

**Americas Consultation on the Joint General Comment on Children in the Context of  
International Migration**

*28 (afternoon)-29 (morning) June 2017, México City*

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Draft Programme	
28 June 2017 afternoon	
13.00-13.30 (30 min)	<b>Welcome</b>
13:30 - 14:30 (60 min)	<p><b>Opening Session: Migrant Children in the Americas</b></p> <p><i>Overview of the Joint General Comment: Children in the Context of International Migration</i> Pablo Ceriani, UN Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers</p> <p><i>Migrant Children and the International Convention on the Rights of the Child</i> Member of UN Committee on the Rights of the Child</p> <p><i>Challenges Faced by Migrant Children in the Americas</i> Speaker</p> <p><i>International Migration in the Americas</i> Speaker</p> <p>Moderator:</p>
14:30 - 15:30 (60 min)	<p><b>Working Session I: Best Interest of the Child &amp; Child Protection</b></p> <p>Working Group A: <i>Best Interest of the Child: Best Interests Assessment and Best Interest Determination</i></p> <p>Working Group B: <i>Child Protection, Child Labour &amp; Other Risks Faced by Migrant Children</i></p>
15:30-16:00	<b>Break</b>
16:00 - 17:00 (60 min)	<p><b>Working Session II: Family Life &amp; Social Integration in Country of Destination</b></p> <p>Working Group C: <i>Right to Family Life: Non-separation and Family Re-unification</i></p> <p>Working Group D: <i>Social Integration and Access to Social Rights</i></p> <p><i>Format: Two consecutive working group discussions, each attended by one of the co-chairs and supported by a facilitator. A rapporteur will be identified amongst participants to brief the plenary on key recommendations</i></p>

	<i>to the JGC.</i>
17:00 - 18:00 (60 min)	<b>Plenary Session: Presentation of Working Group Discussions</b>

<b>29 June 2017 morning</b>	
8:30 – 9:30 (60 min)	<p><b>Working Session III: Right to be Heard &amp; Right to Liberty</b></p> <p>Working Group E: <i>Child Participation in Migration &amp; Asylum Procedures: Due process, Safeguards &amp; access to justice</i></p> <p>Working Group F: <i>Right to Liberty: The Principle of Non-Detention &amp; Alternative Solutions</i></p>
9:30- 10:30 (60 min)	<p><b>Working Session IV: Durable Solutions &amp; International Cooperation</b></p> <p>Working Group G: <i>International Cooperation for Protecting Children’s Rights in the Context of Migration</i></p> <p>Working Group H: <i>Durable solutions</i></p>
10:30-11:00	<b>Break</b>
11:00- 12:00	<p><b>Plenary Session: Presentation of Working Group Discussions</b></p> <p><i>Format: Reflections and recommendations presented by the rapporteurs from the four working groups (10 min presentations followed by discussion)</i></p>
12.00 - 13:00	<p><b>Closing Session: Identification and Confirmation of Key Issues to be Reflected in the JGC</b></p> <p><u>Co-chairs:</u> Pablo Ceriani, UN Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers Member, UN Committee on the Rights of the Child</p>
13:00-13:30	<b>Conclusion, Next Steps and Wrap-Up</b>