



Building a child-friendly Europe: turning a vision into reality

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Biographies of speakers



Steven Allen

Steven Allen is UNICEF Regional Director for Central and Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States since April 2009. Based in Geneva, he leads UNICEF's work in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia. Prior to this, he was Director of Human Resources in UNICEF New York Headquarters from 2004 to 2009, and UNICEF Representative in Indonesia from 2002 to 2004. From 1998 to 2002 Mr Allen was UNICEF Special Representative for the Balkans, where he led UNICEF's advocacy and programmes in South East Europe. Concurrently he served as UN Humanitarian Coordinator in Belgrade from 1999 to 2002.

Mr Allen joined UNICEF in 1977 and worked in Sudan, Myanmar, Vietnam and Pakistan, Iraq, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Rwanda until 1998. He worked with OXFAM in Ethiopia in 1974 and with UNDP and WFP in Sudan from 1975 to 1977.

Mr Allen is a national of the United Kingdom. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics and Politics from the London School of Economics, and Master of Science Degree in Medical Demography from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

Ulla Armyr

Ulla Armyr, Chair of the Save the Children Europe group, has more than 30 years of professional experience of work with and for children and children's rights.

The work has mainly been developed within the context of NGO programme development and management in Sweden, Europe and in Latin America where cooperation and partnerships for sustainable action has been in focus.

Ulla has a Master of Science in Social Work and is currently Save the Children Sweden Europe and Asia Director.

Isabelle Berro-Lefèvre

Born on 24 October 1965 in Monaco

Nationality: Monegasque

Elected judge of the European Court of Human rights in respect of the Principality of Monaco since 27 June 2006

Education and professional activities:

- *Law Studies at the University of Nice (1984-1987)*
- *Masters in private law (University of Nice) (1987)*
- *Justice Auditor at the Ecole Nationale de la Magistrature of Paris (1987-1989)*
- *Legal Assistant at the Direction of Judicial Services of the Principality of Monaco (1989)*
- *Judge at the Court of First Instance of the Principality of Monaco (1990)*
- *First Judge at the Court of First Instance of the Principality of Monaco (2000)*
- *Collaboration with the "Centre of European Studies on Human Rights" of the University of Nice-Sophia – Antipolis (2004-2005)*
- *Member of the Consultative Council of the European Judges (CCEJ) of the Council of Europe (2005)*

Author of numerous articles on children's rights and ECHR, namely:

- *Quelles justices pour les mineurs délinquants, in AJ pénal 2008*
- *L'accès des enfants à la cour européenne des droits de l'homme, in Journal du droit des jeunes, n°272, février 2008*
- *Les mineurs délinquants dans la jurisprudence de la cour européenne des droits de l'homme, in Grundrechte und solidarität : Mélanges en l'honneur de Renate Jaeger, N.P. Engel Verlag, 2011*
- *Adoption et filiation, droit à l'enfant, droits de l'enfant ?, in La conscience des droits : Mélanges en l'honneur de Jean-Paul Costa, Paris, Dalloz, 2011*

Anne-Sophie Bordry

Public Affairs Director for France and South Europe, Facebook.

Before joining Facebook in 2010, Anne-Sophie Bordry was an advisor in the cabinet of Ministers for the Digital Economy Eric Besson and Nathalie Kosciusko-Morizet.

Having started her career as a parliamentary advisor in the French Senate, following in particular issues related to copyright on the Internet, she later joined the Prime Minister's administration for the development of the Media (DDM) and became the director for External Relations of the press group Metro France.

Giovanni Buttarelli

Giovanni Buttarelli took office as Assistant European Data Supervisor in January 2009.

Prior to his appointment as Assistant Supervisor, Mr Buttarelli worked as Secretary General of the Italian Data Protection Authority from 1997. Between 2002 and 2003 he was President of the Schengen Joint Supervisory Body, after being its Vice-President. His long and broad experience at international level in the fields of data protection and related issues was enriched by the participation in many committees and working groups operating in the European Union, at the Council of Europe and within other organizations, as well as by the international cooperation between data protection.

Mary Crowley OBE

Mary Crowley was Chief Executive of Parenting UK, the national umbrella body for people who work with parents, from January 1999 to December 2007.

She led the development of the National Occupational Standards for Work with Parents which were approved for the UK in April 2005.

Mary was Director of the Adult Education Service of the London Borough of Waltham Forest. She currently sits on the Council of City and Guilds, a national awarding body, and is a member of the Health Visiting Regeneration Project.

She was a member of a number of government advisory groups.

*She created and directed the EU transnational network project, **Parenting in Europe in the 21st Century**, linking organisations working with parents in eight countries across Europe. She is a member of the Council of the Fédération Internationale pour l'Education des Parents and of The Vienna Committee for the Family. She has taken part in numerous TV and radio broadcasts most recently a programme on absent fathers broadcast in September 09 by BBC.*

In 2000, Mary was awarded the MBE for services to parenting education and family learning and in 2008 the OBE for services to children and families. She regularly speaks at conferences throughout the UK and Europe and has also been invited to speak in Australia and the US.

Maria Herczog

Maria Herczog is a Ph.D. in Sociology, MA in Economics, Reader and senior researcher at Eszterházy Károly College, president of Eurochild and chair of the Family Child Youth Association (<http://www.csagyi.hu/en/association>). Her main area of research is child welfare and child protection.

She was elected as a member to the UN CRC Committee in 2007 and re-elected in 2010. President of Eurochild since 2010 (www.eurochild.org). Her main area of research is child welfare, child protection, child rights, children in public care. Since 1992 she has been the chief editor of the only Hungarian professional journal "Family, Child, Youth" (www.csagyi.hu). She has been working with different international organisations – Council of Europe, UNICEF, WHO - as a temporary scientific expert and consultant. She was one of the civil representatives in the European Economic and Social Committee between 2004-2010.

Author of several books and chapters, articles. Regular speaker at national and international conferences.

Tony Ivens

Tony originally comes from a science background, but has been working in the field of Family and Parenting support now for well over ten years. During this time he has worked for both Local Authorities as well as major NGO's. He has always had a special interest in the role of men in the family, and was one of the pioneers of this work back in the 1990's.

He chaired the Welsh Government working group which developed the Parenting Action Plan for Wales, and has sat on, and contributed to, numerous government working groups over the years.

Tony currently chairs the Eurochild Family and Parenting Support Thematic Working Group and now speaks at conferences and events across Europe.

Tony has written extensively on the importance of fathers in family life and is regularly invited by the media to comment on fathers issues.

Luis Jimena Quesada

Born in Massamagrell (Valencia, Spain), Luis Jimena Quesada is member (and current President) of the European Committee of Social Rights (Council of Europe).

Professor of Constitutional Law at the University of Valencia (Spain). He was the first European Doctor of Law in the University of Valencia. Since 1993 he also teaches at the International Institute of Human Rights (Strasbourg – France). He has given lectures in many countries of Europe, America and Africa. Since 1997, he is substitute judge at the High Court of Justice (Administrative Chamber) of the Valencian Autonomous Community.

Jesper Juul

Position held

- Curriculum manager, Familylab International, Baar Switzerland

Education and training

- Teacher & MA in The history of European Ideas (1970)
- Family Therapist (1977)
- Project Manager, Aarhus Kommune Youth Center (1974)
- Clinical Director, The Kempler Institute of Scandinavia, Center for family (1979-2004)
- Clinical work with refugees and displaced families (Balkan 1991-1998)

Author

- Family Counseling, Perspective & Process
- Family, the primary health system
- Your competent Child
- Family Life, New basic values for partnership and parenting
- Parent Coaching
- The noble art of saying no
- Here am I! Who are you? On closeness, respect and boundaries between adults and children
- From obedience to responsibility (for school and preschool)

Jorma Kauppinen

Mr Jorma Kauppinen is Director of General Education at the Finnish National Board of Education. Department of General Education is responsible for developing pre-primary and basic education, morning and afternoon activities for schoolchildren, general upper secondary education, liberal adult education and basic education in the arts. He has been working at the FNBE since 2001, first as a Head of the Upper Secondary School Unit. Earlier in his career he has been teacher of history and social studies in basic education and principal in general upper secondary education. He is chair of Steering Committee of Global Education Project at the FNBE and member of the Finnish Education Evaluation Council. Currently he is member of Steering Committee for Education in Council of Europe and year 2011 chair of the Committee.

Nicolas Le Coz

Nicolas Le COZ is a Lawyer graduated from University Paris-Sorbonne and Paris-Assas and a Law Enforcement Officer within the French National Gendarmerie.

As a deputy chief of the Organised Crime Unit at the Sub Directorate of Judicial Police at the General Directorate of the National Gendarmerie of the Ministry of Interior in Paris, he is in charge of criminal issues such as Genocide, Crimes against humanity and War Crimes, Organised Crime and Trafficking in Human Beings.

He has been elected as a member of GRETA in December 2008, as a Vice-President in February 2009 and President since the 1st of January 2011.

Amina Lemrini

Doctor of education science.

Research field: human rights education.

Profession: Education inspector; in this capacity, contributes to curriculum development, teacher training and the production of education material, in particular concerning citizenship education.

Member of the Moroccan Advisory Council on Human Rights (2002-2010). In this capacity:

- *Took part in the preparation of a handbook on human rights education (Education aux droits de l'homme : comprendre pour agir ensemble) produced by the French-speaking association of national human rights commissions (AFCNDH) and the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF);*
- *Co-ordinated the contribution by national human rights institutions to the consultations held by the Human Rights Council (Geneva) with a view to preparation of the UN Declaration on Human rights education and training.*

Founding Chair of the Democratic Association of Moroccan Women (ADFM). Member of the Human Rights Education Working Group at the Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network (EMHRN).

María Amor Martín Estébanez

María Amor Martín Estébanez is a Programme Manager of Legal Research at the Department of Equality and Citizens' Rights of the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA). She has a D.Phil in Law of the University of Oxford, and an M.Phil in International Relations of the University of Amsterdam.

Prior to joining the FRA in March 2009, she worked as a legal officer at the Legal Services of the OSCE and as a consultant for the Council of Europe and the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities, as well as several NGOs. She has been Researcher and Project Manager at the Institute for Human Rights/Department of Law - Åbo Akademi University and lecturer of international law for the Foreign Service Programme of the University of Oxford. She is the author of a large number of publications on human rights protection and the legal status of the OSCE.

Marek Michalak

Marek Michalak was born on the 27th of July 1971 in Świdnica, Poland. He is a graduate of Rehabilitation Pedagogy and also postgraduate studies in the field of Socioterapy and Organization of Social Aid.

He has begun his social work already as a teenager. In 1987 he was appointed President of an organization helping children with diseases "SERCE" in Świdnica and three years later became President of the Board of the organization "SERCE". He was also a member and founder of a National Forum for Children Rights.

Marek Michalak was a founder of „The European Centre for Children's Friendship" which programme dedicated to helping child and family has been awarded many times. "The Centre" was described by the Polish Foundation for Children and Adolescents as one of the best preventive and development projects in the country.

In 1994 Marek Michalak was awarded with the Order of Smile. He sits on an International Chapter of the Order; first acted as its Vice-Chancellor and after January 2007 as the Chancellor.

On the 25th of July 2008 he was appointed as the Ombudsman for Children of the Republic of Poland.

Since September 2011 he has been a Chair of the European Network of Ombudspersons for Children ENOC.

Akihiko Morita

Child Rights Activist

- *As head of the information & Public Affairs Division/Japan Committee for UNICEF (1997-2004), launched national campaigns against the use of child soldiers and CSEC, served as focal point of the child participation program of the 2nd World Congress Against CSEC (Yokohama Congress) in 2001 and elected as Chair of the Communication Workshop, association of the heads of the communication section of the 37 National Committee for UNICEF in 2002-2004.*
- *As Senior adviser/Save the Children Japan (2008-present), launched national campaign for the 3rd Optional Protocol/CRC for Communication Procedures under the Committee on the Rights of the Child.*

Worked for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan in 1983-1995, seconded to UNDP in 1992-1994.

Currently teaching children's rights as Professor/SHOKEI Gakuin University, located in Miyagi prefecture

Major interest is to develop the appropriate underlying philosophical foundation of human rights, utilizing the local/traditional intellectual resources in the non-western societies.

Marie-Hélène Murat

Child psychiatrist

Born in Marseille

Studied medicine in Marseille, then specialised in psychiatry and child psychiatry at Nice University Hospital.

Has worked as a psychiatrist (with a psychoanalytical orientation) in various institutions, in the adult psychiatry and school psychiatry departments of the city of Nice, and as head of a day hospital.

Seconded from the university child psychiatry department of Lenval Hospital to participate in the setting up of the Medico-psychological Centre in Monaco, which is open to children up to the age of 18 who are nationals of the Principality or attending school there.

Attaches great importance to multidisciplinary teamwork.

Also has a private practice.

Peter Newell

Peter Newell works as an advocate for children's rights, in the UK and internationally. He is Coordinator of the Global Initiative to End All Corporal Punishment of Children, chairs the Council of the Child Rights International Network and, is Vice-President of the NGO Group for the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Together with Rachel Hodgkin, he has prepared successive editions of UNICEF's Implementation Handbook for the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Peter is Hon. Adviser to ENOC, the European Network of Ombudspersons for Children. He has been involved in use of the European Court of Human Rights and the collective complaints procedure under the Social Charter to pursue children's rights violations.

Jean-Philippe Noat

Jean-Philippe NOAT, technical director of Action Innocence, is a computer scientist in charge of dealing with cybercrime cases in Monaco. He also heads an information technology company in Monaco. As child protection on the Internet is one of his priority concerns, he joined with a few friends in 2003 in producing the first software program to counter Internet child pornography (logp2p), which they have since further developed. The principle of the software, which is currently used by many police forces in Europe, led to the arrest in 2010 of over 2 500 alleged paedophiles and, above all, to the identification of over 50 abused children and almost 40 large-scale producers of paedophile

material. At the same time, he is seeking on a technical level to increase co-operation between European police forces through a Monaco-based forum and dedicated website containing almost 10 000 articles which are consulted by almost 250 specialist police officers. The website is being expanded with fresh feedback every day and is a real professional database for its members. He has been co-operating with the Monegasque police and justice system for over seven years.

Theo Noten

Theo Noten is since 1996 managing ECPAT Netherlands and has since 1998 a governing position in Meldpunt Kinderporno, the Dutch Hotline on child pornography in the Internet, member of INHOPE (International Association of Internet Hotlines). Meldpunt Kinderporno is since 1999 involved in a surfsafe campaign giving tips to children and since 2008 providing a hotline to children and young people victims of sexual abuse and exploitation online. He is involved in the Dutch multistakeholder platform on child safety online since 2008.

He is a member of the executive board of ECPAT International since 2005 and advisory on trafficking, child pornography and child sex tourism issues. He has contributed to ECPAT International publications like Violence against Children in Cyberspace. He was in the ECPAT International preparatory team for the Council of Europe Convention against sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children (2006-2007) and for World Congress III against the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents (2008). Since 2008 he is involved in eNACSO, the European NGO Alliance on Child Safety Online. He has contributed to the development of the EU Directive against sexual abuse, sexual exploitation of children and child pornography. He is in the International NGO Advisory Council for the follow up of the UN Study on Violence against children since 2007, representing ECPAT International. He is partner in the ECPAT –The Body Shop campaign STOP sex trafficking in children and young people.

Stefan Oeter

Full Professor for German and Comparative Public Law and Public International Law, Managing Director of the Institute of International Affairs, University of Hamburg Law School (since 1999); studied law at the universities of Heidelberg and Montpellier; 1987-1997 research fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public and Public International Law, Heidelberg; 1990 Dr. iur. utr. (Heidelberg); Chairman (since 2006) of the Independent Committee of Experts of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages (Council of Europe); Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Federal Ministry of Transport; President of the Historical Commission, International Society for Military Law and the Laws of War; Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration; research mainly in comparative federalism, minority protection and human rights law, humanitarian law, European and international economic law, theory of international law and international relations.

Jenny Pearce

Jenny Pearce is Professor of Young People and Public Policy at the University of Bedfordshire, UK, where she is Director of the 'International Centre for the Study of Sexually Exploited and Trafficked Young People' and the 'Institute of Applied Social Research'. She is Chair of the UK Home Office 'Child Trafficking Information Sharing Forum' and co-founder and management group member of the 'National Working Group for Sexually Exploited Children and Young People' (www.nationalworkinggroup.co.uk). She runs a 'Child Sexual Exploitation' research forum in partnership with Barnardo's Children's Charity and is a member of the Policy Steering Committee of 'Eurochild', Brussels. She has researched and published on a number of topics related to child protection, child sexual exploitation and child trafficking. She is currently developing the 'Our Voices' Project: a European network of projects challenging sexual violence against children. She works with the Council of Europe as an invited expert on child sexual exploitation.

Jenny Pearce trained as a teacher, and has worked in schools, youth justice and youth and community work. She works in partnership with young people, NGOs and statutory services in Europe to develop opportunities for training, research and curriculum development on child welfare and child protection.

Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro

Pinheiro is Adjunct Professor of international relations at the Watson Institute of International Studies, Brown University. He is research coordinator at the Center for the Study of Violence, and Professor of Political Science (retired) at the University of São Paulo, USP, and Brazil. He has also taught at Columbia University, Notre Dame University, Oxford and the École des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris. He is a Commissioner and Rapporteur on Children, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, IACHR, Organization of America States, OAS, and Washington.

In 2003 Pinheiro was appointed by the UN Secretary-General as Independent Expert, to prepare a study in depth on violence against children and he visited 45 countries. He presented the World Report on Violence against Children, 2006 and has followed up the recommendations of the report during 2007.

Pinheiro served as Secretary of State for Human Rights, under President Cardoso, Brazil, and as Rapporteur of the Brazilian government National Human Rights Plans, PNDH I, 1996 and PNDH II, 2002. Under President Lula, he was an expert for the preparation of the PNDH 3, 2009 and he has been appointed by the President to represent civil society at the six members' inter-ministerial working group to prepare a Truth Commission in Brazil, 2010.

Georg Pirker

As of 2007, Georg Pirker is elected secretary of the DARE network (the European network for Democracy and Human Rights Education with 50 member organizations from 28 countries) and represents DARE's view in various political bodies on European level. Further he is the person responsible for the department of European and international educational work at AdB (Association of German educational organizations) an umbrella organization of civic educational NGO's in Germany. He is an expert for non-formal Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights Education in both adult and youth learning in Europe and supervises the international work of about 180 German educational centres.

Maria Filomena Ribeiro da Fonseca Gaspar

Position held

- Associate Professor, Faculdade de Psicologia e Ciências da Educação da Universidade de Coimbra, Coimbra, Portugal (1999-present)

Education and training

- PhD., Educational Psychology, Universidade de Coimbra (1999)
- MSc, Educational Sciences- Educational Psychology, Universidade de Coimbra (1990)
- Lic. Psychology, Universidade de Coimbra (1986)
- Trained as Family Therapist.
- Leader certified in the Incredible Years Program – Basic, parents, and Incredible Years Program Teachers.

Principal research/teaching

- Early prevention/intervention in disruptive behaviour disorders: efficacy of parents and teachers programs
- Family Support and Education (development, implementation and evaluation of different ways of parenting education and support): More-Family Programs; Parenting Wisely Programs; Incredible Years Programs
- Parenting Programs evidence based
- Family Policy

Janice Richardson

Janice Richardson is Senior Adviser at European Schoolnet, a consortium of 30 national Ministries of Education, as well as Coordinator of the Insafe safer Internet awareness raising network. Insafe was set up by the European Commission in 2004 to promote responsible and effective use of online technology by children and young people.

Janice has previously worked as teacher, university lecturer, educational researcher and consultant in Australia, France, Luxembourg and Belgium.

Author of two books and many articles on ICT in education and the development of e-literacy, she led Council of Europe editorial teams to create and revise its Internet Literacy Handbook (2003, 2005, 2008); in 2009 she wrote Guidelines for Teachers to help them implement in class the Wild Web Woods online game based on the CoE Handbook to highlight safety and human rights issues. From 2001-2004, Janice worked in the eLuxembourg Task Force, to assist the national government to implement ICT at all levels of society.

María José Rodrigo

Full Professor of Developmental Psychology at the University of La Laguna.

Director of the Master on Family Intervention and Mediation with a mention of Excellence from The Spanish Ministry of Education.

President of the European Society of Developmental Psychology (2008-2011).

Fellow since 2010 of the Association for Psychological Science (APS) for sustained and outstanding distinguished contributions to psychological science.

Organizer of the postgraduate Winter School on Evidence-based Parent Education Programs and Best Practices to Promote Positive Parenting sponsored by the Council of Europe and the Jacobs Foundation under the auspicious of the European Society of Developmental Psychology (January 10-14, 2011).

Expert commissioned by the Spanish Ministry of Health, Social Policy and Equality to elaborate a report on the Promotion of Positive Parenting in Spain for the Spanish Parliament (2010-2011).

Evidence-based research on parenting programs to preserve families under at risk circumstances and prevent child maltreatment.

Jean-Charles Sacotte

State Councillor of the Principality of Monaco

First Honorary President of Monaco Court of Appeal

Education:

• *Faculty of Law, Paris:*

- *Degree in private law*
- *Degree in criminal science*

• *University of Paris-Sorbonne*

- *Degree in Catalan*

• *Competitive entrance examination for the Legal Service Training College (ENM) - 1963*

• *Military service: 1963-1965*

Career:

1968: Deputy Public Prosecutor, Montargis (Loiret, France)

1970: Law officer, Central Administration, Ministry of Justice

1975: Head of the Regulations and Social Reintegration Office at the Directorate of Prison Administration

1976: Deputy Principal State Prosecutor of the Principality of Andorra

1981: Vice-President of the Tribunal des Corts (Criminal Court) and sole Appeal Judge in civil matters, Principality of Andorra

1986: Judge at Paris Court of Appeal

1988: Secondment to the Principality of Monaco to perform judicial duties

1991: First President of Monaco Court of Appeal

Legal Adviser, then Policy Officer, Ministry of State, Monaco

Current positions:

State Councillor of the Principality of Monaco

Chair of the Board of INDEMER (Institute for the Economic Law of the Sea)

Director of La Revue de Droit Monégasque

Olena Styslavska

Olena Styslavska is a consultant and teacher trainer in National Centre for Education Development (NCED) in Poland. She is in charge of development, implementation and coordination of national and international in-service teacher training schemes in the field of EDC/HRE and ICE. She also delivers trainings in the field of education for intercultural understanding, human rights and democratic citizenship to a wide range of participants from students to school heads, teachers, representatives of NGOs and parents association. She has a contribution to the development of training modules and as well as education materials and education kits on EDC/HRE. She has expertise and good practical knowledge of CoE educational materials, recommendations related to EDC/HRE and ICE and belongs to CoE Pestalozzi network of trainers.

Felisa Tibbitts

Felisa Tibbitts is co-founder and co-director of Human Rights Education Associates (HREA), and is also engaged as Adjunct Lecturer at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and the UN University for Peace where she teaches courses on human rights education. At the Harvard Kennedy School of Government she co-teaches a course with the director of the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy called "Tools for Human Rights Practice".

Ms Tibbitts has carried out trainings in over 20 countries and provided technical assistance or served as a textbook author in educational initiatives in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, China, Croatia, El Salvador, Estonia, Gaza, Kosovo, Northern Ireland, Morocco, Romania, Ukraine and the United States. Ms Tibbitts has published numerous articles, manuals and book chapters in the area of human rights education and contributed to the development of policy documents for the United Nations.

Anniki Tikerpuu

Anniki Tikerpuu is the Head of the Department of Children and Families at the Estonian Ministry of Social Affairs. Anniki has over a decade of experience in advocating children's rights. Before taking up this post, (2006-2010) she worked as the Adviser on the issues relating to the children rights at the Department of Social Welfare in the abovementioned ministry. Previously, she spent six years working in the Estonian Union for Child Welfare that is a non-governmental umbrella organization concerned with the advocacy of children's rights and guaranteeing child welfare in Estonia. The EUCW was re-founded in October 1988 and today it co-ordinates the work of over regional societies for child welfare. Anniki's topics of interest were school bullying prevention, media and children's rights as well as mainstreaming of children's rights. Anniki holds a master's degree in social work from Tallinn University.

Jean-Philippe Walter

Doctor of law

Deputy Federal Commissioner for Data Protection and Transparency - Switzerland

Chair of the Consultative Committee of the Council of Europe Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data

Vice-President of the Schengen Joint Supervisory Authority

Vice-President of the French-speaking Association of Data Protection Authorities (AFAPDP)

Edita Ziobiene

Edita Ziobiene is Ombudsperson for Children Rights (since 2010), member of the Advisory Committee for National Minorities (Council of Europe) and assoc. professor at Mykolas Romeris University (teaches Human Rights Institutional Protection and Constitutional Law).

More than decade she has actively worked in different European human rights networks (EU Network of Independent Experts on Fundamental Rights, EU Network of Legal Experts in Non-discrimination Field, ENAR and etc.). She is the author of several articles.