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Participatory Methodologies Working Group Webinar <u>May 9th, 2023</u>

The **Participatory Methodologies Working Group** is hosting a conference dialogue series from May 2023 to June 2024 entitled: **Engaging with Participatory Methodologies to Decolonise Research with Children and Young People.**

The ICCRP in partnership with the Safe Inclusive Participative Pedagogy (SIPP) Researcher Team and the Children's Institute, University of Cape Town are looking forward to hosting the first dialogue on May 9, 2023 as a hybrid event (Cape Town & online) entitled: Using Participatory Research to Affect Change for Young Children in their Communities: Learning from Research in Brazil, Eswatini, Palestine, and South Africa

To register for the event: please click here.



ICCRP Partnership Launch Conference Update

Sadly, the ICCRP's Steering Committee had to make the tough decision to **reschedule the June 2023** in-person ICCRP Launch Conference that was to be held in Moncton, New Brunswick. Due to the pandemic, **the visa process of the Canadian government has become greatly delayed and many ICCRP members who are based in the Global South would not have received their travel documents in time to allow them to attend in person.** Since their participation is essential, we had to postpone.

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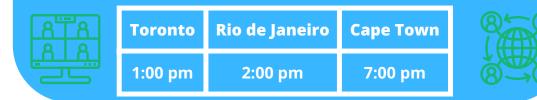
Conceptual Interconnections Working Group Webinar <u>May 23, 2023</u>

The **Conceptual Interconnections Working Group** invites you to the *International Perspectives on Decoloniality and Children's Rights* webinar. The speakers and participants will be **exploring** *international perspectives on decoloniality and children's rights*, featuring guest speakers from different regions on May 23,

2023. A new issue of <u>O Social em Questão/Social Question Journal</u> on this topic will also be launched.

Participants will be invited to share their thoughts and join in the dialogue with our speakers.

To register for the webinar: <u>please click here</u>

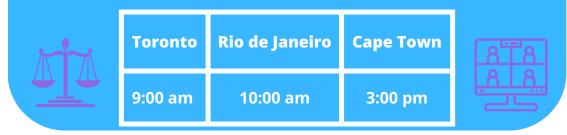


Policy Working Group Webinar <u>May 30, 2023</u>

The **Policy Working Group** is excited to announce the following webinar: *Using Law and Policy for Children's Rights*.

The webinar will take place on **May 30, 2023.** It will feature an international group of panelists working in the fields of law, civil society, and academia to discuss innovative opportunities that lie at the crossroads of children's rights, intergenerational participation, and policy work.

To register for the webinar: please click here



Intergenerational Advisory Committee Update



The ICCRP's Intergenerational Advisory Committee (IAC) young people and some ICCRP staff met in late January 2023. In March 2023, the IAC happily welcomed additional IAC young people to join the committee from **New Brunswick**, Canada and **Cape Town**, South Africa. **The IAC membership is now complete!** The IAC young people have been engaging in a variety of valuable activities and discussions around



It was **decided to reschedule the conference for some time next year.** The ICCRP team is working hard on organizing an in-person event in 2024.

More details to come very soon!

Save the Date for the 2024 ISCI Conference!

9TH CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR CHILD INDICATORS (ISCI)

FEBRUARY 14 - 16, 2024 | BHUBANESHWAR-INDIA Global Childhoods: Critical Perspectives Promoting Theoretical, Empirical And Policy Understandings <u>Find out more details here</u>.
<u>Submissions Portal is available here</u>. **All young people in the above photo have consented to having their photo taken and used in ICCRP communications. Some IAC young people were not available for this photo or preferred to omit their image.

children's rights in their last three meetings. Some examples include: advising on a draft document for the ICCRP's "Principles and Values"; sharing ideas about how adults and young people can work better together; and information about the rights that they are most interested in and why! During our April meeting, young people from Bolivia shared their favourite Bolivian songs and discussed why participation is important. The plan for the next few months includes having the first joint meeting between IAC adults and young people and encouraging more dialogue about child rights!

IAC Member Updates:

The ICCRP continues to grieve for the great loss of the **Honourable Landon Pearson**, who was a most valued adult IAC member. You can access a video of her recent memorial **here**.

We welcome two new adult members: **Dr. Danielle Strickland** from Mexico is a professor at *Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Occidente*. She has a Bachelor of International Studies with a concentration in Cultural Anthropology in Latin America and a diploma in Children's Rights and Needs. Danielle completed her Master of Education and PhD in Social Sciences with a Specialty in Social Anthropology.

Cheryl Perera is the Founder and President of OneChild, the first organization empowering children and youth to combat the sexual exploitation of children through prevention education, advocacy, survivor care, and survivor empowerment, benefiting over 74,000 in 15 countries. Cheryl is a former youth advocate for both the United Nations Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative and the Global Partnership for Education.

ICCRP Research

Assistant Community

Our Research Assistant (RA) Community has been meeting monthly to welcome and support all RAs across the ICCRP. There are undergraduate and graduate students at masters and doctoral levels, as well as post-doctoral fellows, who are based in different parts of Canada, Brazil, Scotland, and South Africa. Meetings include icebreaker activities, ICCRP updates on the IAC, Working Groups, Case Studies, research ethics protocols, as well as addressing RA Questions/Comments. This has been a wonderful space of learning and support.

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In Memoriam: Yolanda Corona Caraveo

We are deeply saddened to announce **Yolanda Corona Caraveo's very recent passing** this month in Mexico. Yolanda was a valued IAC adult member from *Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana* but had to withdraw late last year due to her health. The ICCRP mourns this significant loss and offers our deepest condolences to Yolanda's loved ones and other colleagues.







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Working Group Updates

Until the end of 2023, ICCRP members and partnership colleagues are all welcome to join any of the four Working Groups! The ICCRP envisions finalizing the membership of each of the Working Groups by the end of the year as they will begin consulting on the 11 ICCRP case studies.

• Conceptual Interconnections Working Group (CI WG)

The CI WG meets virtually six times per year, focusing on fostering interdisciplinary collaboration to explore and analyze the different concepts that permeate the project and partnership. Members have been delving into key questions surrounding concepts such as intergenerational relationships, international perspectives on decoloniality, and children's rights, seeking to understand their interconnections and shared implications. In 2023, the Working Group is looking forward to advancing the project by developing key concepts through two webinars (one of which is mentioned above) and refining their contributions to the project as a whole while maintaining a productive dialogue with case studies.

• Ethics Working Group (WG)

The Ethics WG meets virtually four times per year and is focused on providing value to the ICCRP's stakeholders through education, research, and dialogue related to the ethical conduct of research with children internationally. This working group is looking into young people's compensation and accessible consent processes among other important ethics issues.

• Participatory Methodologies Working Group (PM WG)

The PM WG is exploring learning activities, with ideas ranging from Indigenous participatory methods, support and discussion around children and youth engagement/co-production in research, early years approaches, and discussion on rights-based practice. The members have been discussing the goals of the WG and collating speakers and additional resources members can offer that will contribute to wider learning in the Working Group.

• Policy Working Group (WG)

In addition to the policy webinar mentioned on page 1, since our last meeting in the Fall, this WG has been busy laying the ground for our collective work. We are excited to share our publication called: '(Re)Imagining children's participatory rights through decolonial learning'. Readers are warmly invited to keep an eye out for our 5-minute Policy WG introduction video to be shared with the public shortly.



Exciting Database Update!

CIESPI/PUC-Rio launches the **most recent update of the bibliographic database on Children and Youth Participation,** with the support of FAPERJ! The project aims to analyze different aspects related to participation and protagonism of children, adolescents and young people in Brazil, with a particular emphasis on already existing initiatives in the city of Rio de Janeiro.

Access the database "Child and Youth Participation – Academic Production in Latin America (2005-2022)" by clicking **here.**



To learn more about the project "Citizen participation: child and youth population in focus", access <u>here.</u>

ICCRP Case Study Ethics Update

- Dr. Kay Tisdall, Dr. Laura Wright, and Dr. Patricio Cuevas-Parra received ethics clearance from the University of Edinburgh in April 2022 and more recently received TMU's secondary ethics clearance on February 9, 2023 to begin their "Case Study 4c Safe, Inclusive Participative Pedagogy". Happy researching!
- Dr. Irene Rizzini received secondary ethics clearance from TMU on March 8, 2023 to conduct her research "Case Study 3c Young People's Activism in Five Brazilian Cities". Congratulations and happy recruiting!
- Lucy Jamieson was the third lead co-investigator on the ICCRP's largest, most international, and longest running research project "Case Study 2b Child and Youth Activism Projects" to receive secondary ethics protocol approval from the University of Cape Town on February 17, 2023. Now just the University of Edinburgh will need to achieve secondary IRB approval and then all four universities' ethics boards/institutional review boards will have signed off on this study and research can commence!

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New ICCRP Twitter Account!

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Stay up do date with news, events and resources with our newest social media account. Follow us at: **<u>@OfficialICCRP</u>**

Valued Post Docs Hired!



Dr. Katie Westwood joined us as a part time post doctoral fellow in April 2023, while Dr.
Nabin Maharjan has also returned full-time as of May 1st, 2023. We are so excited for these two additions to the ICCRP team.



ICCRP Colleagues' Recent Publications

Click here to view the ICCRP's Zotero page

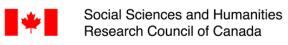
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