

Agenda 2030 for Children: End Violence Solutions Summit

14-15 February 2018 | Stockholm, Sweden

Prevention Political Will – Action – Collaboration Solutions

There is growing evidence that violence against children is preventable, and mounting public consensus that it will no longer be tolerated. Guided by our strong commitment to children's rights, we can prevent and end violence against children by investing in safe, stable and nurturing environments that let children thrive.

The INSPIRE package builds on our growing understanding of the ways in which violence can be prevented. Evidence shows that interventions are most effective when they are implemented as part of a comprehensive, multi-sectoral plan harnessing the seven INSPIRE strategies, working in combination and reinforcing each other. This means that coordination mechanisms are essential. No single sector alone can ensure good outcomes and secure children's protection from violence.

The goals of this Summit are:

- to highlight and share mutually supporting initiatives that advance the cause of children's rights, and to prevent and bring to an end to all forms of violence against children. This is called for in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and is promoted by the Global Partnership to End Violence;
- to spread solutions that end violence against children; to highlight how the Partnership supports the 2030 Agenda and strengthens children's rights; and
- to make the rights of the child known and safeguarded; and to reinforce a shared commitment for action to end all forms of violence against children.



Day 1: Wednesday 14 February

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

Session 1: Opening

09:00 – 09:30 Pernilla Baralt, State Secretary, Swedish government introduces speakers and moderators

Keynote speakers

- Stefan Löfven, Prime Minister, Sweden (TBC)
- H.M. Silvia, Queen of Sweden
- Amina J. Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations

Moderators

- Olivia Wigzell, DG National Board for Health and Welfare
- Mikael Ribbenvik, DG Swedish Migration Agency
- Youth Delegate

Session 2: The Stakeholders of End Violence

9:30 – 10:30 Questions to leaders: How can we collectively make a difference and what is my sector doing to achieve 2030 Agenda 16.2 and related targets?

Introduction: Henrietta H. Fore, UNICEF Executive Director

Speakers

- Penny Mordaunt, UK Secretary of State for International Development
- Elisabeth Dahlin, Secretary-General, Save the Children Sweden
- Representative of the private sector
- Representative from a pathfinder country

Youth Delegate presents 3-minute film

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

Session 3: INSPIRE

11:00 – 11:15 Ending the Violence Against Children Epidemic. An animated short film: INSPIRE, how it works and why it is important

Speaker: Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General of the World Health Organization

11:15- 11:45 Conversation among leaders: The fundamental principles for sustainable systems, governance and coordination

Participants

- Ministers from pathfinding countries, Group 1: What it means to be a pathfinding country and why audience members should join the movement to End Violence

11:45 – 12:00 End Violence presents: An animated short film on what is a pathfinding country and how to become one

12:00 – 12:45 Conversation among leaders (continues)

Participants

- Ministers from pathfinding countries, Group 2: Leadership and good practice implementing INSPIRE

12:45 – 12:55 Children's reflection: Thoughts on the morning's sessions and the afternoon's work

12:55 – 13:00 Introduction the workshop process

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch

Session 4: Six Parallel Workshops

14:30 - 16:00 Workshops (A, B, C, D, E, and F): simultaneously run sessions

Teams & Process

- Ministers from Pathfinding Countries as co-chairs and/or commentators
- Expert/research practitioners as co-chairs
- Issue papers will be distributed for each session and will include guiding questions
- Workshops will focus on solutions and adaptations to solutions

Workshops descriptions and objectives on pages 5 and 6

Coffee served during the workshops ●

Session 5: INSPIRE: Implementation Underway

16:15 – 17:00 Conversation among leaders: Returning from the workshops, selected representatives will discuss what they will 'take home' to accelerate action in their regions and nations

- ✓ What is the most innovative effort discussed in your workshop?
- ✓ How can projects be best adapted to national contexts while implementing INSPIRE strategies?
- ✓ What is needed to create a fully multi-sectoral effort in your own context?

Participants

- Ministers
- Civil society representatives
- UN actors
- Children

Session 6: Investing in Violence Prevention and Response: The costs of inaction

17:00 – 17:30 The costs of violence: How and why we need to invest

- Sweden's Gapminder Team, Karolinska Institutet (TBC)

Session 7: Closure, Day 1

17:30– 18:00 Reflections:

- Pernilla Baralt, State Secretary to the Minister for Children, the Elderly and Gender Equality
- Victoria Atkins, UK Home Office Minister for Crime, Safeguarding and Vulnerability
- Susan Bissell, Founding Director, Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children

19:00 Dinner at Stockholm City Hall, hosted by the City of Stockholm ●

The Stockholm City Hall is one of Sweden's most famous buildings, and one of the capital's most visited tourist attractions. It is famous for its grand ceremonial halls and unique pieces of art and is the venue of the Nobel Prize banquet held on 10th of December each year. It also houses offices for 200 people, including the Municipal Council.

Day 2: Thursday 15 February

Session 8: The SRSG on Violence Against Children: The Global Partnership to End Violence

09:00 – 09:05 Welcome back by moderators – Olivia Wigzell and Mikael Ribbenvik

09:05 – 09:15 Marta Santos Pais: Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General on Violence Against Children

Session 9: Three Pillars of the Fund

09:15 – 09:35 Conversation among leaders Why early and continued violence-prevention interventions are needed throughout childhood and adolescence

Session 10: Gender-Responsive Approaches

09:35 - 10:30 Conversation among leaders: Why promoting gender-responsive approaches to ending violence against children is so essential; evidence from around the world, including interventions that address gender norms, violence against women and violence against children intersections and the role of boys, men and masculinity

Participants

- Government representatives
- UN actors
- Research practitioners
- Civil society representatives
- Private Sector

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

Session 11: Why Partnerships Matter

11:00 – 11:10 Youth Delegates: A Brief Reflection on the Global Partnership

11:10 – 12:00 Conversation among leaders: Partnerships comprise the many stakeholders who participate in tandem to create sustainable change. Here we look at the experiences of two key types of stakeholders, government and existing global partnerships, who work hand in hand to promote children's well-being. They will answer four key questions:

- ✓ How has your partnership helped propel action on children's issues?
- ✓ What are the best 'lessons learned' in the process of building your global partnership for children?
- ✓ What advice would you give to the Global Partnership to End Violence as we collectively move forward?
- ✓ How will your partnership commit to working with the Global Partnership to End Violence as we collectively address the SDGs?

Participants

- Representatives from Partnerships

Session 12: Recommendations and Closure

12:00 - 12:15 Proclamation: Statements of commitments to ending violence against children, key stakeholders take the stage

- Pernilla Baralt & Kathleen Cravero

12:15 - 12:45 Closing remarks: Åsa Regnér, Minister for Children, the Elderly and Gender Equality

13:00 Lunch

End of the Summit

Annex: Workshops

A. Promoting Safe Environments: Corporal punishment in the home and school

Corporal punishment violates children's fundamental rights to dignity and bodily integrity. But by impacting upon their engagement with schooling, it can reinforce inequality and have long-lasting implications for their life chances. Violence that happens in the home is often reinforced in the school, and vice-versa. In this workshop, we will explore and exchange approaches that use research, advocacy and action to accelerate sound legislation and sustain improved practice.

In this workshop participants will:

- Review aspects of good legislation as an important first step towards eradicating corporal punishment, while recognizing that laws on their own are not sufficient;
- Identify why bans are not always implemented and learn the steps to change this;
- Exchange experiences with interventions that support positive teaching practices and address the myth that physical violence promotes children's learning and development;
- Raise the profile of the EVAC Fund as a vehicle to achieve change on the ground and provide a compelling rationale for future donations.

B. Strengthening Social Protection Systems: The role of prevention and coordination among key actors

Building social protection systems to address children's vulnerabilities – including susceptibility to violence, exploitation, abuse and neglect – is now widely seen as an important part of poverty reduction strategies. Economic support measures alone will not be enough, but must work in tandem with a multi-sectoral approach that deals with the underlying causes of violence. We must prevent violence from happening in the first place. All stakeholders and sectors must contribute to a child's well-being in school, in health care, in social work, in the legal/justice systems and in the community. Ideas, approaches, adaptations and successes will be shared in this workshop.

In this workshop participants will:

- Review aspects of programmes that support positive parenting and investment in early childhood initiatives;
- Identify institutional and organizational constraints, within different national contexts, that may be holding back the expansion of some programmes; and look at ways to create stronger interagency coordination to help programmes work well together;
- Exchange experiences with interventions that use effective coordination mechanisms to address violence prevention; and discuss how systems can

meet the needs of children on the move. These children are too often overlooked or misunderstood;

- raise the profile of the EVAC Fund as a vehicle to achieve change on the ground and provide a compelling rationale for future donations.

C. Protecting against violence and abuse online: Children in the Digital Age

Technology empowers billions of people to connect, learn and explore the world in ways previously unimaginable. But there are unforeseen consequences of technology, too, that enable criminals to harm the most innocent and vulnerable in society. Never before has it been easier for perpetrators of child sexual exploitation to make contact with children around the world, share images of abuse, and encourage each other to commit further crimes. This is a borderless crime that demands a global response. The WePROTECT Global Alliance is the multi-stakeholder, international global movement that brings together the influence, expertise and resources required to help transform how online child sexual exploitation is dealt with worldwide. The WePROTECT Global Alliance is supporting countries to establish and develop coordinated national responses to online child sexual exploitation, guided by the WePROTECT Global Alliance Model National Response (MNR) to Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

Members of the WePROTECT Global Alliance have committed to taking action to tackle online child sexual exploitation in line with the MNR, and have been asked to complete a National Reporting Survey (NRS) by 15 December 2017. This workshop presents a great opportunity to share best practice, lessons learned and identify common barriers to implementation, based on survey responses. The WePROTECT Global Alliance will also present their latest research into the global threat of online child sexual exploitation to provide a context to discussions on where best to focus efforts to build national capacity to respond to the threat.

In this workshop participants will:

- Review insights from the WePROTECT Global Alliance's analysis of country member responses to the national reporting survey, and current insights on the global threat of online child sexual exploitation, to identify where to best focus efforts to build national capacity to respond;
- Exchange experiences with developing a national response to online child sexual exploitation, share best practices and lessons learned;
- Identify areas the WePROTECT Global Alliance can best support national efforts to respond to the threat;
- Raise the profile of the EVAC Fund as a vehicle to achieve change on the ground and provide a compelling rationale for future donations.

D. Child protection in conflict and crisis situations

From 2000 to 2016, over 3.5 billion people worldwide were affected by humanitarian crises and natural disasters. More than half of them were children. The scale of response required in these situations is placing increasing pressure on the humanitarian sector to find more efficient ways of meeting the needs of affected populations. During complex humanitarian crises, lives are uprooted and the systems working to keep children safe – in their homes, schools and communities – may be undermined or damaged. In this workshop, we learn about innovative approaches, from the front line, on how to work with local authorities and communities to prevent violence, exploitation, negligence and abuse involving children.

In this workshop participants will:

- Review positive experiences with safeguarding the rights and protection of children affected by community violence and conflict;
- Identify different approaches and frameworks (including their limitations) applied towards children at risk, including those in short-term and long-term conflict as well as refugee children;
- Exchange experiences of psychological and social support interventions from different national contexts, including efforts to heal, recover, and reintegrate;
- Raise the profile of the EVAC Fund as a vehicle to achieve change on the ground and provide a compelling rationale for future donations.

E. Using Data to Drive Change: Improving policies and programmes to end violence against children

Advances using public health methods in the field of violence prevention and response have led to great achievements in understanding violence and taking action to respond to it. As the sector develops, it is critical to push for quantifiable reductions in violence through strong data collection, solid programme design and effective measures of change through both monitoring and evaluation. Doing this, especially when engaging children in the process, requires attention to process, method, and ethics. Multi-method approaches better reflect the diversity of children's experiences and competencies, and they recognize the strength of quantitative surveys and the depth of qualitative inquiry. In this workshop, learn about innovative ways to employ data to drive change.

In this workshop participants will:

- Review the basic principles of what is behind a violence statistic (including the meanings of terms like prevalence, incidence, disaggregation, causality, etc.) and learn how numbers can influence policymakers;

- Identify different types and uses of data for advocacy to demonstrate how numbers (quantitative) and narrative (qualitative) can be used in all countries to produce evidence that mobilizes social change;
- Exchange and experience the use of mixed methods, including participatory and inclusive methodologies, placing the voices of children at the centre of the research process;
- Raise the profile of the EVAC Fund as a vehicle to achieve change on the ground and provide a compelling rationale for future donations.

F. Children's workshop

The last 20 years have been a period of both advocacy and strategizing: advocacy to promote and legitimize the concept of participation, and exploration of strategies for putting that idea into practice. Indeed, for many people, children's rights have become synonymous with participation. What is now needed is a stronger focus on embedding participation as a sustainable right for all children, in all areas of their lives. In this workshop, children's concerns about violence (including all topics) will be analyzed and interpreted by children themselves. This workshop is only open to children.

In this workshop children will:

- Review the topics of all the workshops, defined and prioritized by children on their own terms;
- Exchange and listen to the perspectives of children from Pathfinding Countries;
- Identify children's top priorities, within each topic, and what steps should be taken in order to ensure success.

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