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Directorate C: Fundamental rights and rule of law
Unit C.2: Fundamental rights policy

**Twenty second meeting of the
European Commission
Informal expert group on the rights of the child**

**Tuesday 8 June 2021
On-line meeting**

– Draft Agenda –

- 09:00 – 09:15 *Registration*
- 09:15 – 10:30 Adoption of the agenda and minutes of the last meeting.
- Presentation of the EU Strategy on the Rights of the Childⁱ**
EU Member States reactions and discussion on its implementation
- Other recent developments on the rights of the child**
Valeria Setti, Commission coordinator for the rights of the child,
Fundamental Rights policy unit, DG Justice and Consumers
- 10:30 – 10:45 Presentation of the new **Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values
Programme** (CERV)ⁱⁱ
Kalina Lewanska, Programme and financial management unit, DG
Justice and Consumers
- 10:45 – 11:00 *Coffee break*
- 11:00 – 12:30 **Working session 1**
**Presentation of the Commission Proposal for a Council
recommendation establishing the European Child Guaranteeⁱⁱⁱ,**
including presentations by **Member States** where the child guarantee is
being piloted: Bulgaria, Greece and Italy
- Jiri Svarc, Head of unit, Social investment Strategy unit, DG
Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion
- Daniela Strakova, Senior expert, European Affairs Department,
European Affairs and International Relations Directorate, Ministry of
Labour and Social Policy, Bulgaria

Georgia Korma, Advisor to Deputy Minister Dr. Domna Maria Michailidou, Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, Greece

Alfredo Ferrante, Coordinator, Department for Family Policies, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Italy

Roundtable discussion

- 12:30 – 12:40 Short update from the **Council of Europe**
Maren Lambrecht-Feigl, Programme Officer, Children's Rights Division, Council of Europe
- 12:40 – 13:30 *Lunch break*
- 13:30 – 14:30 **Working session 2**
(Parallel sessions: Member States delegates will be asked to select one of the following sessions)

a) Children's mental health. What COVID-19 has uncovered.

- Carmen Valle-Trabadelo, Inter-Agency Standing Committee Reference Group on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in Emergency Settings
- Nicoline Tamsma, Policy Officer, Health promotion, disease prevention, financial instruments unit, DG Health and Food Safety
- Kristen Hope, Research, Advocacy and Participation Advisor, Terre des Hommes

b) Presentation of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child General Comment No. 25 (2021) on children's rights in relation to the digital environment^{iv}

- Philip Jaffé, Member and Vice-Chair of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child
- Beeban Kidron, founder, 5Rights Foundation

- 14:30 – 15:00 **Reporting** from working session 2
AOB, concluding remarks

ⁱ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/en/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52021DC0142>

ⁱⁱ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=urisrv%3AOJ.L_.2021.156.01.0001.01.ENG&toc=OJ%3AL%3A2021%3A156%3ATOC

ⁱⁱⁱ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52021DC0137>

^{iv} <https://docstore.ohchr.org/SelfServices/FilesHandler.ashx?enc=6QkG1d%2fPPRiCAqhKb7yhsqIkirKQZLK2M58RF%2f5F0vEG%2bcAAx34gC78FwvnmZXGFU19nJBDpKR1dfKekJxW2w9nNryRsgArkTJgKelqeZwK9WXzMkZRZd37nLN1bFc2t>