



## International Conference on Child Labour and Child Exploitation

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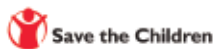
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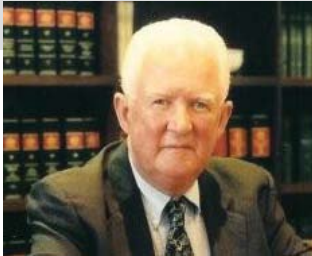


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## Welcome

I take great pleasure in welcoming all of you to this Conference, which I am confident, will be a memorable one. Our broad subject matter is children and their rights and particularly their right to be free of exploitation.

I am particularly pleased to welcome the distinguished members of the Indigenous community who are participating in this Conference. It is entirely appropriate that the voice of the first Australians should be heard at a conference such as this.

To these distinguished participants can be added distinguished representatives of the not for profit sector including Save the Children, World Vision, Care, ECPAT and the Lasallian Foundation and the Alannah and Madeline Foundation.

The importance of the subject matter can be gauged by the presence of Cabinet Ministers from Australia and New Zealand, distinguished members and former members of the judiciary from a number of countries, representatives of the International Labour Organisation and the President of the International Trade Union Confederation and the Australian Council of Trade Unions.

We have also brought together a significant range of academic and other experts from around the world, speaking on a variety of subjects affecting the rights of children.

It is my hope that this Conference will further light the path that we all tread in achieving nurture and support for all of our children.

**The Hon Alastair Nicholson AO RFD QC**  
**Patron CRI**

## Sunday 3 August 2008

**1200 – 1800      Registration**

**1300 – 1330      Introduction and Welcome**

The Hon. Justice Stuart Fowler AM  
Family Court of Australia

Aboriginal Welcome to their Land - Indigenous Dance Group

**1330 – 1415      Opening**

Chair: The Hon. Alastair Nicholson AO RFD QC

**Speakers**

The Hon. Robert McClelland  
Attorney-General of Australia

The Hon. Darren Hughes  
Minister for Statistics, New Zealand  
Associate Minister for Social Development and Employment  
and Deputy Leader of the House in the New Zealand Parliament

The Hon. Desley Boyle  
Queensland Minister for Tourism, Regional Development and Industry  
Member for Cairns

Councillor Val Schier, Mayor of Cairns

**1415 – 1515      Plenary 1: Children**

Chair: The Hon. Justice Stanley Jones AO  
Supreme Court of Queensland, Cairns

**Speakers**

The Hon. Ted Mullighan, QC  
Former Justice of the Supreme Court of South Australia.  
Author of the 2008 Report resulting from the Commission of Inquiry into  
Children in State Care and the Children on the APY Lands

***The Protection of All Our Children***

The Hon. Darren Hughes

***The NZ initiative in Abolishing the Use of Parental Force in  
correcting Children***

**1515 – 1545      Afternoon Tea**

**1545 - 1645      Plenary 2: The End of Child Labour in our Time:  
Next steps**

Chair: Mr John B Trew

**Speaker**

Ms Maria Alcestis A. Mangahas  
Chief Technical Adviser/Programme Manager  
Mekong Sub-regional Project to Combat Trafficking in Children and Women  
International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour International Labour  
Organization

**1645 - 1745      Plenary 3: Children and their Rights**

Chair: Ms Sally Nicholes

**Speaker**

Professor Paul Roth  
Faculty of Law  
University of Otago, New Zealand

***The Difficulty of Regulating Child Labour in Developed Countries:  
A New Zealand Approach.***

Margaret Douglas  
CEO, Save the Children Australia

**Convenor**

***A presentation by children of their views***

**1800 – 2000      Welcome Reception  
Co - Hosted by Cairns City Council**

Monday 4 August 2008

**0830 – 0930      Plenary 4: Trafficking in Children**

Chair: The Hon Justice Stuart Fowler AM

**Speakers**

His Honour Chief Federal Magistrate John Pascoe  
Federal Magistrates' Court of Australia

***Trafficking in Unborn Children***

Judge Corinne E. Dettmeijer-Vermeulen  
Dutch National Rapporteur on Trafficking in Human Beings

***Human trafficking, prostitution, forced labour and the unaccompanied minor. The importance of data collection and the role of a rapporteur***

**Commentary:**

Federal Agent Brad Shallies  
Superintendent, National Coordinator Cyber Safety  
High Tech Crime Operations, Australian Federal Police

**0930 – 1030      Plenary 5: Constructive Corporate Engagement:**

***Exploitation of Children: Strategies for Intervention in the Cocoa Industry***

Moderator: Ms. Trish Hyde, Chief Executive Officer, Confectionery Manufacturers of Australasia (CMA)

Mr. John B. Trew, CARE USA's Senior Technical Advisor in Child Labor and Education.

Ms. Isabelle Adam, General Secretary for the European Cocoa Association (ECA), based in Brussels.

Ms. Anita Sheth, Save the Children Canada's Senior Analyst, Advocacy, Policy & Research.

**1030-1100**      **Morning Tea**

**1100 – 1230**      **Plenary 6: Children and Labour:  
Further aspects**

Chair: The Hon. Alastair Nicholson AO RFD QC

**Speakers**

Ms Sharan Burrow,  
President Australian Council of Trade Unions and International Trade  
Union Confederation

***How can international trade unions assist in the fight against child  
labour and child exploitation?***

Mr Graeme Innes AM  
Human Rights Commissioner and Commissioner Responsible for  
Disability Discrimination

***Monitoring the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the  
Child in Australia***

Mr Nick D. Mills  
Director Regional Proyecto Primero Aprendo  
CARE Centroamérica, Oficina de Managua

***Eradication of Child Labor Through Education: Myth or Reality ?***

**1230 – 1330 Lunch**

**1330 – 1500**      **Plenary 7: Children and Labour:  
Non-Government Organisation Perspectives**

Chair: His Honour Judge Patrick Mahony DCNZM  
Former Principal Family Court Judge,  
Family Court of New Zealand

**Speakers**

The Rev. Tim Costello AO  
CEO, World Vision, Australia

***Children and Chains: The fight to combat labour exploitation of children***

Mr Bill Bell  
Head of Protection, Save the Children UK

***Child labour and children on the move***

Mr Ramesh Puri  
Country Program Director for Solomon Islands

***Children, young people and sexual exploitation in the Solomon Islands***

Mr John B Trew  
Senior Technical Advisor  
Child Labor and Education, CARE USA

***Evidence based solutions for combating child labour***

**1500 – 1530      Afternoon Tea**

**1530 – 1630      Plenary 8:  
HIV AIDS and Children:**

Chair: His Honour Judge Patrick Mahony DCNZM

**Speaker**

Professor Eddie Mhlanga,  
Nelson Mandela School of Medicine  
University of Kwa-Zulu Natal

***A South African perspective on the effects of HIV/ AIDS on surviving breadwinner children***

1630 – 1800

## Concurrent Workshops

### Workshop 1 (Meeting Rm 1& 2)

Chair: Mr Michael Habermann

Assoc Professor David McCallum  
*Aboriginal Child Removal in Australia  
– Past and Present*

Mr Nepali Sah  
*Getting Children out of Work and Into School:  
Protecting Children from Exploitation, an NGO  
Intervention Model in Nepal*

Ms Natalie Van der Waarden  
*Regulation of Child Employment in Australia*

Ms Sheba Saeed  
*Child Beggars of Lahore*

Ms Krupa Thakrar  
*A review of the Impact of the Cape Town prin-  
ciples on Policy on the Ground and On Practice  
Amongst Child Protection Organisations*

Ms Catherine Chang  
*Stopping the Demand for Trafficking of Children*

Ms Sola Park  
*Adolescent Prostitution in Korea*

Mr Grant Taylor  
*The Role Played by Child Helpline International*

### Workshop 3 (Meeting Rm 4)

Chair: The Hon Alastair Nicholson

*The Lasallian Foundation  
experience with Children in  
Tamil Nadu, India  
20 minute Film*

Speakers:  
Brother Paul Smith AM  
Mr James Sebastine Nanban

### Workshop 2 (Meeting Rm 3)

Chair: Ms Margaret Harrison

Professor Rajul Joshi  
*Child Labour in Restaurants and Eateries:  
a Case Study of Pune City*

Mr Bernard Kiura  
*Non-Formal Education: The Missing Link in the  
Elimination of Worst Forms of Child Labour in Kenya.*

Ms Andrea Perkins  
*Child Soldier Recruitment from a Global Perspective:  
Consequences of State Failure and the Obscurity of  
Human Rights in Complex Political Emergencies )*

Dr Susan Turner  
*Child Employment, Child Work and Child Labour:  
Why the Words Matter*

Ms Sukanya Podder  
*Children in Armed Conflicts and International  
Engagement: Translating Rhetoric to Reality*

Mr John Van Kooy  
*Child Labour in Urban Settings: World Vision's  
Support for 'Ragpicker' Children in Northern India.*

Associate Professor Mario Vinkovic  
*Child Labour from the EU perspective*

Dr Sallie Yea  
*Issues with Exit, Rehabilitation and Reintegration  
of Female Minors Sex Trafficked in the Philippines*

### Workshop 4 (Meeting Rm 5)

Chair: The Hon. Justice Colleen Moore  
Family Court of Australia

*The importance of culture to indigenous children  
– the need to recognise Torres  
Strait Island traditional adoption practices.*

Speakers:  
Mr Steve Mam  
Mr McRose Elu  
Mr Paul Ban

Tuesday 5 August 2008

**0800 – 0900      Plenary 9: Exploitation of children**

Chair: The Hon. Justice Colleen Moore

**Speakers**

Ms Bernadette McMennamin AO,  
CEO Child Wise Australia (ECPAT)

***The fight against sex tourism and child trafficking***

Ms Julie Gale  
Founder Kids Free 2BKids

***The sexualisation of children***

Brother Paul Smith AM  
CEO, Lasallian Foundation

***Passive and Active Exploitation***

**0900 – 1000      Plenary 10: The Protection of Children, Part 1**

Chair: The Hon. Justice Rodney Burr AM

**Speakers**

The Hon. Justice Diana Bryant  
Chief Justice  
Family Court of Australia

***A new approach to the litigation of cases involving children – reducing the tension***

Her Honour Judge Rosemary Riddell  
Family Court of New Zealand

***A legislative approach to the protection of children of separating couples from family violence – the New Zealand experience***

**1000 – 1030      Morning Tea**

**1030 – 1130      Plenary 11: The Protection of Children, Part 2**

Chair: The Hon. Stuart Fowler AM

**Speakers**

His Honour Judge Patrick Mahony DCNZM,  
Former Principal Family Court Judge  
Family Court of New Zealand

***Children’s Rights and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCROC)***

Dr. John Tobin,  
Senior Lecturer in Law, University of Melbourne

***Judging the judges: Do they adopt the Rights Approach in Matters Concerning Children?***

**1130-1300      Plenary 12: Indigenous Children**

Chair: The Hon. Philip Ruddock  
former Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and former Attorney-General of Australia

**Speakers**

Professor Mick Dodson AM  
Director, National Centre for Indigenous Studies College of Law  
Australian National University

Mr Brian Butler, Indigenous Leader and Elder

Assoc. Professor Gracelyn Smallwood AM  
Advisor to the Vice Chancellor of James Cook University on Indigenous Affairs

**Commentary**

The Hon. Ted Mullighan QC

**1300 – 1400      Lunch**

**1400 – 1500      Plenary 13: Cyber Safety and Children**

Chair: Ms Sally Nicholes

**Speakers**

Ms Julie Inman Grant  
Director of Internet Safety and Security  
Microsoft Asia Pacific

Dr Judith Slocombe, CEO  
Alannah and Madeline Foundation,  
National Centre Against Bullying

Federal Agent Brad Shallies  
Superintendent  
National Coordinator Cyber Safety  
High Tech Crime Operations  
Australian Federal Police

**1500-15.30      Plenary 14: Child Employment:  
An Australian Perspective**

Chair: Ms Margaret Harrison

**Speaker**

Professor Andrew Stewart  
John Bray Professor of Law  
University of Adelaide

***A model framework for regulating the employment of children in  
Australia, child labour laws in Australia and how they could be improved***

**1530 – 1600      Afternoon Tea**

1600 – 1700

## Concurrent Workshops

### Workshop 5 (Meeting Rm 1 & 2)

Chair: His Honour Chief Federal Magistrate  
John Pascoe

*ILO-IPEC Greater Mekong  
sub regional project to  
combat trafficking in  
children and women:  
labour migration*

### Workshop 6 (Meeting Rm 3)

*What is best practice in the fight against  
child sex tourism and trafficking*

### Workshop 7 (Meeting Rm 4)

Chair: Ms Margaret Harrison

Ms Jayney Sutcliffe and  
Ms Amanda Lee-Ross  
from Cairns Regional Domestic  
Violence Service

*Domestic violence and children's rights*

### Workshop 8 (Meeting Rm 5)

Chair: Assoc. Professor David McCallum

Mr Fredrick Guluma  
*Child Labour, a Threat to Future Skilled  
Manpower in Uganda.*

Ms Varshini Murali, Ms Subhadra Banda  
and Ms Vidya Narayanswamy  
*Rescue: Will That Be All ? A Critique of the Child  
Labour rehabilitation policy in India*

Professor Caroline Nicholson  
*The Child Labor Dilemma in South Africa*

Dr Riffat Sardar  
*The Protection of Children from Exploitative  
Forms of Child Labor Through Legal reform.*

Ms Prospera Tedam  
*Child Domestic Labor – An African Perspective*

## 1715 – 1800      Plenary 15

Chair: The Hon Alastair Nicholson AO RFD QC

Ms Suraya Pakzad  
Afghan Women's Leader  
Founder "Voice for Women Organisation" Herat, Afghanistan

Recipient 2008 Women of Courage Award from the US Secretary of State, Condoleeza Rice, for work with women and children, including setting up covert schools for girls under the Taliban regime.

## 1800 – 1815      Closing

### **Speakers**

The Hon. Alastair Nicholson AO RFD QC  
The Hon. Justice Stuart Fowler AM

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## General Information

### Registration and Information Desk

Registration will take place on the Mezzanine Level 1.

Please follow the signs. The desk will be open at the following hours:

Sunday 1200 – 1800

Monday 0800 – 1600

Tuesday 0745 – 1400

### Welcome Reception

Sunday 1800 - 1900

This event will follow the Sunday sessions and will take place on the Mezzanine Level. All registrants are welcome. Should you require a guest ticket, these can be purchased at the registration desk prior to the function.

Children's Rights International is very pleased that the Cairns City Council is co-hosting this function and thank them for their contribution to the conference.

### Refreshments

Morning and afternoon tea and lunch will be served on the Mezzanine Level in the convention centre foyers for registrants and speakers. Should you have pre-ordered specially prepared meals, please make yourself known to the convention centre staff and they will be able to assist you.

### Conference Dinner

Monday 1900 - 2200

The conference dinner is being held at The Hilton and there are a limited number of tickets still available. The cost is \$AUD95.00 and the function is not included in your registration fee. Additional tickets may be purchased at the registration desk on Sunday only.

The Hilton is located at 34 The Esplanade and is situated at the commencement of the Marlin Jetty Boardwalk. Please check the hotel function board for direction to the ICCLCE Dinner.

### Namebadges

Would you note that name badges are to be worn at all sessions and all official social functions.

### Mobile Phones

Please ensure that they are switched off during sessions.

### Speakers Preparation Room

Conference Room 6 has been set aside to facilitate the smooth running of the speaking programme. Speakers who have any audio visual requirements should check in there as soon as possible, but certainly at least one full break before the session in which they are presenting.

### Media Room

The media room is located on the Mezzanine Level near the registration desk. Please check in with Bill Jackson first and then go to the registration desk for a Media Badge in order to gain access to sessions.

### Accommodation

Tax Invoices will be available from your hotel for your accommodation when you check out.

The two conference hotels are The Hilton and the Novotel Oasis Resort. The Hilton is located at 34 The Esplanade, and it is situated at the commencement of the Marlin jetty Boardwalk. The Oasis is located at 122 Lake Street.

### Cancellation

We regret that at this stage, if you have to cancel registration, social functions or accommodation no refunds will be possible.

### ISSS Registrations

The Australian Government has very generously funded a number of attendees to the conference from different regions in the world who suffer financial hardship. Would those attendees ensure that they make themselves known to Kerry Meagher at the registration desk.

Should you have any questions in relation to your return trip, please speak to staff at the registration desk.

### Information about Cairns

An information pack has been included in the conference satchel. Should you require assistance in relation to taxis, restaurants or tours, it would be best to speak to staff at the hotel where you are staying. These staff will also be able to assist you with any medical problems, or alternatively request information from the registration desk at the Cairns Convention Centre.

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