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## ASYLUM RIGHTS: THE CHILDREN PERSPECTIVE

### EULab Summer School on Labour Migration in the European Union

30 June 2022, 11:00-13:00

Law Department of the University of Napoli Federico II and online (MS Teams)

*Children often suffer the consequences of adults' decisions in silence. No child chooses to live in a war-torn country or to be persecuted for the only way of life he/she knows. This is the plight of asylum-seeking children. Children rate 42% of all forcibly displaced people despite accounting for 30% of the world's population. The Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has exacerbated such adverse circumstances by dwindling humanitarian capacity and resources.*

*The application of the European Union (EU) asylum differs among its Member States, causing a range of distinctive difficulties during the asylum procedure, especially for children and their rights.*

*The purpose of this seminar is to advocate for a stronger and more effective protection of asylum-seeking children, as vulnerable persons, and their rights within the EU asylum system.*

*The biggest challenge faced towards the achievement of the main purpose of this study is the paradoxical characteristic of asylum, which is that "asylum transcends national boundaries, but it can only be set in motion within national boundaries". In summary, bringing international protection into operation presupposes domestic legislation that is politically based on the doctrine of national sovereignty. In this seminar, we will show that the EU legislation on asylum differs from the asylum regime of its Member States in crucial areas that affect the rights of asylum-seeking children. Furthermore, the recently adopted EU Migration and Asylum Pact (2020) proposes new changes that indirectly hinder the rights of asylum-seeking children. The seminar points out the urgent need to address the EU asylum system flaws to solve consequential issues, such as the increased risk of further violations of children rights in the future.*

*In addition, we will refer to issues related to migratory phenomena, such as bias on contagion during the Covid-19 pandemic, the need to correctly address the nutritional needs of migrants and, once more, the relevance that the family has to provide for the needs of its members.*

*The presentations during the seminar, together with other written contributions, will be gathered in a book.*





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## SPEECHES SCHEDULE

### Short introduction

*Caterina Luciani and Mario Di Giulio Mario*

*(Respectively, President and Vice President of The Thinking Watermill Society and both partners of Pavia e Ansaldo Law Firm)*

### Silent Cries: Research Report to the Need for Increased Protection of Child Asylum Seekers in the EU

*Maria Angela Wangui, Davis Kosgei, Anita Wambui (LB from Strathmore University)*

### A Combined Effort Towards Refugees Protection Action

*Linet Muthoni (PHD) and Kimberly Mureithi (Kenyan Lawyer)*

### Considerations on the Combined Effort towards Refugee Protection Action

*Luis Franceschi (Professor and Senior Director at Commonwealth)*

### The Relevance of the Family in the Migration Process

*Hector Franceschi (Professor at Santa Croce University)*

### Nutritional Status of Migrant and Refugee Children in EU

*Manon Khazrai Yeganeh (Professor at Campus Bio-Medico University)*

### Migrant and Infectious Diseases: why stigma?

*Massimo Ciccozzi (Professor at Campus Bio-Medico University)*

