



# Children's Access to Justice in Practice: The Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a Communications Procedure (OP3)

## Online Webinar series 2021-2022

### Session 1 Access to justice for children and the OP3

#### Speakers

- Ms. Mikiko Otani, Chair UN Committee on the Rights of the Child (Japan)
- Prof. Ton Liefwaard, Leiden University (the Netherlands)

#### 20 October

9.30 (CST: Mexico)

4.30 (CEST: the Netherlands)

### Session 2 Lessons learned on admissibility under the OP3

#### Speakers

- Prof. Ursula Kilkelly, University of Cork (Ireland)
- Prof. Jaap Doek, Leiden University

#### Thursday 2 December 2021

9.30-11.00am (CST: Mexico)

4.30-6.00pm (CEST: the Netherlands)

### Session 3 Standard setting under the OP3: trends and ramifications for migrant children

#### Speakers

- Prof. Sriprapha Petcharamesree, Mahidol University (Thailand)
- Prof. Pablo Ceriani, Universidad Nacional de Lanús (Argentina)

#### Tuesday 18 January 2022

9.30-11.00am (CST: Mexico)

4.30-6.00pm (CEST: the Netherlands)

### Session 4 The role of children in access to justice: the OP3 as an empowering tool

#### Speakers

- Prof. Aoife Nolan, University of Nottingham (United Kingdom)
- Ms Karabo Ozah, Deputy Director, Centre for Child Law (South Africa)

#### Thursday 17 February 2022

9.30-11.00am (CST: Mexico)

4.30-6.00pm (CEST: the Netherlands)

### Session 5 Creating change through remedies and the OP3

#### Speakers

- Prof. Ann Skelton, University of Pretoria, member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child (South Africa)
- Prof. Alex Conte, Executive Director, Child Rights Connect (Switzerland)

#### Thursday 17 March 2022

9.30-11.00am (CST: Mexico)

4.30-6.00pm (CEST: the Netherlands)

### Session 6 The future of the OP3 and its potential added value in Latin America

#### Speakers

- Ms Margarita Griesbach, Oficina de Defensoría de los Derechos de la Infancia-ODI (Mexico)
- Mr Luis Pedernera, Lawyer, Member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child and the Institute of Legal and Social Studies of Uruguay (Uruguay)
- Mr Leo Ratledge, Legal & Policy Director at Child Rights International Network (United Kingdom)

#### Thursday 21 April 2022

9.30-11.00am (CST: Mexico)

4.30-6.00pm (CEST: the Netherlands)

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