



Building on the findings and recommendations from the United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children Report to the UN General Assembly on child protection in travel and tourism

12 October 2023 | 9.00 am - 1.30 pm
Roundtable with three thematic panels
Registration from 8.30 am

Conveners: ECPAT International with PACT and the office of the United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children (OSRSG VAC)

Venue: Salvation Army building, 221 E 52nd St, NY 10022, Manhattan, New York

Registration: To attend the event online or in-person, register [here](#)

PROGRAMME **(three thematic panels)**

- 1. Children's perspectives** on how tourism delivers its promises of sustainable development.
- 2. The role of the travel and transportation industry** in preventing and addressing child exploitation.
- 3. The financial sector's role** in addressing child sexual exploitation.

8.30 - 9.00 - Registration

9.00 - 9.10 - Opening and welcome remarks

- **Guillaume Landry**, Executive Director, ECPAT International
- **Lori Cohen**, Chief Executive Officer, PACT – Protect All Children from Trafficking

9.10 - 9.25 - Setting a scene and presentation of the UN report on child protection in travel and tourism submitted to the General Assembly (October 2023) by Dr Najat Maalla M'jid, UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children.

Moderated by Guillaume Landry, Executive Director, ECPAT International

9.30 – 10.30 am - Panel 1: Children's perspectives on how tourism delivers its promises of sustainable development

9.30 - 10.10 – How tourism delivers its promises of sustainable development – perspectives of children, young people, and civil society organisations, a conversation led by **Oscar Valverde**, Executive Director of Fundación Paniamor, Costa Rica with:

- **Eduardo Fonseca Vargas**, Fundación Paniamor, Costa Rica (*in person*)

- **Camila and Yorkiana**, children's representatives (15 years old), Fundación Paniamor, Costa Rica (*in person*)
- **Andrea Sea**, Fundación Quitu Raymi, Ecuador (*in person*)
- **Ana Karla and Paul**, children's representatives from the Fundación Quitu Raymi, Ecuador (*online*)

10.10 – 10.20 – Child participation models – presentation of a video (5 min) developed with children from Costa Rica and Ecuador, and a guidance on building sustainable destinations that protect children.

- **Sendrine Constant**, Head of Research, Learning and Communication, ECPAT International (*online*)

Prerecorded contribution available at www.ecpat.org/global-events-in-new-york

Thomas Ellerbeck, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, TUI Care Foundation

10.20 – 10.30 – Responses in relation to the recommendations from the panel discussion

- Representatives of the UN Permanent Missions (tbc)
- **Frederike Lindau**, Advisor on Children's Rights, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit, GIZ (*online*)

10.30 - 10.45 - Q&A

Coffee break

11.00 – 12.00 - Panel 2: The role of the travel and transportation industry in preventing and addressing child exploitation

The panel is organised with the participation of **Dr Najat Maalla M'jid**, the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children.

Opening of the panel: Guillaume Landry, Executive Director, ECPAT International

11.00 – 11.15 – The risk to children in travel and transportation and the ways of making the industry safe for children - a conversation with:

- **Ana Belen Muñoz Romay**, Private Sector Engagement Manager, Fundación Munasim Kullakita, Bolivia as part of the Down to Zero Alliance (*in person*)
- **Julie Crutchley**, Senior adviser and researcher, ECPAT Norway (*online*)
- **Willy Bulloso**, Regional Coordinator for Africa, ECPAT International (*online*)

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Adélaïde Sawadogo, Child Protection Officer, Association Keogo, Burkina Faso

Raymond Kamano, Researcher, Le Monde Des Enfants (MDE), Guinea

11:15 - 11.30 – Promising practices and actionable models from the transport industry

- **Lori Cohen**, Chief Executive Officer, PACT (*in person*)
- **Ximena Fuentes**, Head of Sustainability, Volaris - Top Member of The Code 2023, Mexico (*online*)

11.30 – 11.45 – Responses in relation to the panel discussion

- **Rabbi David Saperstein**, Chair, U.S. Department of Transportation Advisory Committee on Human Trafficking (*in person*)

11.45 – 12.00 - Q&A

12.00 - 1.00 pm - Panel 3: Engaging the financial sector in addressing sexual exploitation of children

12.00 - 12.30 - Understanding the (evolving) digital payment landscape and its impact upon measures to detect and report potential child sexual exploitation and abuse

- **Guillermo Horta**, Financial Crime Risk Management Head and Chief of Anti-Money Laundering Operations, Scotia Bank, Canada (*in person*)
- **Sergio Espinoza**, Director of the Financial Intelligence Unit (UIF), Peru (*in person*)
- **Julie B. Tanner, Managing Director, Responsible Investments, Christian Brothers Investment Services CBIS** (*in person*)

12.30 - 12.45 - A global perspective and localised approach

- **Nelly Corneteg**, Legal Officer, ECPAT Sweden (*online*)
- **Ricardo Valdés**, Executive Director, CHS Alternativo, Peru (*in person*)

12.45 – 1.00 pm - Q&A

1.00 – 1.15 pm - Closing remarks and global Call for Action - Dr Najat Maalla M'jid, the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children - reflecting on the series of panel discussions to step up action based on the recommendations from the Annual Report presented to the United Nations General Assembly 2023 on child protection in travel and tourism.

Group picture

1.15 pm – Sandwiches and refreshments

Online moderator: Fabio González Flórez, Regional Coordinator for the Americas, ECPAT International
Rapporteur: Gabriela Kühn, Head of Child Protection in Travel and Tourism, ECPAT International