Monitoring Children’s Rights

**Blended learning course**

Self-directed e-course + intensive workshop

Brussels, 15-17 October 2015

**Monitoring Children’s Rights (E04315-blended-BRU)**

This blended learning training program is intended for child rights practitioners, children's advocates and child-related professionals seeking to gain a practical understanding of the concept and practice of monitoring children's rights as a means of strengthening programming and furthering advocacy activities that aim to promote and protect children’s rights.

Participants will learn about methodologies for carrying out monitoring (respecting child participation), the basics of choosing or constructing a children's rights indicator, and the application of results for improving the promotion and protection of the rights of the child. The training will include a blend of theoretical materials and case studies that draw from a range of issues including child survival and health, education and development, child contact with the law, and child abuse and situations of exploitation.

**Learning format**

This course uses a blended learning methodology and consists of several learning phases:

1. Self-directed e-course on the children’s rights framework, September 2015 (to be completed prior to the workshop)
2. Intensive three-day workshop in Brussels, 15-17 October 2015
3. Follow up and support through HREA’s Community of Practice for child rights practitioners

**Self-directed e-course on the child rights framework**

The self-directed, self-paced e-course provides a solid introduction to the child rights framework and the institutions and mechanisms that serve to fulfill the rights of children. The e-course combines text with rich multimedia, including videos and podcasts. Knowledge checks reinforce the information learned. Assignments engage participants to solve specific problems. Approximately five hours of learning.

**Agenda of the workshop in Brussels, 15-17 October 2015**

Day 1: The Monitoring Concept; Children’s Rights Indicators
Day 2: Monitoring the Situation of Specific Groups of Children; Monitoring Specific Rights of a Child
Day 3: Preparation of Monitoring Reports and Advocacy
The training is based on a participatory, active learning approach with an emphasis on peer-to-peer learning. Case studies draw from a range of scenarios related to child survival and health, education and development, child contact with the law, and child abuse and situations of exploitation. Through a series of interactive workshops, participants develop practical skills to ensure children are considered across all stages of the monitoring cycle. Participants are introduced to indicator systems and the basics of choosing or constructing a children's rights indicator and gain an understanding of the procedures for appraisal, selection, development, and analysis of monitoring approaches.

The training will take place from 09h00-17h00 each day and will consist of a series of interactive workshops. The training will be held in English.

Participants

The Monitoring Children’s Rights course is intended for child rights staff of NGOs, intergovernmental and government agencies, children's advocates and child-related professionals.

Costs

The course tuition fee is € 545, this includes registration fee, tuition for the e-learning course and workshop, coffee/tea breaks, lunches. The fee does not include accommodation or travel, which will have to be arranged by participants themselves. An early bird registration fee of € 495 is available until 1 August 2015.

For more detailed information and online registration: www.hrea.org/monitoring-child-rights

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