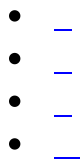


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The most recent volume of the *Global Campus Human Rights Journal* is published on 31 July 2020. It comprises a special focus feature, foregrounding selected developments in the area of **children's rights**.

The special focus results from a cooperation agreement between the Global Campus of Human Rights and the Right Livelihood Foundation.

The Global Campus of Human Rights consists of the Global Campus Europe, South East Europe, Africa, Asia Pacific, Caucasus, Latin America and the Arab World, with the participation of post-graduate students from their respective Master's programmes in Human Rights and Democracy. The Right Livelihood Foundation is a Swedish charity, whose mission it is to honour and support courageous people solving global problems.

The editor of this 'special focus' part of the *Journal*, is Chiara Altafin, Research Manager at the Global Campus of Human Rights. The special focus aims to contribute to the debate generated by the anniversary celebration of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), by this edition of the *Global Campus Human Rights Journal*, which provides insight into selected developments in the area of children's rights in different regions covered by the Global Campus of Human Rights. The articles presented under this special focus address the regional scope and impact of current developments by either examining a key theme in a specific country or region or by exploring a cross-cutting topic in different regional perspectives. The contributions are mainly multi-disciplinary in the sense that they combine legal analysis with social, historical, political, economic and other relevant dimensions. Importantly, in considering CRC, each article provides considerations by which to assess the ongoing impact of the Convention and what it means to adopt a rights-based approach to matters involving children.

The volume further contains an article discussing the root causes for the ongoing political malaise in Cameroon. The author identifies as the most pertinent explanation the failure of that state to effectively implement the decentralisation framework provided for under the 1996 Constitution of Cameroon..

"This issue of the Global Campus Human Rights Journal taps into the rich diversity of human rights-related experiences in various regions of the world, with a specific focus on children's rights. It adds a transnational and interdisciplinary dimension to the scholarship as we mark 30 years since the entry into force of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1990." **Commented Frans Viljoen.**

"The GCHRJ's special focus on selected developments in the area of children's rights can contribute to our understanding of existing practices and challenges in various regional contexts, with remarks and lessons to be considered for the years to come." **Expressed Chiara Altafin.**

The *Journal* also contains a discussion of 'recent developments' in the fields of human rights and democratisation in four of the regions covered by the Global Campus of Human Rights. In this issue, developments during 2019 in the following four regions are covered: Europe, sub-Saharan Africa, the 'Arab world' and the Asia Pacific. These contributions are collective endeavours, being based on the research and writing of academics or staff, and students or recent graduates of four of the regional Master's programmes forming part of the Global Campus of Human Rights.

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