

Launch of the 2024 Global Report on Children's Care and Protection

Understanding and Preventing the Separation of Children from their Families

Date Tuesday, October 29th, 2024
13:15-14:30 EST (NY time), [convert](#) time zone

Venue United Nations Headquarters in New York – Conference Room 8
Simultaneous live stream on selected social media channels
Spanish interpretation available

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Receiving care is an essential right and tool to ensure the well-being of children in all aspects of their current and future life. Quality care, bonding relations and a stable caregiving structure around them are the basis for a child's development and the achievement of many of their rights. Despite the importance of this right, investing in care systems that protect and support the rights and well-being of caregivers and care receivers are often neglected in international and national policies.

Resolution [A/RES/77/317](#) establishes the 29th of October as the International Day of Care and support. To celebrate this key date SOS Children's Villages and partners are organizing an event to further the conversation, collect good and successful practices, listen to the voices of the constituencies and share new data and policy recommendations with the goals of improving care systems and practices.

During the event, SOS Children's Villages' [Global Report on Children's Care and Protection 2024](#) will be launched. The lead researchers will share the findings of extensive and participatory research with over 1.100 participants across eight countries on the factors driving the separation of children from their families and provide recommendations for governments and stakeholders to prevent it through integrated care and support systems.

Objectives

- Bring together relevant and interested partners to learn and share various aspects regarding the political, economic and social importance of Care and Support policies and systems.
- Present the key findings of the Global Report on Children's Care and Protection 2024 as a contribution to the care and support conversation. The findings will be discussed, and

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policy recommendations will be shared by experts and stakeholders to support policy makers and practitioners' work to set and strengthen rights-based, multisectoral care systems.

- Create a space for decision makers and practitioners to hear the voices and experiences of those affected by or supported through lacking or successful care systems and programs, namely professional and non-remunerated caregivers and care receivers.

Agenda

Moderated by: *Sofia Garcia Garcia, Representative to the UN and Head of Strategic Partnerships, SOS Children's Villages International*

- **Opening Remarks**
 - *H.E. Ambassador Ana Jiménez de la Hoz*, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Spain to the UN
 - *Ms. Lanna Idriss*, CEO, SOS-Kinderdörfer weltweit HGFD
- **Key findings of the Global Report on Children's Care and Protection 2024**
 - *Ms. Rosalind Willi*, Researcher and author of the report, SOS Children's Villages International
 - *Dr. Chrissie Gale*, International child protection consultant and Senior Honorary Research Fellow, University of Strathclyde
 - *Prof. Susan Short*, Robert E. Turner Distinguished Professor of Population Studies, Brown University
- **Video with experiences and voices from children and caregivers**
- **Panel discussion:** The Right to Care and Support: prioritizing the needs and rights of caregivers and care receivers.
 - *H.E. Ambassador Paula Narváez Ojeda*, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Chile to the UN
 - *Ms. Irene Bailey*, person with alternative care experience
 - *Mr. Benjamin Perks*, Head of Global Advocacy Child Development and Protection, UNICEF
 - *Ms. Veronica Burstin*, National Director, SOS Children's Villages Uruguay
 - *Ms. Lira Dzhuraeva*, National Director, SOS Children's Villages Kyrgyzstan
- **Response and Questions from the floor**
- **Closing remarks**
 - *H.E. Ambassador Gabriela González*, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the UN
 - *Ms. Lanna Idriss*, CEO, SOS-Kinderdörfer weltweit HGFD

About SOS Children's Villages

SOS Children's Villages is an NGO working in 136 countries to provide and advocate for quality care for all children. Our programmatic work aims to empower families with the means and skills needed to provide quality care for their children with a human rights approach to all. We provide direct care to 68.000 children who have lost parental care, support more than 500.000 people in their caregiving activities and employ more than 8.500 professional caregivers around the world. Our goal is to ensure that children without parental care, or at risk of losing it, grow up with the care, relationships, and support they need to become their strongest selves.

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