The United Nations presents:

Which Children Matter?

This screening will be followed by a panel discussion featuring:

**Jenne Magno**

Jenne has had the privilege of working extensively in the developing world, facilitating community-led initiatives that replace top-down, unidirectional giving schemes with symbiotic, multi-stakeholder partnerships. She has specialized in integrated development, establishing community-university partnerships to address interdependent development needs (agriculture/food security, health, education). Jenne founded and now directs the public benefit company Prameni in the Czech Republic. She produces and directs documentary films about extraordinary educators as well as about education and social justice.

**Andor Urmos**

Andor Urmos is Policy Officer at Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy (EU Commission). His main responsibility covers the thematic coordination of European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) programs. It includes: integration of migrants and refugees, Roma inclusion, healthcare, shift to community-based services, improving access to basic services by marginalised and disabled communities, measures responding to the demographic challenges. He was graduated as a medical doctor and economist. Previously employed by the Government of Hungary, in the Ministry of Social Affairs, as Head of Department for Roma Integration.

**Jana Balazova**

Jana Balazova has joined the EU institutions 14 years ago, working on different portfolios. She is the longest-serving member of the Non-discrimination and Roma coordination Unit in the Directorate General Justice of the European Commission. At her post, she contributes to the development of the European Union’s Roma inclusion policy. Her legal background coupled with the thorough knowledge and expertise and being herself Slovak of Roma origin allowed her to get involved in launching infringement proceedings on discrimination of Roma children against Czechia and Slovakia, among others.

**Claude Cahn**

Claude Cahn has worked in multiple capacities for OHCHR since 2009, in Moldova, Serbia and currently the Regional Office for Europe in Brussels. He was previously Head of Advocacy Unit with the Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions (2007-2009). Between 1996 and 2007, he worked for the European Roma Rights Centre (ERRC). Mr. Cahn’s areas of expertise include human rights law and policy, equality and anti-discrimination law, minority rights, economic and social rights, migration and refugee law, environmental justice, the law of the rights of persons with disabilities, human rights in the field of health, and matters relating to Romani communities. He holds degrees in Law, History and Literature.

**Deborah Seward**

Deborah is Director of the United Nations Regional Information Centre (UNRIC) in Brussels. Prior to arriving in Brussels, she served as Director of the Department of Public Information’s Strategic Communications Division at UN Headquarters New York. Before joining the United Nations in 2011, Ms. Seward was an international journalist for nearly 25 years, with postings in Berlin, Bonn, Moscow, New York, Paris, Prague and Warsaw. She holds an honours degree in history from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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Racial and ethnic discrimination occur on a daily basis, hindering progress for millions of people around the world. Racism and intolerance can take various forms — from denying individuals the basic principles of equality to fuelling ethnic hatred that may lead to genocide — all of which can destroy lives and fracture communities. The struggle against racism is a matter of priority for the international community and is at the heart of the work of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Every day, each and every one of us can stand up against racial prejudice and intolerant attitudes. In the lead-up to the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in December 2018, join us in fighting racism and standing up for human rights!

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