

**Meeting of the Parliamentary Network  
on the Situation of the Children of Ukraine**

**“RESTORING CHILDHOOD: PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL  
REHABILITATION OF WAR-AFFECTED UKRAINIAN CHILDREN”**

*17-18 October 2025, Tallinn, Estonia*

The Parliamentary Network on the Situation of the Children of Ukraine will hold a meeting in Estonia dedicated to the rehabilitation of Ukrainian children affected by the war. The meeting will focus on practical steps which can be taken to support Ukrainian children who have suffered traumatic experiences as a result of war.

The war has left tens of thousands of Ukrainian children with severe physical injuries, untreated chronic illnesses, and invisible psychological wounds. Rehabilitation is not only a matter of restoring health – it is about restoring childhood, dignity, and hope. This meeting will focus on two critical dimensions:

- **Physical rehabilitation** – including medical treatment, prosthetics, rehabilitation centres, and recovery programmes in Ukraine and abroad.
- **Psychological rehabilitation** – addressing trauma recovery, resilience-building, and reintegration into family and community life.

This meeting will bring together parliamentarians from PACE, Ukrainian officials, Estonian experts, and representatives of leading NGOs to exchange knowledge, share best practices, and strengthen cooperation in supporting children’s recovery.

The meeting will include panel discussion, screening of a short documentary, and Q&A session with the members of the Network.

**Working languages:** English and French

PROGRAMME

**Day 1 (October 17)**

**Venue: Conference Hall of the Parliament of Estonia, Riigikogu (Lossi plats 1a, Tallinn)**

08:30 - 09:00	<b>Welcome coffee and registration</b>
09:00 – 09:30	<p><b>Opening Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Welcome remarks by the Chair of the Network <b>Ms Olena Khomenko</b></li> <li>● Host country welcome: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Mr Lauri Hussar</b>, President of the Riigikogu</li> <li>- <b>Mr Margus Tsahkna</b>, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Estonia</li> <li>- <b>Ms Kadri Tali</b>, Head of the Estonian Delegation to the PACE</li> <li>- <b>Mr Eerik-Niiles Kross</b>, Member of the Riigikogu</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
09:30 – 11:10	<p><b>Session I – Physical Rehabilitation</b></p> <p><b>Moderation by Ms Olena Khomenko</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Ms Karmen Joller</b>, Minister of Health of Estonia</li> <li>● <b>Mr Vasyl Strilka</b>, Director of the Department of High-Tech Medical Care and Innovations of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine</li> <li>● <b>Mr Pavlo Andrieiev</b>, Head of Physical Rehabilitation Department of Okhmatdyt National Children’s Hospital</li> <li>● <b>Ms Olga Rudnieva</b>, CEO of Superhumans Rehabilitation Centre</li> <li>● <b>Ms Roksolana Yurchyshyn</b>, <b>Child Psychiatrist at St.Nicholas Hospital, UNBROKEN Kids</b></li> <li>● <b>Ms Anna Mikkonen-Berg</b>, Chief Executive Officer at Lapssi OÜ</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A and discussion with Network members</p>
11:10 – 12:10	<b>Brainstorming Session</b> (moderated by <b>Mr Eerik-Niiles Kross</b> and <b>Ms Miapetra Kumpula-Natri</b> )
12:10 – 12:25	<b>Family photo</b> (White Hall)
12:25 – 13:25	Networking Lunch (Cafeteria of the Riigikogu)
13:30 – 14:00	<p><b>Screening of the documentary “Stolen Childhood” (30 min)</b> Produced by “Gen.Ukrainian”, this documentary highlights the invisible traumas carried by Ukrainian children affected by the war</p>
	<p><b>Session II – Psychological Rehabilitation</b></p> <p><b>Moderation by Ms Minna-Liina Lind</b>, Undersecretary for Global Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs</p>

14:00 – 15:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introductory remarks by <b>Ms Signe Riisalo</b>, Chairman of the Social Affairs Committee of the Riigikogu</li> <li>• <b>Ms Thórdís Kolbrún Reykfjörd Gylfadóttir</b>, Special Envoy of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe on the situation of children of Ukraine (online TBC);</li> <li>• <b>Mr Kyrylo Lapko</b>, Secretary of the Coordination Centre for Family Upbringing and Child Care Development;</li> <li>• <b>Ms Nataliia Masiak</b>, Child psychiatrist and psychotherapist, „Voices of Children“;</li> <li>• <b>Ms Roksolana Yurchyshyn</b>, Child And Adolescent Psychiatrist at St.Nicholas Hospital, UNBROKEN Kids;</li> <li>• <b>Ms Katrin Aarma</b>, MHPSS advisor, Mental Health Department, Ministry of Social Affairs</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A and discussion with Network members</p>
15:30 – 16:30	<b>Brainstorming Session</b> (moderated by <b>Ms Miapetra Kumpula-Natri</b> and <b>Mr Eerik-Niiles Kross</b> )
16:30 – 17:00	<p>Conclusions and recommendations from the brainstorming sessions and closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ms Olena Khomenko</b></li> <li>• <b>Ms Miapetra Kumpula-Natri</b></li> <li>• <b>Mr Eerik-Niiles Kross</b></li> </ul>
17:00 – 17:15	Departure from the Riigikogu to the Ukrainian School by foot
17:15 – 18:30	Visit of the Ukrainian School (Endla Street 13) and meeting with the Director, <b>Ms Olga Selištševa</b>

<b>Day 2 (October 18) Optional Programme</b>	
9:30 – 9:45	Departure by bus from the Radisson Collection Hotel to the Ukrainian Cultural Center
10.00 – 12:00	Visit of the Ukrainian Cultural Center (Laboratooriumi Street 22) and meeting with the founder, <b>Mr Anatoli Ljutjuk</b> and <b>Mr Bogdan Ljutjuk</b>
12:30 – 14:00	Networking Lunch at the Restaurant Ame (Nunne Street 14)

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Departure by bus from the Restaurant to Radisson Collection Hotel