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ICCRP Project Director Launches Exciting New Book!

Dr. **Tara Collins**, Project Director of the **International and Canadian Child Rights Partnership**, has published an inspiring new book. **Children's Rights in Professional Practices with Children and Youth** draws on her extensive expertise and passion for advancing children's rights. Dr. Collins offers fresh insights and thought-provoking perspectives. Her book is a testament to her dedication to creating meaningful change and empowering others to advocate for the rights of children globally. All proceeds go towards honoring the legacy of the late Hon. Landon Pearson, a former member of the Intergenerational Advisory Committee, and supporting her **Centre for the Study of Childhood and Children's Rights**.



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Arden Connor Meets with the First Minister in Scotland!

Talented and valued ICCRP Intergenerational Advisory Committee member **Arden Connor** had the opportunity to **sit down with First Minister** John Swinney in November 2024. Scotland is the only country to hold an annual Cabinet with children and young people. The First Minister heard directly from members of the Scottish Youth Parliament and valued ICCRP partner **Children's Parliament** about the issues affecting young people in Scotland and the actions they would like to see.



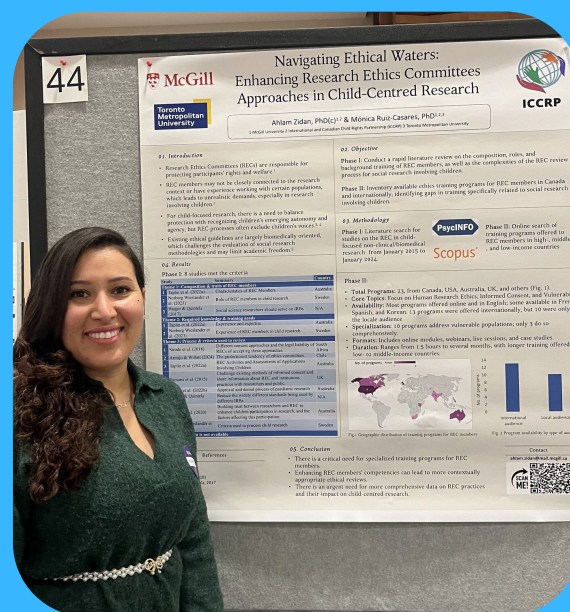
[Check out this intergenerational interview today!](#)

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Check Out the ICCRP "Navigating Ethical Waters" New Poster

Doctoral candidate Ahlam Zidan and Dr. Monica Ruiz-Casares successfully presented an academic poster entitled **"Navigating Ethical Waters: Enhancing Research Ethics Committees Approaches in Child-Centred Research"** at McGill's Global Health Night 2024.

This stimulating poster was the culmination of Ahlam's important research with the ICCRP as part of her Annual ICCRP/McGill Graduate Internship. Ahlam shared about the event, *"I had the privilege to engage with inspiring presenters from around the globe. I was particularly fascinated by the diversity of perspectives and the commitment to improving health outcomes in communities worldwide."*

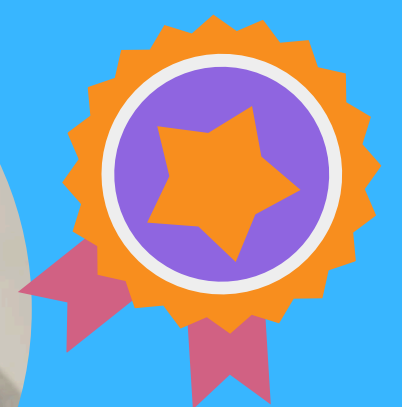


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ICCRP Research Assistant Naomi Wokocha Receives Prestigious Award

We are thrilled to congratulate **Naomi Wokocha**, the ICCRP's talented Ontario Child and Youth Activism Project facilitator, who received the **Viola Desmond Sidney and Mettelia Ferguson award** from Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) at the end of 2024. Naomi is in her final year of the English and Philosophy (Hons.) double major program at TMU, with a minor in Criminology. She is passionate about equity-centred research, bioethics, and Black maternal health, and has made significant contributions in both academic and professional settings. Congrats Naomi on your prestigious award!



ICCRP Announces: A New Case Study!

The ICCRP is proud to announce a new case study **RX Radio - Children as Change Makers**. The new study, taking place in South Africa, is led by Sam Frankel (Learning Allowed) and Lucy Jamieson (University of Cape Town) and will support the ICCRP's Research Stream 3: Developing Relational Practices in Research and Public Policy Initiatives.

"RX Radio is a unique award-winning radio station that is by and for children, based at the Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital in Cape Town. RX Radio uses the magic of the microphone to give children a platform for expression, information and participation. Enabling them to 'join the conversation', we legitimise marginalised voices, break down social barriers and catalyse the transformative relationships needed to build a cohesive network of support (family/peer/professional)." (**RX Radio, 2025**)

The goal of this case study is to co-produce research on the meaning of participation for children, RX Radio staff, and the wider community at the hospital and to explore intergenerational partnerships to improve services for children.

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New Podcast by CIESPI Researchers!

Professor **Irene Rizzini** of PUC-Rio, CIESPI, and her research team have launched an inspiring **podcast series spotlighting the voices of children and youth in shaping policies and programs for their rights**. Supported by CAPES-Print and the International and Canadian Child Rights Partnership (ICCRP), this initiative brings global perspectives, with a special focus on Latin America, to the forefront of child participation discussions. The series, hosted by CIESPI researcher Carolina Terra, features five episodes (15 minutes each) exploring mobilization efforts in Brazil, Mexico, Bolivia, South Africa, and Canada.

Episode 1: Experience in Volta Redonda dives into the story of Volta Redonda, where the Municipal Council on the Rights of the Child and Adolescent includes young people as voting counselors—an extraordinary example of youth engagement in Brazil. This series fosters international collaboration and underscores the power of youth participation in shaping inclusive public policies. Watch Episode 1 in Portuguese and click the “CC” button to activate subtitles in your preferred language. Stay tuned for upcoming episodes and follow CIESPI’s social channels for updates.

[Catch Episode 1 today on YouTube!](#) [CLICK HERE](#)



New Report Released: Insights from the November 2023 IAC Roundtable

In November 2023, the ICCRP’s Intergenerational Advisory Committee (IAC) hosted a thought-provoking roundtable discussion on How Adults Can Listen & Engage With Young People. This dynamic event brought together five speakers of diverse ages, backgrounds, and lived experiences, sparking meaningful dialogue on bridging generational gaps and fostering stronger, more inclusive communities. The newly released IAC written report captures key takeaways and insights from the virtual discussion, including:

- Practical strategies for fostering open communication between generations;
- The role of empathy and cultural understanding in creating meaningful connections; and
- Ways to ensure young voices are not only heard but also valued in decision-making spaces.

This report serves as a valuable resource for those committed to enhancing intergenerational engagement and creating spaces where everyone—regardless of age—feels empowered to contribute.

[Click HERE to read the IAC report and stay tuned for more updates on future IAC roundtable discussions and events!](#) [CLICK HERE](#)



NEW!

ICCRP Research Facilitator Emilia Gonzalez Heads to Scotland!

Emilia Gonzalez, ICCRP Doctoral Research Assistant, has embarked on an exciting trip to Scotland where she will remain for three months. During her time there, Emilia will play a key role in supporting the **Children’s Parliament’s** vital children’s rights initiatives, contribute to ICCRP evaluation activities, and advance two case studies: Case Study 2b: Child and Youth Activism Projects and Case Study 4c: Safe, Inclusive Participative Pedagogy (SIPP).



In March, Emilia will have the honour of presenting at the annual **Jamboree**, an interactive and interdisciplinary conference that showcases participatory research methodologies directly involving children and young people, organized by the Children and Young People Thematic Hub and Childhood and Youth Studies Group at the University of Edinburgh. Emilia’s visit is strengthening her connections with Dr. Kay Tisdall (University of Edinburgh), local children and youth, and key children’s rights stakeholders in Scotland. This incredible opportunity has been made possible by the **Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplements (CGS-MSFSS)** program. Best of luck Emilia on this meaningful journey!

New Piece on Ethical Compensation of Children and Youth In Research

Valued ICCRP Ethics Working Group members Nicole D’souza, Silvia Battaglia, and Working Group co-leads Kay Tisdall, and Mónica Ruiz-Casares have recently published a thought-provoking article entitled **"Young People Are Crucial to Research — How Can They Be Paid Fairly?"**

In the piece, they explore the ethical considerations surrounding the involvement of young people in research, particularly focusing on the importance of ensuring fair compensation for their time and contributions. Their insights aim to spark conversations about equitable practices in research and the recognition of young people’s vital role in advancing knowledge. It also calls for greater transparency and a shift in research practices to better value the contributions of young people in a meaningful way.

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