

issues of children and adolescents. The social effects and the evolving social policies related to new levels of economic and political globalization, as well as the rapid rise of new biotechnologies, are generating novel queries that beg for a careful multidisciplinary reanalysis of what we know about children and adolescents and of our current definitions, understandings and approaches of the issues. Scholars, experts, knowledgeable members of government and non-government organizations and interested young people are invited to participate.

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A Child-Centred Civilisation

Association for Bahá'í Studies, Canberra

This Conference will seek to examine the realisation of the human rights of children and youth in the International Year for Dialogue Among Civilisations, bringing a diversity of perspectives to this exercise. It will be organised around panels on specific human rights themes, looking at each theme in three ways: the human rights concerned; the issues as they relate to children; children's experience of violation of rights. **Papers are invited on the following or other topics:** Children Seeking Asylum; Children in Poverty; Armed Conflict; Alienation and Exploitation; Juvenile Justice; Education

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COURSES

The NGO Group for the Convention on the Rights of the Child has established an internship programme for persons active in national child rights coalitions. The programme aims to provide an opportunity to learn more about the work of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, as well as the wider human rights system, and to strengthen national child rights coalitions in promoting the implementation of the Convention.

The Professional Internship Programme lasts two months and coincides with the sessions of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child.

Essential costs, including air travel, accommodation, daily living costs and health insurance, will be met by the Programme.

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CRIN REQUESTS

As a network of over 1,000 child rights organisations around the world, the Child Rights Information Network seeks input for various projects. They welcome news of events, publications, campaigns and programmes. If you would like to contribute to the following projects, please email them at info@crin.org.

1/ CRIN welcomes items for its newsletter and email information on resources, websites, publications, studies and events on children and macroeconomics.

2/ Theme desk on Rights of Children living with HIV/AIDS (in advance of "AIDS 2000: the 13th International AIDS conference in Durban, Africa from July 9-14, 2000"). CRIN is currently updating this theme desk and are looking for your news, events, publications, programmes and policies on this topic.

3/ News and events. If you are announcing news or sending out news releases then please add info@crin.org to your mailing list.