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Study Programme					
	Monday 30 May	Tuesday 31 May	Wednesday 1 June	Thursday 2 June	Friday 3 June
	<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Children's rights standards and monitoring system at international and national level</b>	<b>National implementation and monitoring process</b>	<b>A case of study: Africa</b>	<b>Children's Rights and Environment</b>
9.00-10.30	<i>Welcome address: Programme overview and presentations</i> <i>P. Jaffé (SS Director)</i> <i>J. Zermatten (SS Director)</i> <i>R. Ruggiero (SS Director &amp; Coordinator)</i>	UN Committee on the Right of the Child: role, structure, functioning and methods of work <u>N. Sahovic</u> Former Member UN CRC Committee	Independent Children's Rights Monitoring Institutions as triggers of 'good governance' <u>R. Ruggiero</u> Senior Researcher Associate CCRS - UNIGE	Children's Rights in Africa <u>B. D. Mezmur</u> Former chair of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child	Children's rights and the environment <u>S. Duyck</u> <u>Senior Attorney CIEL</u>
10.30-11.00	<b>Break</b>				
11.00-12.30	Background and main themes of the CRC: past and present debate <u>N. Sahovic</u> Former Member UN CRC Committee	UN children's rights monitoring mechanisms: the CRC Communications Procedure <u>R. Winter</u> Former Chair and Member UN CRC Committee	State obligations: the implementation procedure <u>J. Zermatten and R. Ruggiero</u>	Children's rights monitoring systems in Africa <u>B. D. Mezmur</u> Former chair of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child	General Comment no. 26: work in progress <u>V. Todorova</u> <u>P. Jaffé</u> Members UN Committee on the Rights of the Child
12.30-14.00	<b>Break</b>				
14.00-15.30	<b>Introduction Project work</b>	<b>Discussion Forum (Presence + Online) 13.30 – 14.45</b>  <b>Meet the Members of the UN CRC Committee</b>  With: <u>Velina Todorova</u> <u>Sopio Kiladze</u> <u>Amal Salman Aldoseri</u> Facilitator: <u>Philip Jaffé</u> <u>Vice-chair UN CRC Committee</u>	<b>Child Rights Connect</b>  NGO's role in the implementation and monitoring process <u>I. Paolazzi and F. Chappuis</u> Child Rights Connect	<b>Roundtable</b>  Emerging Challenges in the African Region  With: Experts (TBC)  Facilitator:  Ann Shelton UNESCO Chair: Education Law in Africa Faculty of Law University of Pretoria Member UN CRC Committee and  Karabo Ozah Director of the Centre for Child a dcutrer at the Department of Private Law of the University of Pretoria.	Children Participation in the environmental debate.  E. Grindulis Child Rights Connect and B. Gudbrandsson Member UN CRC Committee
15.30-16.00					
16.00-17.30	<b>Child Participation</b>	Child participation: implementation and monitoring <u>G. Lansdown</u> Independent Expert on Children's Rights	<b>Project work</b>	<b>(17h30 à 19h00)</b>  <b>Webinar</b> Platforms and Democracy: the game of influence on Youth's political opinion  In collaboration with the UNIGE Digital Law Centre	Children's rights and environment: law and policy  David R. Boyd  Special Rapporteur on human rights and the environment

	Monday 6 June	Tuesday 7 June	Wednesday 8 June	Thursday 9 July	Friday 10 July
	<b>Project Work and Geneva tour</b>	<b>Digital Environment</b> <b>Children's rights and migration</b>	<b>Juvenile Justice and detention</b> <b>A case of study: Caribbean region</b>	<b>Project Work Presentation</b>	<b>Farewell</b>
9.00-10.30	<b>Visit to the United Nations International Telecommunication Union (ITU)</b>	CRC General Comment 25: Children's rights in relation to the digital environment <u>P. Jaffé</u> <u>O. Khazova</u>	Juvenile justice: General Comment no. 24  <u>B. Van Keirsbilck</u> Professor University of Pretoria and Member UN CRC Committee	<b>Project work submission (deadline 10.00 am Swiss time)</b>	<b>Virtual Discovery of Geneva</b>
10.30-11.00	<b>Break</b>				
11.00-12.30	<b>Visit to the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Museum</b>	Child participation and Social Media <u>G. Lansdown</u> Independent Expert on Children's Rights	Children's rights in the enforcement of custodial measures <u>B. Van Keirsbilck</u> Director DCI Belgium and Member UN CRC Committee	<b>Preparation for the oral presentations (Project work)</b>	<b>Virtual visit to the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Museum</b>
12.30-14.00	<b>Break</b>				
14.00-15.30	<b>Project work</b>	<b>Discussion Forum: (online) Meet the Members of the UN Committees</b>  With: Renate Winter Rinchen Chopel Hynd AYOUBI IDRISI Facilitator: Philip Jaffé	Budgeting in the Caribbean for child protection, social protection and education <u>A. Henry-Lee</u> Senior Research Fellow – UWI	Presentation of Group works (PART I)	Programme evaluation session, closing ceremony and drinks <u>P. Jaffé</u> <u>J. Zermatten</u> <u>R. Ruggiero</u>
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16.00-17.30	<b>Project work</b>	<b>UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)</b>  Introduction to children and forced displacement and UNHCR's child protection work <u>S. Nquti</u> Protection Officer, UNHCR  ---  Introduction to the revised BIP procedures. <u>C. Speck</u> Protection Officer, UNHCR	<b>Roundtable</b> Children's rights debate in the CARICOM Region  With: <u>Hazel Thompson</u> , <u>Roberta Clarke</u> and <u>Diahann Gordon Harrison</u> Facilitators: <u>Jessica Byron</u> Director Institute of International Relations of the UWI <u>Ria Carrera-Toney</u> , Children's Court in Tobago	Presentation of Group works (PART II)	