences in the digital age are often neglected in high-level debates about global internet provision and governance and children's rights are treated as a minority interest and seen as demanding exceptional treatment from adult society.*

*Further, current debates frequently emphasise the risks children potentially face online and underline their right to protection but much less debate focuses on children's provision and participation rights and the opportunities children may encounter online.*

*The conference seeks to unpack the ways digital media intersect – both positively and negatively – with children's rights today and to reflect on how children's rights might provide a meaningful counterpoint from which to consider the role of 'the digital' in advancing human rights more broadly.*

**Convenors:** Sonia Livingstone, Amanda Third, and Mariya Stoilova

**Conference programme and abstracts:**  
<http://goo.gl/jxsAE2>

**Twitter:** #GlobalKidsOnline  
#LSEChildRights

**Conference registration:**  
<http://goo.gl/eWCkSC>

## Tuesday 26 July - Overview

13.00-14.00	<b>Registration</b> – Shaw Library, Old building
14.00-14.30	<b>Welcome</b> – Sonia Livingstone <b>Opening plenary:</b> <i>Children's Rights to Opportunities and Participation in the Digital Age</i> – Amanda Third Chair: Sonia Livingstone
14.45-15.55	<b>Parallel sessions I</b> (see programme)
15.55-16.25	Break
16.25-17.35	<b>Parallel sessions II</b> (see programme)
17.45-18.45	<b>Evening plenary:</b> <i>Global Kids Online</i> – Jasmina Byrne & Sonia Livingstone Respondents: Magdalena Aguilar, Steve Black & Jenny Thomas Chair: David Miles
18.45-20.00	Wine reception – Shaw Library
20.00	Optional dinner (off site)

## Wednesday 27 July - Overview

9.00-9.30	Breakfast – Shaw Library
9.30-10.40	<b>Parallel sessions III</b> (see programme)
10.40-11.10	Break
11.10-12.20	<b>Parallel sessions IV</b> (see programme)
12.30-13.00	<b>Final plenary</b> Rapporteurs: Eva Lievens, Fabio Senne & Mariya Stoilova Chair: Sonia Livingstone

## Opening plenary

**Speaker:** Amanda Third (Western Sydney University and Young and Well Cooperative Research Centre)

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**Chair:** Sonia Livingstone (London School of Economics and Political Science, LSE)

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## Global Kids Online Plenary

**Speakers:** Jasmina Byrne (UNICEF Office of Research - Innocenti)  
Sonia Livingstone (LSE)

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**Respondents:** Magdalena Aguilar (Child Helpline International)  
Steve Black (We Protect)  
Jenny Thomas (Child Rights International Network)

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**Chair:** David Miles (Child Online Protection)

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Jasmina Byrne and Sonia Livingstone will present the Global Kids Online project, research toolkit and early findings, part of the WeProtect initiative. The plenary will focus on the challenges of gathering global evidence on children’s and young people’s online risk and opportunities and will identify good examples for guiding national and international policy and practice.

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## Final plenary

**Rapporteurs:** Eva Lievens (Ghent University)  
Fabio Senne (Brazilian Network Information Centre)  
Mariya Stoilova (LSE)

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**Chair:** Sonia Livingstone (LSE)

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The final plenary will offer some concluding points from the topics discussed during the conference. It will engage with several key themes: the interface between research with children and the wider legal/regulatory environment in terms of advancing children’s rights in the digital age; the relation between research developed in the global North and research now needed in the global South, in terms of diversifying and deepening the evidence base; interdisciplinarity and multimethod approaches – where are the existing strengths in the field and where is theory or method in need of strengthening.

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**Day 1: Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2016**  
*Location: Old Building, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)*

13.00-14.00	<p><b>Registration</b>  <i>Shaw Library, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, Old Building</i></p>		
14.00-14.30	<p><b>Welcome:</b> Sonia Livingstone (London School of Economics and Political Science, LSE)  <b>Opening plenary: Children’s Rights to Opportunities and Participation in the Digital Age</b>  <b>Speaker:</b> Amanda Third (Western Sydney University &amp; The Young and Well Cooperative Research Centre)  <b>Chair:</b> Sonia Livingstone (LSE)  <i>Shaw Library, 6<sup>th</sup> floor</i></p>		
14.45-15.55	<b>Parallel sessions I</b>		
	<p><b>Session 1: Children's voice and agency</b>  <i>Vera Anstey Room (VAR), 1<sup>st</sup> floor</i>  <b>Philippa Collin</b> – Chair  <b>Gitte Stald</b> – Children as digital rights agents  <b>Klaus Thestrup</b> – SMALL STEPS - how to be a digital world citizen?  <b>Smiljana Simeunovic Frick</b> – Challenge accepted: web-portal for children's participation in the Convention for the Children’s Rights monitoring in Moldova</p>	<p><b>Session 2: Child protection from online risks</b>  <i>Graham Wallace Room (AGWR), 5<sup>th</sup> floor</i>  <b>Milda Macenaite</b> – Chair  <b>Lelia Green and Donell Holloway</b> – What rights do young people have to explore sexually explicit materials?  <b>Martina Cirbusová</b> – Protecting children from unwanted information  <b>James Marsh</b> – Full restitution for child pornography victims: the Supreme Court’s Paroline decision and the need for a congressional response</p>	<p><b>Session 3: Rethinking children's rights</b>  <i>Room 3.21, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor</i>  <b>Lidia Marôpo</b> – Chair  <b>Elisabeth Staksrud</b> – Which is more important for people – freedom of expression or protecting children from unwanted media content?  <b>Uwe Hasebrink and Claudia Lampert</b> – Content   contract   contact   conduct: translating a risks and opportunities classification into a children’s rights framework  <b>Gerard Goggin and Meryl Alper</b> – Disability, children, and new challenges to digital policy and human rights</p>
15.55-16.25	<p><b>Break</b>  <i>Shaw Library, 6<sup>th</sup> floor</i></p>		

16.25-17.35	<b>Parallel sessions II</b>		
	<p><b>Session 4: Online civic participation</b>  <i>Vera Anstey Room (VAR), 1<sup>st</sup> floor</i>  <b>Anthea Henderson</b> – Chair</p> <p><b>Xin Zeng and Fen Xiang</b> – Chinese young citizens’ emerging media practices and political engagement</p> <p><b>Renata Souza, Andrea Medrado and Adilson Cabral</b> – Online activism by Rio’s favela youth: technology appropriation and surveillance</p> <p><b>Philippa Collin</b> - ‘No Right of Way’: institutional barriers to enacting children’s rights in a digital age</p>	<p><b>Session 5: Online privacy challenges</b>  <i>Graham Wallace Room (AGWR), 5<sup>th</sup> floor</i>  <b>Tijana Milosevic</b> – Chair</p> <p><b>Máire Messenger Davies and Brigit Morris</b>– Children’s rights to privacy in an age of digital media: a comparison between press codes from around the world</p> <p><b>Milda Macenaite</b> – Children’s right to privacy in the digital age: the new interpretation of an old right</p> <p><b>Lidia Marôpo, Ana Jorge, Inês Vitorino Sampaio and Raiana de Carvalho</b> – Digital rights and young people with cancer: perspectives from Portugal and Brazil</p>	<p><b>Session 6: Rights to digital literacies</b>  <i>Room 3.21, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor</i>  <b>Gerard Goggin</b> – Chair</p> <p><b>Toshie Takahashi</b> – Preparing the young for Japan’s global future: opportunities in digital literacy</p> <p><b>Sara Pereira</b> – Teenagers’ transmedia practices: Portuguese preliminary results from the ‘Transliteracy’ European study</p> <p><b>Conceicao Costa, José Rogado and Carla Sousa</b> – Inside the “black-box”: children rights in the digital age</p>
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18.45-20.00	<p><b>Wine reception</b>  <i>Shaw Library, 6<sup>th</sup> floor</i></p>		
20.00	<p><b>Optional dinner</b>  <i>The Old Bank of England (self-paid)</i></p>		

**Day 2: Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2016**  
*Location: Old Building, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)*

9.00-9.30	<p><b>Breakfast</b>  <i>Shaw Library, 6<sup>th</sup> floor</i></p>		
9.30-10.40	<p><b>Parallel sessions III</b></p>		
	<p><b>Session 7: Inequalities and digital divides</b>  <i>Vera Anstey Room (VAR), 1<sup>st</sup> floor</i>  <b>Sara Pereira</b> – Chair  <b>Fabio Senne and Maria Eugenia Sozio</b> – Addressing the digital divide: internet access and children’s online opportunities in Brazil  <b>Monica Barbovschi and Tatiana Jereissati</b> – Gender representations and ICT among Brazilian youth in the context of children’s rights, reflections from a qualitative investigation</p>	<p><b>Session 8: Migration and belonging</b>  <i>Graham Wallace Room (AGWR), 5<sup>th</sup> floor</i>  <b>Elisabeth Staksrud</b> – Chair  <b>Lisa Trujillo</b> – Exploring unaccompanied refugee minors’ access to and experiences with digital media: a qualitative exploratory case study in Berlin  <b>Nadia Kutscher and Lisa-Marie Kreß</b> – Contexts and contradictions of digital children’s rights of unaccompanied minor refugees</p>	<p><b>Session 9: Parenting and rights in the digital age</b>  <i>Room 3.21, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor</i>  <b>Toshie Takahashi</b> – Chair  <b>Sonia Livingstone and Alicia Blum-Ross</b> – Children’s digital rights: negotiating parental responsibilities in the digital age  <b>Bojana Lobe, Anca Velicu, Michael Dreier, Stephane Chaudron, Monica Gemo, Rosanna Di Gioia</b> – Cross-case Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA) identifying patterns of ICT use and parental mediation of very young children  <b>Ana Francisca Monteiro</b> – Parental mediation in the use of technology by children: Paradoxes of imposing restrictions</p>
10.40-11.10	<p><b>Break</b>  <i>Shaw Library, 6<sup>th</sup> floor</i></p>		

11.10-12.20	<b>Parallel sessions IV</b>		
	<p><b>Session 10: Online information and children's rights</b></p> <p><i>Vera Anstey Room (VAR), 1<sup>st</sup> floor</i></p> <p><b>Monica Barbovschi</b> – Chair</p> <p><b>Laura Moorhead</b> – Open access to biomedical information in regard to the public health of children and young people: a discussion of equity and policy</p> <p><b>Camille Tilleul and Pierre Fastrez</b> – How can website design support young people searching information regarding their rights online?</p> <p><b>Shulamit Almog and Liat Franco</b> – Wild playgrounds - social networks as lawless domains</p>	<p><b>Session 11: Public and private responsibilities for children's rights online</b></p> <p><i>Graham Wallace Room (AGWR), 5<sup>th</sup> floor</i></p> <p><b>Alicia Blum-Ross</b> – Chair</p> <p><b>Leigh Campoamor</b> – Digital technologies and child labour in the age of transnational corporate social responsibility</p> <p><b>Tijana Milosevic</b> – Towards a rights-based self-regulatory framework: assessing the responsibility of social media companies in addressing bullying</p> <p><b>Eva Lievens</b> – Ending the shifting game: towards true responsibility for children's rights in the digital age</p>	<p><b>Session 12: Conceptualising children's rights in the digital age</b></p> <p><i>Room 3.21, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor</i></p> <p><b>Uwe Hasebrink</b> – Chair</p> <p><b>Rayen Condeza</b> - Expectations of parents and teachers on the digital rights of adolescents in Chile</p> <p><b>Anthea Henderson</b> - "Rights and/or needs? Caribbean children and the digital age</p> <p><b>Elvira Perez Vallejos, Ansgar Koene and Derek McAuley</b> - iRights Youth Juries: Acting out digital dilemmas to promote digital reflections</p>
12.30-13.00	<p><b>Final plenary</b></p> <p><b>Rapporteurs:</b> Eva Lievens (Ghent University), Fabio Senne (Brazilian Network Information Center), Mariya Stoilova (LSE)</p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Sonia Livingstone (LSE)</p> <p><i>Shaw Library, 6<sup>th</sup> floor</i></p>		