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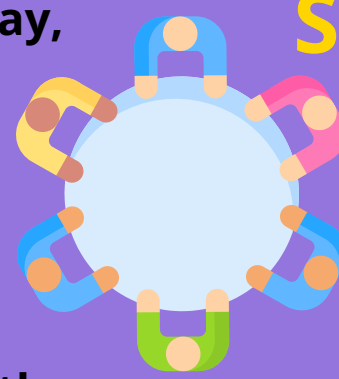
# INTERNATIONAL AND CANADIAN CHILD RIGHTS PARTNERSHIP (ICCRP)

## Join Us! Intergenerational Advisory Committee Virtual Roundtable!

We are excited to announce that our next Intergenerational Advisory Committee (IAC) roundtable on the topic of **Mental Health and Well-being** will be taking place on **Saturday, June 20, 2026**. Hosted by the International and Canadian Child Rights Partnership's Intergenerational Advisory Committee, these roundtables bring together people from different contexts and perspectives, to share their insights, questions, and advice on various topics.

This session directly highlights our **intergenerational approach by centring both youth and adult expertise**. The roundtable will open with remarks from youth and adult committee members, leading into a dedicated panel presentation by IAC youth and adult members representing **various countries and regional contexts**. These panelists will share their distinct insights and recommendations regarding youth mental health and well-being. The session will conclude with joint closing remarks from another youth and adult duo.

**Questions?** If you have any questions, please contact Valeria Millan at [valeria.millan@torontomu.ca](mailto:valeria.millan@torontomu.ca). We look forward to having you join us!



**SAT, JUNE 20, 2026 (90 Mins)**  
**AT 9:00 AM (EDT)**

**REGISTER HERE**

**START TIMES:**

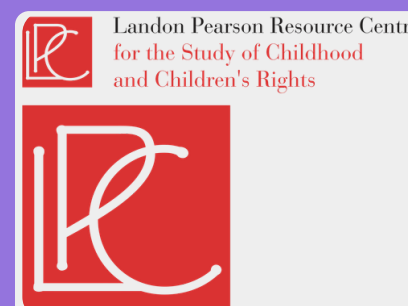
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| <b>Rio de Janeiro</b> - 10:00 AM | <b>Bangkok</b> - 8:00 PM   |
| <b>Edinburgh</b> - 2:00 PM       |                            |

## You're Invited! A Decolonial Children's Rights Knowledge Exchange Event

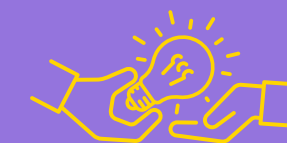
The **ICCRP Conceptual Interconnections Working Group** and the **Canadian Journal of Children's Rights** would like to invite you to an online knowledge exchange event celebrating the recent *Canadian Journal of Children's Rights* special issue **Children's Rights and Decolonial Perspective: Challenging Dominant Modes of Knowledge Production**.

Mark your calendars for **June 10, from 1:00 to 2:30 PM EST!** Come join the contributors of this inspiring collection to dive deep, challenge conventions, and discuss the transformative ideas woven through their work.

To secure your spot or request more information, please email Noah Kenneally at [kenneallyn@macewan.ca](mailto:kenneallyn@macewan.ca). The event access link will be sent directly to registered participants closer to the date.



**WED, JUNE 10, 2026 (90 Mins)**  
**AT 1:00 PM (EDT)**



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## New Child & Youth Intergenerational Advisory Committee Members



We are thrilled to welcome **12 new young members to the ICCRP International Advisory Committee (IAC)** from Bolivia, Brazil, South Africa, and Canada (Ontario and New Brunswick). These **valuable child and youth advisors** bring important perspectives, experiences, and leadership to our partnership. We extend **our sincere thanks to our outstanding partner organizations** who support these young people's involvement: **Act2gether**, the **International Center for Research and Studies on Childhood/Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro** (CIESPI/PUC-Rio), **Youth Gravity**, the **NB Advocate**, the **Nelson Mandela Children's Fund**, and **RX Radio**.

## New ICCRP Child Rights & Reciprocity Podcast



The International and Canadian Child Rights Partnership (ICCRP) presents a new podcast episode, **Child Rights and Reciprocity: A Conversation with Dr. Afua Twum-Danso Imoh**. This episode is hosted by **Isabella Grajczyk** and features **Dr. Afua Twum-Danso Imoh**, Associate Professor at the University of Bristol. The discussion explores how reciprocity informs understandings of children's rights and what this means for the future of research in the field. This episode is a collaboration between the ICCRP at Toronto Metropolitan University, and the **Department of Equity, Ethics, and Policy (DEEP)** at McGill University. At the time of its recording, the host was supervised by Dr. Mónica Ruiz-Casares.

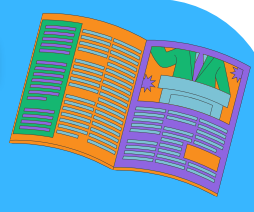




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## New ICCRP Infographics on Child Rights & Reciprocity



The International and Canadian Child Rights Partnership (ICCRP) is pleased to share **two new visual resources** exploring **reciprocity and children's rights**. Developed by Isabella Grajczyk **[Reciprocity and the Rights of Children: Key Perspectives](#)** explores practical, strengths-based perspectives on reciprocity in parenting that highlight how positive communication, trust, and modelling behaviour can support children's rights and healthy development.

The second infographic on **[Understanding Reciprocity and Children's Rights](#)** shows how giving and receiving care between children, adults, and peers builds trust, supports shared caregiving, and strengthens children and young people's voices in decision-making across families, schools, and communities.

**[\[Click here to view more ICCRP Posters, Infographics, and Resources\]](#)**

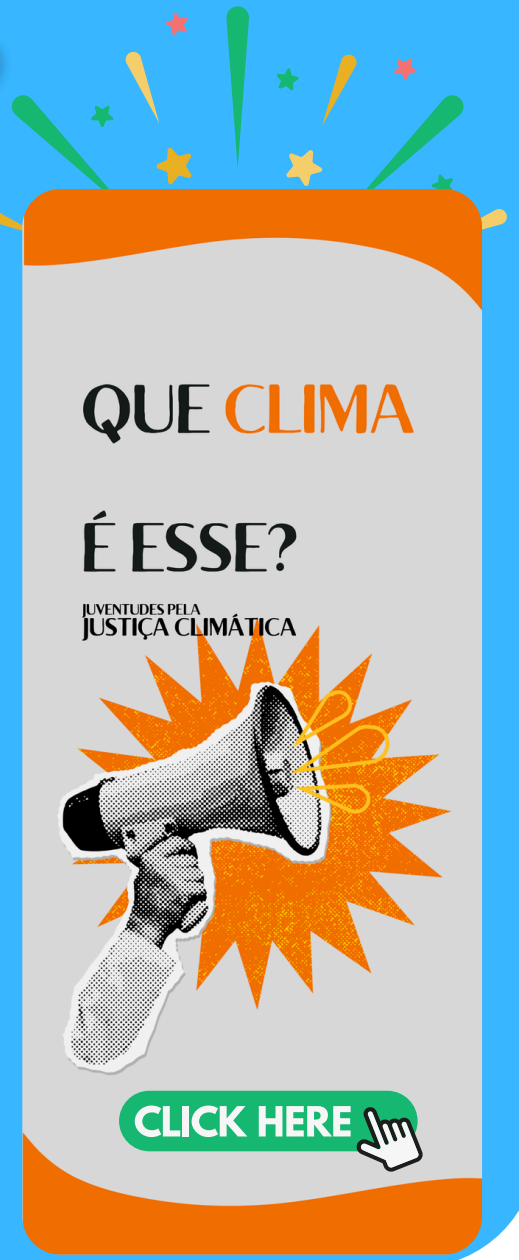


## New Climate Justice Resource from CIESPI/PUC-Rio

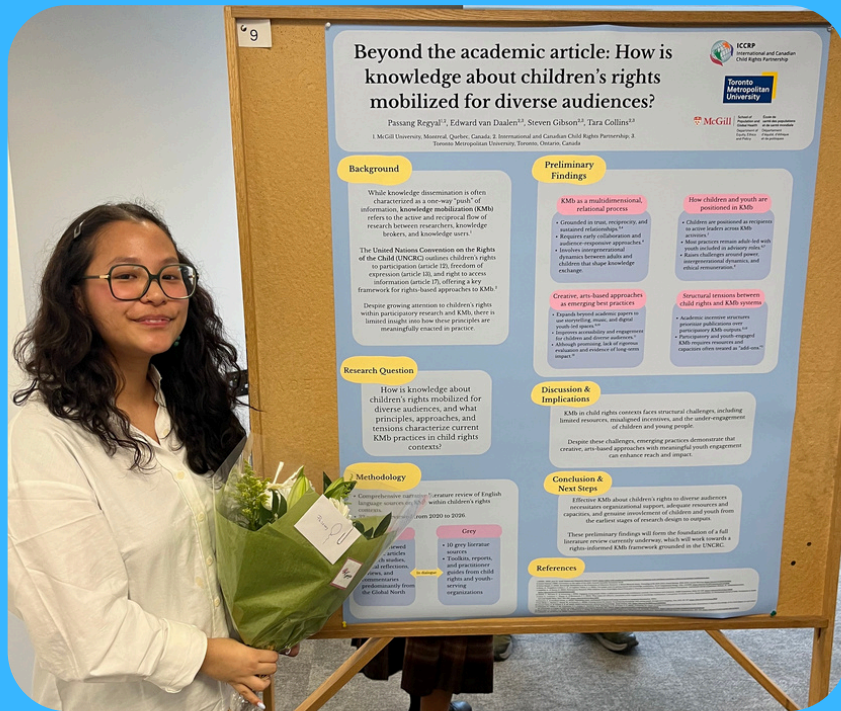
Our valued partners at the International Center for Research and Studies on Childhood/Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (CIESPI/PUC-Rio) in Brazil, led by Dr. Irene Rizzini, have launched an exciting new youth-focused brochure entitled **[Que clima é esse? Juventudes pela justiça climática](#)**

Available in Portuguese, this visual resource mobilizes research from 200 Brazilian youth, highlighting that while 90% worry about climate change, collective action can foster hope. Dive into this colourful brochure to see how young people are transforming their climate anxieties into powerful community advocacy and policy demands.

**[\[Click here to read the brochure\]](#)**



## Intern Spotlight: Passang Regyal Shares ICCRP Research at CRAN 2026

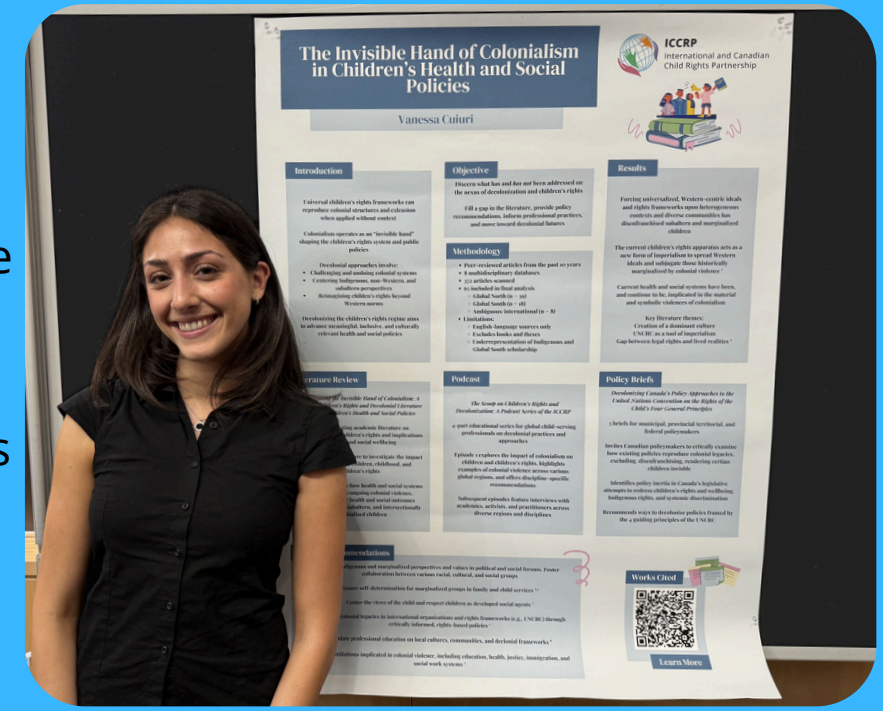


We are so proud of ICCRP intern **Passang Regyal** (McGill MSc graduate, supervised by Edward van Daalen) for her engaging presentation at April 2026's **Child Rights Academic Network (CRAN)** conference.

Co-authored with **Dr. Edward van Daalen, Steven Gibson, and Dr. Tara Collins**, Passang's poster analyzed 32 literature sources to

explore Knowledge Mobilization (Kmb) in child rights. The findings from the review advocate for creative, arts-based approaches that elevate youth from passive recipients to active leaders, while tackling structural tensions within academic systems. **[\[Click here to read the full poster\]](#)**

## Intern Spotlight: Vanessa Cuiuri Highlights Systemic Barriers at CRAN



We are delighted to celebrate **Vanessa Cuiuri**, our 2024–2025 ICCRP/DEEP intern, for her impactful research presented at the CRAN conference. Collaborating with **Dr. Tara Collins**, Vanessa conducted a critical children's rights and decolonial literature review of health and social policies. Her vital work, **[Investigating the Invisible Hand of Colonialism](#)**, unpacks how deep-seated systemic structures influence policy, advocating for more equitable frameworks for children.

**[\[Click here to read the full published article in the Canadian Journal of Children's Rights \(2025\)\]](#)**

## ICCRP Team Members Meet at CRAN

The April 2026 **Child Rights Academic Network (CRAN)** conference provided a wonderful opportunity for some ICCRP researchers, research assistants, staff, and postdoctoral fellows to connect in person, reminding us of the importance of in-person engagement in connecting our collaborative - albeit remote- team!

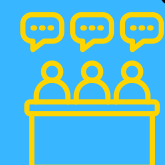


**From left to right:** Steven Gibson, Amy Cooper, Chidera Onyekwe, Dr. Aurelia Di Santo, Christa Leeder, Dr. Tara Collins, Dr. Edward van Daalen, and Dr. Rongdezayi Fambasayi.

## Shaping the Future: ICCRP

### Advisory Member Joins Harvard Panel

We are proud to share that **Dr. Benyam Dawit Mezmur**, a valued member of our **Intergenerational Advisory Committee**, recently participated in a prestigious Harvard Law School panel titled **[Dusk or a New Dawn? The Future of the United Nations Human Rights System](#)**. Alongside leading global experts, Dr. Mezmur explored the severe geopolitical, financial, and institutional pressures facing the UN architecture. The candid discussion tackled critical questions about whether the system is eroding or adapting to modern global crises.



**[\[Click here to watch the full Harvard Law School panel discussion on YouTube.\]](#)**



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## "What I Wish I Knew": New Children's Book on Rights in Care

NEW

The **Office of the New Brunswick Child, Youth and Senior Advocate** has released an inspiring new children's book titled *What I Wish I Knew*. Written by **Jazmyne McLaughlin**, a courageous young woman who grew up in the New Brunswick (Canada) system, the book beautifully highlights the fundamental rights she wishes she had known during her time in care. While specifically created with youth in care in mind, this valuable resource serves as a wonderful introduction to children's rights for all young people. It is also an excellent tool for educators, school counsellors, and professionals dedicated to supporting youth.

[\[Click here to read the electronic version of What I Wish I Knew.\]](#)



## Check Out This New NVivo Toolkit for International Teams!

NEW

Looking to **streamline qualitative data analysis across international teams**? Check out the *2REST Teamwork Toolkit An open-source Training Toolkit for international teams engaging in data analysis using NVivo* developed by our partners at the University of Dundee and others internationally. Drawing from real-world research spanning South Africa, Uganda, and the UK, **this practical guide offers step-by-step support for collaborative coding, building unified codebooks, and mastering multi-user NVivo project housekeeping**. It is an invaluable, free asset for any international research initiative handling large qualitative datasets.

[\[Click here to access the Toolkit.\]](#)

## New Childhood Special Issue on Parent-Child Relationships

NEW

A new special issue of the journal *Childhood*, co-edited by our valued **Intergenerational Advisory Committee member Ana Vergara del Solar**, explores contemporary childhood and parent-child dynamics. Featuring insightful articles from diverse global regions, this collection deepens our understanding of how modern social contexts shape family life and children's experiences worldwide. It is a must-read resource for researchers and advocates alike.

[\[Click here to explore the full special issue.\]](#)



## Open Call For A Special Issue



The **International Journal of Human Rights** invites abstract submissions for an upcoming special issue: *Accountability for Child Rights – Mechanisms, Challenges, and Pathways Forward*. Co-edited by colleagues at the University of Edinburgh and University College Cork, **this interdisciplinary issue explores how to bridge enforcement gaps and strengthen judicial, political, and child-led accountability mechanisms**. Submissions from the Global South and those co-authored with youth are highly encouraged.

- **Abstract Deadline:** June 29, 2026 (200 words)
- **Submit to:** Felicia Szloboda at [F.Szloboda@sms.ed.ac.uk](mailto:F.Szloboda@sms.ed.ac.uk)



## ICCRP Publications & Outputs



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