

Speakers



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Olivier De Schutter, a professor at UCLouvain and Sciences Po, is currently the UN Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights and member of the European Committee of Social Rights. He was previously Secretary General of the International Federation for Human Rights (2004-2008), coordinator of the EU Network of Independent Experts on Fundamental Rights (2002-2007), UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food (2008-2014), member of the Scientific Committee of the Fundamental Rights Agency of the EU (2012-2017), and member of the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (2015-2020). He has taught at the University of Leicester, the College of Europe, Columbia University, Yale University, and UC Berkeley.



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Sister Regina Ignatia Aflah is Vice Superior General of the Handmaids of the Divine Redeemer (HDR) of Accra (Ghana). She is a member of Caritas International Legal Affairs Commission and Women Faith Leaders Fellow at Georgetown University. She holds degrees in Information Technology, Business, and Law, including a LL.M in Human Rights Law from the University of London, and the qualification of Barrister-at-Law from the Institute of Legal Practice and Development in Rwanda. Currently, she is a Ph.D candidate at EUCLID University. Her work revolves around the fight against child labour, exploitation, and trafficking, providing education to girls, and advocating for children's rights. This work has been supported for many years through projects of DKA Austria. Sr. Regina is also a resource person for the ongoing campaign www.kinderarbeitstoppen.at.

Margarita Langthaler is a Senior Researcher at the Austrian Foundation for Development Research, specializing in education and development.

Simela Papatheophilou is a Junior Researcher at the Austrian Foundation for Development Research, specializing in law and development.

Bernhard Tröster is a Senior Researcher at the Austrian Foundation for Development Research, specializing in international trade and commodities & development.

Programme

18.00

Welcome

Daniel Bacher (Dreikönigsaktion, DKA)

18.10

Study Presentation:

“Ending Child Labour – Implementation of SDG 8.7”

Bernhard Tröster (ÖFSE) & Simela Papatheophilou (ÖFSE)

18.30

Q&A

18.45

Panel Discussion: “Progress in fighting child labour”, with

- Olivier De Schutter
(UN Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights)
- Sr. Regina Ignatia Aflah
(HDR Ghana & Caritas International Legal Affairs Commission)

Moderation: Margarita Langthaler (ÖFSE)

19.45

Closing & wine reception