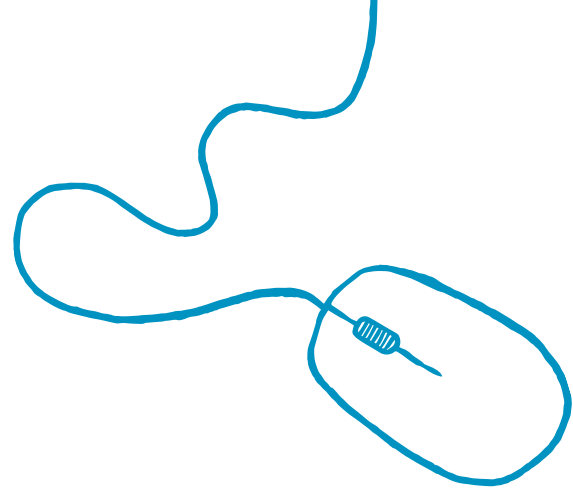


1st Youth Human Rights Challenge!



"Gen Z's take on technology-facilitated child sexual abuse and exploitation"

Youth, by virtue of their age, creativity and different ways of thinking and expressing, can contribute and bring new ideas and innovations to advance a shift towards championing and integrating a human rights-based approach towards addressing the issues of sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children.

Hence, in order to engage with young people and hear their voices, the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children has decided to establish the 1st Human Rights Youth Challenge to provide an opportunity for young people to demonstrate their understanding of the human rights of children and raise-awareness about this phenomenon, to ensure no one is left behind in line with SDG Goals.

The submissions from youth will inform the Special Rapporteur's advocacy and outreach, with a view to identifying remaining challenges and concrete recommendations for States and stakeholders.

See the next page for more details about the challenge.



THEME

Ahead of World Day for the Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Violence and International's Children's Day (18 November 2024), the Special Rapporteur invites youth (ages between 18 to 25) to produce digital content on: "Gen Z's take on technology-facilitated child sexual abuse and exploitation".

Through the lens of youth and their perspectives, the Special Rapporteur would like to receive submissions on (1) how the use of technology is facilitating and/or preventing the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children, and (2) what tools and actions can be taken by Governments, tech companies, online service providers and others to ensure the development of a safe and empowering digital environment for children and young people.

By using social media platforms: TikTok, Instagram, Youtube, X (formerly Twitter), and Facebook, among others, the Special Rapporteur hopes to engage with young people worldwide and to share their experience on this topic.

INSTRUCTIONS

How to participate:

- Upload your short (2-5 minute) video or other digital content to the platform of your preference, including the hashtag [#YouthagainstTFCSAE](#) and [#GenZagainstTFCSAE](#)
- Submit the link to your video or other digital content by filling in this form or scan the barcode below. No other acknowledgements will be sent. Please do not ask for confirmation by email.

Age limit: 18 - 25 years old (at the time of submission deadline).

Language: English or any other language with subtitles in English.

Disclaimer: By submitting digital content, participants agree to make the submissions public on the official webpage of the Special Rapporteur on the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children.

Submission deadline: 30 September 2024 (23:59 PM CET).

Consent and copyright: In the case digital content involves interviews with people or video footage of people, it is the responsibility of the youth participant to ensure that they have obtained consent from those people to be filmed. Please also note that youth participants should not use any materials that are subject to copyright protection.

WINNING PRIZE

On the basis of the submissions, the winner of the 1st Human Rights Youth Challenge will be recognised as "Youth Advisor to the Special Rapporteur on the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children" (see more information below) and their digital content will be uploaded on the mandate's webpage. The winner will be announced on World Day for the Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Violence and International's Children's Day (18 November 2024).

ROLE OF THE YOUTH ADVISOR

The Youth Advisor to the Special Rapporteur on the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children will be selected for a non-remunerative and non-renewable 12-months tenure to participate under the guidance of the Special Rapporteur in campaigning and advocating awareness among young people against the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children, notably on social media. The Youth Advisor will also promote the work of the mandate towards mainstreaming and inclusion of young people.

The Youth Advisor needs to be willing and able to commit 3 hours per week at their convenience. Kindly note that this role is voluntary and working from home with no travel (remote-based).

The Youth Advisor will also receive an official letter from the Special Rapporteur certifying his or her role as the Youth Advisor, upon successfully completing the tenure from 1 December 2024 to 30 November 2025.

