

CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE

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About the conference

Concerns that children's rights are being newly infringed rather than enhanced in the digital age are often raised by researchers, child rights' advocates, and internet governance experts. Children's needs and experiences in the digital age are often neglected in high-level debates about global internet provision and governance and children's rights are treated as a minority interest and seen as demanding exceptional treatment from adult society. Further, current debates frequently emphasise the risks children potentially face online and underline their right to protection but much less debate focuses on children's provision and participation rights and the opportunities children may encounter online.

The conference seeks to unpack the ways digital media intersect – both positively and negatively – with children's rights today and to reflect on how children's rights might provide a meaningful counterpoint from which to consider the role of 'the digital' in advancing human rights more broadly.

With over 40 papers from 22 countries worldwide, the conference will foster an international debate on key issues related to children's and young people's rights in the digital age, including: child and youth participation rights; online opportunities and risks; inequalities and digital exclusion; policy and multi-stakeholder governance; the role of peers and peer culture; participatory research; e-learning, health promotion and creativity in the digital environment; cross-generational dynamics of online engagement.

Convenors: *Sonia Livingstone, Amanda Third and Mariya Stoilova*

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26 July

1:00-2:00	Registration
2:00-2:30	Welcome by Sonia Livingstone (LSE) Children's rights to opportunities and participation in the digital age (Amanda Third, Western Sidney University)
2.30-3:45	Parallel Sessions I
3.45-4:15	Break
4.15-5.30	Parallel Sessions II
5.30-6.15	Global Kids Online Plenary (Sonia Livingstone, LSE and Jasmina Byrne, UNICEF; other panel members TBC)
6.30-7.30	Reception
8.00	Optional Dinner

27 July

9:00-9:30	Breakfast
9.30-10.45	Parallel Sessions III
10.45-11.15	Break
11.15-12.30	Parallel Sessions IV
12.30-1:00	Final plenary