



Consultation Group on the Children of Ukraine (CGU)

10th Plenary Meeting, 2-3 July 2026

In-person, Strasbourg

**Meeting Room 3 (2 July) and Meeting Room 7 (3 July), the Palais
Building, Council of Europe**

Draft Agenda

Thursday, 2 July	
9:00 - 9:20	 Opening Remarks: - Irena Guidikova, Head of the Department of Human Dignity and Gender Equality - Jennifer Schuetze-Reymann, Special Advisor on the Children of Ukraine, Children's Rights Division
9:20 - 10:45	 Tour de table: Members and participants will briefly introduce themselves, share key initiatives undertaken by their country or organisation to support children of Ukraine since the last tour de table in April 2026, and highlight current challenges
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 11:30	 Tour de table continued
11:30 - 12:00	 Strengthening Coordination and Cooperation in Child Protection Responses and Possible Return Procedures - Viktor Zelenyi, Director of the Department of State Control over Compliance with Children's Rights, National Social Service of Ukraine

	➤ <i>Update on the Core Group of Experts' work on coordination, cooperation, and safe returns</i> - <i>Morten Kjaerum, Independent expert, Coordinator of Core Group of Experts</i> <i>Discussion moderated by Morten Kjaerum and Jennifer Schuetze-Reymann</i>
12:00 - 12:30	 The Impact of War on Children with Disabilities ➤ <i>Update on the work of the CGU Advisory Group on the Impact of War on Children with Disabilities</i> - <i>Jean-Claude Legrand, Independent expert and co-facilitator of the Advisory Group</i> - <i>Elayn Sammon, Independent expert and co-facilitator of the Advisory Group (online)</i> <i>Discussion moderated by Antonina Gain Trotignon, Programme Manager, French Social Ministries, CGU member on behalf of France, member of the CGU Advisory Group</i>
12:30 - 13:00	 Documenting the Situation of Children in Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine ➤ <i>Children's Rights under Occupation: Monitoring, Documentation of Violations and International Advocacy</i> - <i>Maksym Tselikh, Secretariat of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights</i> ➤ <i>United Nations Monitoring Mission: Updates and the Challenge of Evidence in Temporarily Occupied Territories</i> - <i>Danielle Bell, United Nations Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine (online)</i> <i>Discussion moderated by Dr Kateryna Busol, Head of Ukraine Program, International Center for Transitional Justice</i>
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 14:30	 Access to Education in Times of War ➤ <i>Update on CGU Group's work in addressing challenges of children's access to education in other Council of Europe Member States</i> - <i>Olena Styslavska, Council of Europe Independent Expert (online)</i> <i>Discussion moderated by Tinatin Uplisashvili, CGU Secretariat, Education Workstream Lead, Children's Rights Division</i>

14:30 - 15:00	Coffee break
15:00 - 15:30	 Psycho-social support and trauma-informed care ➤ Update on CGU Dialogue Group on Psychological Support and Trauma-informed Care - Laura Korhonen, Chair of the CGU Dialogue Group, professor of child and adolescent psychiatry, director of the National Centre Barnafriid, Sweden Session moderated by Marie-Ann Karlsson, CGU member from Sweden, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs
15:30-15:50	 Wrapping Up: Final Remarks, Concrete Takeaways, and Proposed Way Forward Session moderated by Jennifer Schuetze-Reymann and Jean-Claude Legrand, Independent Child Rights Expert and CGU Facilitator
15:50-16:00	Short technical break
16:00 - 17:45	 Exchange of views with: ➤ Special Envoy of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe on the Situation on the Children of Ukraine, Thórdís Kolbrún Reykjard Gylfadóttir ➤ UN Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Vanessa Frazier ➤ OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Special Envoy on Russian Abductions and Deportations of Ukrainian Children, Carina Ödebrink Opened by H.E. Mr Gabriel Revel, President of the Ministers' Deputies, Permanent Representative of Monaco to the Council of Europe Moderated by Marja Ruotanen, Director General of Democracy and Human Dignity
17:45 - 19:00	Cocktail reception – CM Foyer, Palais Building

Friday, 3 July

9:30 – 17:00	SPECIAL HEARING on Advancing Accountability, Protection and Remedies for Children Affected by Conflict-Related Sexual Violence An agenda will be disseminated separately.
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