

Websites

DCI-Australia's website www.dci-au.org has had lots of updates recently – check it out.

The United Nations Millennium Campaign has launched in collaboration with Nickelodeon, a website for kids on the Millennium Development Goals in 13 different languages. Visit: <http://www.Nick2015.com>

The Human Security Centre, a research centre based at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada, publishes the annual Human Security Report, which tracks and analyses trends in political violence around the world. Funded by five governments, the Report maps the incidence, intensity, causes and consequences of global violence and policy responses to that violence. The 2005 Report was launched on October 17th, and has received world-wide media attention. The Human Security Report is complemented by the Human Security Gateway, a rapidly expanding searchable online database of human security-related resources including reports, journal articles, news items and fact sheets. The Gateway was developed in collaboration with the Canadian Consortium on Human Security (CCHS). It includes a section on Children and Armed Conflict. Abstract submission deadline: 6 January 2006 Paper submission deadline: June 2006 Visit: <http://www.crin.org/resources/infoDetail.asp?ID=6616> To read the Human Security Report 2005, visit: <http://www.crin.org/resources/infoDetail.asp?ID=6444>

Eldis currently includes descriptions and links to over 4,500 organisations and over 16,000 full-text online documents covering development and environmental issues. It can be searched or browsed without charge over the Internet. See its Children and Young People Resource Guide for a complete list of new additions at: <http://www.eldis.org/children>

CRIN (Child Rights Information Network) is currently developing a new website to be launched next year. It will include a new section for children, with listings of organisations that can help them, and child friendly resources on child rights. We are therefore gathering information on such organisations and resources as well as educational materials for parents and teachers. The types of resources we are looking for include books, brochures, leaflets, posters, websites, games,

videos, etc on children's rights. We would be grateful if you could forward details of your resources to info@crin.org, or direct us to your favourites ones.

New Zealand Parentline hosted a conference on children called "Child Summit – Leading the Nation" on 29 – 30 June 2005 in Hamilton. Speakers on the first day included Patmalar Ambikapathy, the first Commissioner for Children in Tasmania, and Ian Hassall, the first Commissioner for Children in New Zealand) and a panel of politicians. The second day looked at several issues around sexual abuse of children. For an update of post conference information go to <http://www.parentline.org.nz/> and choose "Parentline".

Call for Articles

Australian Children's Rights News depends on the input of members affiliates and subscribers to keep providing you with a wide-ranging and informative update on children's rights issues. Others with a viewpoint on children and young people's rights are also invited to submit.



We are now seeking articles to be considered for the first edition of 2006. Contributions of between 700 and 2000 words are preferred and should be e-mailed with full author details to judycash@nsw.bigpond.net.au

Suggested graphics or photos to accompany the article are most welcome. The closing date for receipt of material is 31 March 2006 but please advise the editors as soon as possible if you are planning to submit.

If you have an idea which you would like to discuss, please email Judy Cashmore judycash@bigpond.net.au

Articles published in Australian Children's Rights News may also be placed on the DCI-Australia Website: www.dci-au.org/