



Alternative forms of care for children without adequate family support: sharing good practices and positive experiences

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AGENDA

9.00 **REGISTRATION**

9.30 **Welcome address**

ALESSANDRA MAGGI, Istituto degli Innocenti President
ROBERTA RUGGIERO, Coordination ChildONEurope Secretariat
Moderator: RAFFAELLA PREGLIASCO, ChildONEurope Secretariat

10.00 **FIRST SESSION** • The international context

UN Guidelines on Alternative Care for Children. The challenges of out-of-home care: is it the only possible solution?, NIGEL CANTWELL, Independent Consultant on Child Protection

Children and young people in care: children empowerment and participation
MONA SANDBAK, Council of Europe, Building a Europe for and with children

11.00 **COFFEE BREAK**

11.15 **A comparative European analysis of national experiences of children in alternative care**, MICHELA COSTA, in charge of Eurochild's thematic working group on Children in Alternative Care and coordinating the policy and the advocacy activities in this area

11.45 **What it means to provide quality care to children**, SAMANTHA TEDESCO, SOS Children's Villages

12.15 **Programmed interventions and debate**

12.45 **SECOND SESSION** • Introduction to Working Groups

13.00 **LUNCH**

14.00 **SECOND SESSION** • Working Groups

1. Empowerment and participation of children and young people in care

Expert: VALERIO BELOTTI, Sociology Professor at the University of Padua, Italy
Coordinator: ADRIANA CIAMPA, Ministry of Labour and Social Policies, Italy

2. Family foster care: children live with non-relative adults who have been trained, assessed, and licensed or certified to provide shelter and care

Expert: VINCENT RAMON, Project officer for ANPF French fostering network, France
Coordinator: CLAUDE JANIZZI, Executive Advisor Ministry of Family and Integration, Luxembourg

3. Residential/group care: includes community-based group homes, campus-style residential facilities, and secure facilities for children with physical or behavioural needs that require the structure and services of residential or group settings (also called congregate care and institutional care)

Expert: JEAN-LOUIS NOUVEL, PhD psychiatrist, President of Riafet French Treatment Foster Care Network
Coordinator: ERIKA BERNACCHI, ChildONEurope Secretariat

16.00-17.00 **THIRD SESSION** • Panel discussion: results of working groups and debate and concluding remarks

Moderator: MARIE-PAULE MARTIN BLACHAIS