



Protecting Procedural Rights of Children in the Digital Age



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What is next for protecting child rights in digital justice?

An expert dialogue on how to protect procedural rights of children in the digital age across the European Union | In person and online | 10 November 2026

Programme

Tuesday 10 November 2026 (all times CET/ Brussels)

Time	Session	Speaker(s)
09:00–09:30	Registration and coffee (online link opens at 09:15)	—
09:30–09:45	Welcome and opening	Olivia Rope, Executive Director, PRI
09:45–10:15	Keynote: Justice on screen: General Comment No. 27 and children's access to justice in the online world <i>What the newly adopted General Comment on children's rights to access to justice and effective remedies means for digital proceedings. Followed by Q&A.</i>	Benoit Van Keirsbilck, Member, UN Committee on the Rights of the Child - TBC
10:15–10:45	What PPRO-Child achieved: findings and lessons learnt <i>Followed by Q&A.</i>	Olivia Rope, Executive Director, PRI Barclay Wohlstetter, Project Coordinator, PRI
10:45–11:15	Coffee break	—
11:15–12:00	From co-design to practice: piloting solutions in Ireland, Romania, Spain and Ukraine	Project country partners and national authorities
12:00–12:15	Launch of a new toolkit and EU policy paper on protecting child rights in digital age	Barclay Wohlstetter, PRI Oscar O'Mara, Consultant for PRI

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12:15–13:00	Children and cybercrime: what is the situation? <i>Followed by moderated discussion</i>	Cedric Foussard, Child Friendly Justice Network Mariana Pérez-Cruz, Children's Rights Expert
13:00–14:00	Lunch	—
14:00–14:30	Keynote: Fair trial rights for children in digitalised justice: the role of judges and lawyers <i>Followed by Q&A.</i>	Professor Margaret Satterthwaite, UN Special Rapporteur on the Independence of Judges and Lawyers
14:30–15:15	Scenario lab: testing the guidelines	
15:15–15:30	Coffee break	—
15:30–15:45	Where next for the EU? Trends and priorities for taking children's rights in digital justice forward	Marie-Cécile Rouillon, Coordinator for the Rights of the Child, European Commission - TBC
15:45–16:15	Fishbowl: the next frontier – emerging technologies and children's rights	Kate Fox, UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights - neurotechnology and other emerging technologies Pia Puolakka, MindTech – smart prisons and children <i>Participants... welcome to join to share trends, observations and recommendations</i>
16:15–16:30	Conclusions and next steps: what we will take forward	