



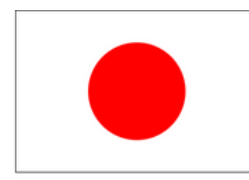
Office of the Special Representative
of the Secretary-General for
**CHILDREN AND
ARMED CONFLICT**



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HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL SIDE-EVENT ON
**CHILD'S RIGHTS APPROACH TO THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TOOLS OF THE CHILDREN
AND ARMED CONFLICT MANDATE
STRENGTHENING CHILD PARTICIPATION AND
ACCOUNTABILITY**

The Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict and War Child, together with the Committee on the Rights of the Child, the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence Against Children, Japan, the Geneva-based Group of Friends on Children and Armed Conflict, Save the Children, and Child Rights Connect, have the pleasure to invite you to a side-event in the margins of the 52th session of the Human Rights Council on "**Child's Rights Approach to the Implementation of the Tools of the Children and Armed Conflict Mandate: Strengthening Child Participation and Accountability**".

The event is aimed at all Member States, UN entities, civil society representatives and others who have a stake in the implementation of the children and armed conflict mandate, and will discuss how tools to implement the children and armed conflict mandate can be further harnessed to contribute to the protection of conflict-affected children.

Tentative Programme:

- Moderator: Sophie Bray-Watkins, Youth Advocacy and Participation Adviser, War Child
- Vocal recording of children, members of the VoiceMore youth group Masisi, North Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Panel discussion:
 - Ms. Virginia Gamba, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict
 - H.E. Ms. Laura Gil, Vice-Minister for Multilateral Affairs of Colombia
 - Ms. Najat Maalla, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence Against Children
 - Ms. Mikiko Otani, Chair of the Committee on the Rights of the Child
 - Catherine Marchi-Uhel, Head of the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism in Syria
- Q&A
- Closing remarks: Michel Anglade, Director and UN Representative, Save the Children Geneva Advocacy Office

A short coffee break will follow

Tuesday, 14 March 2023 - 15:00-16:00 CET

Room XXII, Palais des Nations

Hybrid Event - Registration required by 13 March via the following link: <https://warchild.tfaforms.net/46>