



Group of the Progressive Alliance of
Socialists & Democrats
in the European Parliament

Social and Legal Protection of Children in the EU: Focus On Unaccompanied Migration Children

6 February 2020, 10.00-12:00

European Parliament in Brussels, Room JAN 6Q1

Co-hosted by

MEP Caterina Chinnici, S&D Group

MEPs David Lega & Michaela Šojdrová, EPP Group

Concept note:

The aim of the seminar is to provide an overview of the legal framework of social and legal protection of children and practices in selected EU countries - namely Czech Republic, Italy, Sweden and Greece. The focus will be on the situation of unaccompanied children.

The seminar would gather stakeholders from the relevant countries and Brussels (partners of the Intergroup on Children's rights).

AGENDA

1. Welcome remarks by MEPs **David Lega** and **Caterina Chinnici**

2. Situation in selected EU Member States with a Q&A session after each country presentation:

Moderated by Emilio Puccio, Coordinator of the Intergroup on Children's Rights; Lukáš Pachta, assistant to MEP Šojdrová (short discussion after each bloc)

➤ **Czech Republic:**

- **Michaela Šojdrová**, MEP

➤ **Martin Rozumek**, Organization for Aid to Refugees & **Petr Pöthe**, Czechs Are Helping

➤ **Italy:**

➤ **Caterina Chinnici**, MEP, Co-Chair of the Intergroup on Children's Rights

➤ **Caterina Ajello**, Chief Prosecutor, Juvenile Court of Catania, Italy

➤ **Sweden:**

- **David Lega**, MEP, Co-Chair of the Intergroup on Children's Rights

- **Martin Ärnlov**, Secretary General of the Swedish Red Cross

➤ **Greece:**

- **Eva Kaili**, MEP

- **Kostas Kyrmanidis**, Arcis, Greece

- Representative of the Greek Permanent Representation tbc

3. Discussion

4. Reflections from **Valeria Setti**, European Commission Coordinator for the Rights of the Child & **Isabela Atanasiu**, Legal Officer, DG Migration and Home Affairs, Asylum.

5. Concluding remarks by the MEP **Michaela Šojdrová**

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