

Behind the #HHeadlines

9.30am-4.00pm Friday, April 24, 2015 Great Hall, Queen's University Belfast

Media Representation of Children & Young People in Northern Ireland

Background

In 2008 the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child stated its profound concern 'at the general climate of intolerance and negative public attitudes towards children, especially adolescents' within Great Britain and Northern Ireland. It recommended 'urgent measures to address the intolerance and inappropriate characterization' of children and young people, 'including in the media'.

The Project

Northern Ireland is a society in transition from conflict where paramilitaries remain active and punishment beatings are not uncommon. Clearly a 'climate of intolerance' in these circumstances can have severe consequences for children and young people. Following a successful two day seminar on the media involving journalists, young people and their advocates, the Childhood, Transition and Social Justice Initiative, in partnership with Include Youth and in consultation with other non-governmental organisations, were successful in securing Economic and Social Research Council Funding to conduct in-depth research and collaborative consultations focusing on media representation of children and young people.

The Conference

This one-day conference is part of the knowledge-sharing and dissemination phase of the Project. It is intended to provide an opportunity for all concerned individuals and organisations to come together to hear the findings and messages from the workshops and consultations with children, young people and their advocates. It will contribute significantly to the final report of the Project. The conference also will include: input from young people and the launch of a resource informed by the workshops with them; youth and media organisations providing examples of 'good practice' and citizen journalism.

Places are limited & will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Reserve your place using Eventbrite or RSVP

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A partnership project between Childhood, Transition and Social Justice
Initiative at Queen's University Belfast and Include Youth