



Online Conference  
**Strengthening Families, Protecting Children**  
*30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> October*

Sharing promising practices for strengthening families and protecting children

**Date/Time:** 31<sup>st</sup> October, 10:00- 12:25 CET (UTC+1)

**Parallel session – Group 1**

Speaker	Organization	Summary
<b>Prof. Mark Jordans</b> Professor Global Mental Health, & Director of Research and Development	<b>War Child</b>	<b>Developing and evaluating a whole-family intervention programme in Jordan and Lebanon.</b> A nurturing family environment is vital for children's mental health, but displacement and trauma in humanitarian contexts challenge caregivers' ability to provide responsive parenting. Learn more about a family support program and results from a randomized trial.  <a href="#">Link to presentation</a>
<b>Mrs. Hadil Al Faqih</b> Programme Director	<b>SOS Children's Villages Jordan</b>	<b>Safe Homes project in Jordan</b> Safe Homes is a service that offers immediate safety and supports the physical and emotional recovery of women who are survivors of violence and their children.  <a href="#">Link to presentation</a>
<b>Mrs. Alaa Fatafta</b> Bethlehem Program Director	<b>SOS Children's Villages Palestine</b>	<b>Parenting in times of crisis in Palestine</b> Support for families can be difficult in times of crisis. Family Strengthening interventions in Palestine provide comprehensive support to families with a unique focus on enhancing parenting practices.  <a href="#">Link to presentation</a>
<b>Mrs. Anemari Nitu</b> Advocacy Specialist,	<b>CONCORDIA Romania</b>	<b>Day Care Centres Network's contribution to poverty reduction among children population by preventing school dropout and family abandonment in Romania</b> The Day Care Centres model provides education, healthcare, and personal development support to at-risk children and their families. This initiative aims to prevent family abandonment and ensure that children can continue their education.  <a href="#">Link to presentation</a>



**Mrs. Ivona Bukovska,**  
Head of Child and Family  
Center Vilnius

**Save the  
Children  
Lithuania**

#### **Supporting families raising children with disabilities in Lithuania**

Presentation of a comprehensive approach to supporting families of children with disabilities with emphasis on enhancing family capacity, providing essential resources, and promoting community inclusion.

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**Mrs. Alesia  
Charniauskaja,** Family  
Strengthening Advisor  
**Ms. Alena Vysotskaya,**  
*Social Center Leader*

**SOS Children's  
Villages  
Belarus**

#### **Case study of intensive residential rehabilitation service for families at risk in Belarus**

Presentation of a short-term, intensive residential support program for children and their caregivers in crisis. The program aims to create safer caregiving conditions, prevent family breakdown, and motivate positive changes within families.

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### **Parallel session- Group 2**

<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Summary</b>
<b>Mrs. Adile Shaqiri,</b> Head of Social Services Division, Department for Social and Family Services Policies	<b>Ministry of Justice, Prishtina, Republic of Kosova</b>	<b>Legal reform in the protection and social services system in Kosovo</b> Kosovo's reform of social and family services aims to modernize administration and address the needs of vulnerable citizens. The new Law on Social and Family Services, effective January 2024, emphasizes prevention, supports foster care, and introduces supervised independent living for young adults. This reform will be presented at the upcoming conference.
<b>Mrs. Bozena Narkun</b> Manager of the Crisis Center "One stop"	<b>SOS Children's Villages Lithuania</b>	<b>The Family's Voice in integrated services: perspective of the „One Stop" family crisis centre in Lithuania</b> The Crisis Center "One Stop" offers various interventions for families in crisis situations. Utilizing evidence-based practices and specialized tools, and emphasizing the "Family's Voice," the centre provides essential support to children and families.
<b>Mrs. Ruta Urbonienė</b> Psychologist		

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**Mrs. Katja Borovac,**  
Psychologist

**Mr. Davor Vukelić,**  
Educator mentor

**Centre for  
Community  
Services Izvor  
Selce, Croatia**

**Evaluation of satisfaction with the half-day care service  
at the centre for community services Izvor Selce, Croatia**

The evaluation of a half-day care services aimed at promoting positive developmental outcomes for children will be presented. Satisfaction among service users and key stakeholders was assessed. Strengths and areas for improvement will be shared and how the centre has used these findings to enhance its services.

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**Mr. Khaled Abu Jolban,**  
Child Protection Manager

**International  
Medical Corps  
(IMC) Amman,  
Jordan**

**Supporting families and preventing child family  
separation in Jordan**

Integrated child protection, mental health and psychosocial support, and livelihood services, to foster resilience and recovery for families affected by conflict aim to prevent child-family separation and support families in overcoming the challenges posed by their circumstances.

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**Mrs. Dildor Yusupova,**  
Alternative Care and  
Family Strengthening  
Advisor

**SOS Children's  
Villages  
Uzbekistan**

**Collaboration with Mahallas in Uzbekistan to support  
families at risk**

An initiative to support families at risk of child-family separation in close cooperation with mahallas will be shared. The aim is to prevent family breakdown and ensure that children grow up in a safe, caring, and supportive environment.

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**Mrs. Nelly Akobia,** Family  
Strengthening Advisor

**SOS Children's  
Villages  
Georgia**

**Supporting families at risk in Georgia**

A comprehensive multi-disciplinary approach to supporting vulnerable families will be presented. Through case management focused on gender empowerment and close collaboration with various stakeholders, the initiative has successfully ensured that children can remain with their families.

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