

ENOC 2025 SPRING SEMINAR

Day 2

Capacity-building session on Guardianship and Quality of Care for Asylum-Seeking Children in the context of the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum

(in collaboration with European Migration Network (EMN) Luxembourg)

27 May 2025

Venue: [Centre Europa Experience](#) (17, rue John F. Kennedy, Plateau de Kirchberg L-2929
Luxembourg / Tram stop: European Parliament)

Luxembourg

AGENDA

09:00 – 09:30	Arrival and registration
09:30 – 10:00	Welcome & opening Elina Pekkarinen , ENOC Chair, Ombudsman for Children, Finland Danitz Greffrath , Head of the Asylum Department at the Directorate General Migration Marc Angel , Member of the European Parliament, Luxembourg Moderator: Charel Schmit, the Ombudsman for Children and Adolescents in Luxembourg
10:00 – 10:30	EU Pact on Migration and Asylum: changes introduced by the Pact regarding Unaccompanied Minors Helena Pall , European Commission, DG Home, online Moderator: Charel Schmit, the Ombudsman for Children and Adolescents in Luxembourg
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 11:30	EU Pact on Migration and Asylum: implementation and impact on children on the move - the civil society's perspective Laetitia Van der Vennet , Senior Advocacy Officer (Undocumented children, families and youth & Regularisation), PICUM (Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants)



	<p>Moderator: Charel Schmit, the Ombudsman for Children and Adolescents in Luxembourg</p>
11:30 – 12:30	<p>EU Pact on Migration and Asylum: the role of Ombudspersons for Children</p> <p>Charel Schmit, Ombudsman for Children and Adolescents, Luxembourg Eric Delemar, Children’s Rights Defender, France Theoni Koufonikolakou, Deputy Ombudsperson for Children’s Rights, Greece</p> <p>Moderator: Helen Portal, Jurist in the OkaJu Advocacy Unit</p>
12:30 – 14:00	<p><i>Lunch break</i></p>
14:00 – 14:30	<p>Quality care for asylum-seeking children: introduction</p> <p>Charel Schmit, Ombudsman for Children and Adolescents, Luxembourg Valérie Mahé, Deputy Director and Psychologist at Maison Saint Martin, Fondation Maison de la Porte Ouverte (FMPO)</p> <p>Moderator: Serge Thill, OkaJu Political science expert</p>
14:30 – 15:30	<p>Guardianship and quality of care for Asylum-seeking Children: Perspectives from different ENOC members (Andalusia/Spain, Basque country/Spain, Canary Islands/Spain, Catalonia/Spain, Greece, Italy)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How have guardianship and the quality of care for asylum-seeking children (both accompanied and unaccompanied) evolved in recent years? • What role do Ombudspersons for Children play in ensuring quality care for these children? • How can the quality of care be strengthened, particularly regarding health services and the specific needs of asylum-seeking children? <p>Moderator: Adolfo Sommarribas, Senior Legal Migration expert of EMN Luxembourg</p>
15:30 – 16:00	<p><i>Coffee Break and administration of evaluation form</i></p>
16:00 – 16:15	<p>Movie on care for asylum-seeking children in Luxembourg, Fondation Maison de la Porte Ouverte (FMPO)</p> <p>Valérie Mahé, Deputy Director and Psychologist at Maison Saint Martin, Fondation Maison de la Porte Ouverte (FMPO)</p> <p>Moderator: Serge Thill, OkaJu Political science expert</p>



16:15 – 16:30	Closing remarks and end of ENOC Spring Seminar 2025 Moderator: Serge Thill, OkaJu Political science expert
16:30 – 18:00	Field visit (Optional), either : <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>First Reception Center for Unaccompanied Minors (capacity: 10 people)</i>● <i>Péitrusshaus (Crisis management service for young people) (capacity: 9 people)</i>● <i>Rainbow Center (capacity : 15+ people)</i>● <i>Family Planning Center (capacity: 10+ people)</i> <p><i>Division into three groups, registration via the ENOC Google form</i></p>

