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## Draft Programme

Conference on Deported Ukrainian Children: European actions  
organised under the patronage of the First Lady of Finland Ms Suzanne  
Elizabeth Innes-Stubb  
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### 09:30-10:30 Introductory statements

- Ms. Miapetra Kumpula-Natri, Vice-President of PACE, Introductory words
- Mr. Jussi Halla-aho, Speaker of the Parliament of Finland, Welcoming words
- Ms. Sanni Grahn-Laasonen, Minister of Social Security, Finland
- Mr. Michael McGrath, EU Commissioner for Justice (video message)
- Ms. Despina Chatzivassiliou, Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

### 10:30-12:00 Illegality of deportation of Ukrainian children: accountability and restoration of justice

*Moderated by: Ms. Olena Khomenko (Ukrainian MP, Chair of the PACE Network Ukrainian Children)*

- Ms. Pia Kauma, President of the OSCE PA
- Mr. Dmytro Lubinets, Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights, ONLINE
- Mr. Andrew Gardner, ODIHR, Deputy Head of the Human Rights Department
- Ms. Victoria Litvinova, Acting Prosecutor General of Ukraine
- Ms. Kateryna Rashevskaya, legal expert at the Regional Center for Human Rights
- Ms Katarina Lughofer, Head of Sector Director's Office, EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)

### Discussion

12:00-13:00 LUNCH IN-HOUSE

## 13:00-14:30 Return of children: what can be done?

Moderated by: *Ms. Miapetra Kumpula-Natri (Finnish MP, Vice-President of PACE)*

- Ms Ewa Kopacz, Vice-President of the European Parliament (video message)
- Ms. Dariia Zarivna, Operational Director of the Bring Kids Back UA Initiative
- Mr. Nathaniel Raymond, Executive Director of the Humanitarian Research Lab at Yale University
- Ms. Maria Stockhaus, Vice-President of the Nordic Council
- Lady Helena Kennedy, co-chair of the Bring Kids Back Task Force and Director of the International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute (IBAHRI), ONLINE
- Ms. Iryna Tuliakova, Head of Coordination Centre for Family Upbringing and Child Care in Ukraine

## Discussion

*14.30-15.00 COFFEE BREAK*

## 15.00-16.15 Future needs of returned children, their rehabilitation and reintegration

Moderated by: *Ms. Kasia Madera (Journalist, BBC world news presenter)*

- Ms. Thórdís Kolbrún Reykfjörð Gylfadóttir, Special Envoy on the situation of children of Ukraine
- Ms. Elina Pekkarinen, Ombudsman for Children (Finland), Chairperson of ENOC
- Ms. Oleksandra Matviichuk (Centre for Civil Liberties), Nobel Peace Prize 2022, ONLINE
- Ms. Mariam Lambert, CEO/Co-Founder/ Emile Foundation

## Discussion