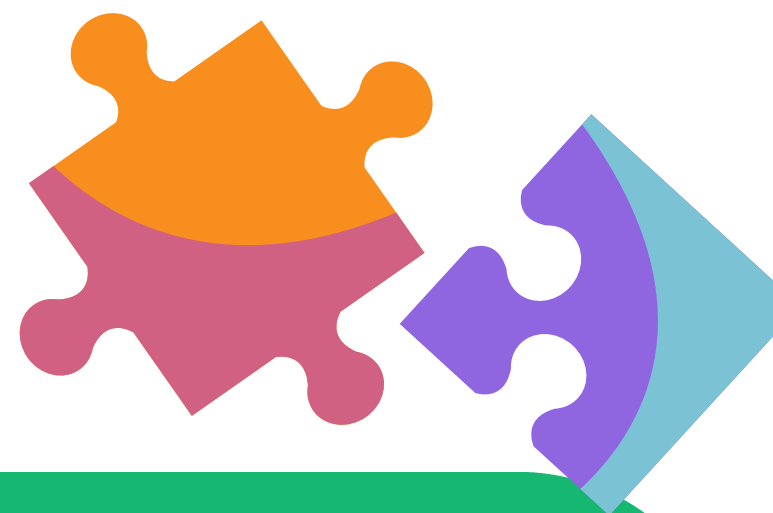


Conceptual Interconnections Working Group

Members Include:

Co-leads Dr. Irene Rizzini and Dr. Noah Kenneally, Research Assistant Carolina Terra, and other academics, practitioners, researchers, students and international ICCRP partnership members.



ENGLISH: The Conceptual Interconnections mandate is concerned with the following

- Child rights & child participation internationally, intergenerationally, & across sectors;
- A relational child rights approach, including Intergenerational relationships and power dynamics between children, adults, and systems, policies, programs and practices);
- Decolonization approach to problematize 'who generates knowledge and from where';
- To reflect on doing research with/about children using decolonial lenses and practices.

PORTUGUÊS: El mandato de Interconexões Conceituais está relacionado con lo siguiente

- Los derechos del niño y la participación infantil a nivel internacional, intergeneracional, & intersectorial;
- Un enfoque relacional de los derechos del niño, incluyendo: Relaciones intergeneracionales y dinámicas de poder entre niños, adultos y sistemas, políticas, programas y prácticas);
- Enfoque de descolonización para problematizar "quién genera el conocimiento y desde dónde";
- Reflexionar sobre la realización de investigaciones con/sobre los niños utilizando lentes y prácticas descoloniales.

ESPAÑOL: O mandato das Interconexões Conceituais está relacionado ao seguinte

- Direitos da criança & participação da criança internacionalmente, intergeracionalmente, intersectorial;
- Abordagem relacional dos direitos da criança, incluindo: Relações intergeracionais e dinâmicas de poder entre crianças, adultos e sistemas, isto é, políticas, programas e práticas;
- Abordagem decolonial para problematizar "quem gera conhecimento e de onde";
- Refletir sobre a realização de pesquisas com/sobre crianças usando lentes e práticas decoloniais.

The Work We Do With the ICCRP?

We deeply consider the concepts and ideas that weave the ICCRP projects together, and support the entire project conceptually. We work to make connections with the case studies and youth activist projects that are a part of the Partnership.

In particular, we have been concerned with the key principles of the ICCRP -

- A relational children's rights approach – emphasizing relationship and interactions;
- The right to participation and young people's activism;
- Intergenerational relationships – considering the power dynamics between children, adults and systems/policies/programs/practices;
- Decolonial practices – problematizing "who generates knowledge and from where", and reflect on doing research with/about children using a decolonial lens.

What have we done so far?

We hold approximately 5 meetings each year with the entire working group, where we delve into concepts of decoloniality/decolonization, intergenerational relations, and activism. Additionally, there are sub-groups focused on specific topics such as decoloniality, child and youth engagement in ICCRP processes, and a special issue journal exploring connections between decolonial perspectives/practices and children's experiences across various contexts/countries.

Key activities include:

- Establishing a shared space for resource sharing.
- In October 2022, seven members contributed to a special issue on children's rights and decoloniality in the Brazilian academic journal *O Social em Questão*.
- Hosting an open webinar in May 2023 titled 'International Perspectives on Decoloniality and Children's Rights,' featuring Robert Nanima, Lucia Rabello de Castro, and Maya Simon.
- Conducting an internal seminar in October 2023 with a conceptual focus on Activism, featuring a dialogue with Jessica Taft & Patricio Cuevas-Parra.
- Hosting an open webinar in November 2024 titled "Children's Rights & Decolonial Approaches: Conceptual & Practical Reflections".

How do we do what we do?

Our group has been meeting regularly to explore the key principles underlying the framework of the ICCRP, and explore ideas that emerge from the interplay of our conversations, curiosities, and encounters with other partners, working groups, and projects of the Partnership. We have done our best to attend meetings and webinars to learn how best to support the case studies and projects, learning from them and carrying their questions back to be explored by the entire working group.



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