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Childhood, violence and psychological trauma: Transcultural perspectives

2 March 2018

Institute of Advanced Studies (Common Ground), UCL, London

Conveners: Dr Kirrily Pells, UCL, and Dr Ana Antic, University of Exeter

Workshop programme

9:30 – Coffee and registration
10.00-10.15 Welcome/introductory remarks

10:15-11:15
Images of global and 'universal' childhoods
China Mills, Sheffield, 'Child as Metaphor: Colonialism, Psy-Governance, and Epistemicide'
Karen Wells, Birkbeck, 'The most protected of subjects; the least protected of subjects: exploring the paradox of childhood subjectivity and violence'
Chair: Rachel Rosen, UCL

11:15-12:15
Emotions without borders
Sabine Lee, Birmingham, 'Children Born of War: identity and memory in volatile post-conflict societies'
Rachael Stryker, Cal State East Bay, 'Youth, Emotional Suspicion, and Emerging Pediatric Psychologies in Palestine'
Chair: Kirrily Pells, UCL

12:15-13:15 Lunch

13:15-14:15
Children's voices: childhood, trauma and narration in international contexts

Melissa Nolas and Christos Varvantakis, Goldsmiths, 'You made me think … 'Today I am becoming a pioneer…'": childhood, biography and politics.'

Luke Pye, 'Giving Migrant Children a Voice through Stories – Migrant Child Storytelling'

Chair: Louise Allnutt, Tavistock

14:15-14:30 Coffee/tea break

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Child soldiering in historical perspective
Ismini Pells, Leicester, ‘Child soldiering in the early modern period’
Stacey Hynd, Exeter, ‘Gendering Trauma: Girl Soldiers and DDR in Africa’s Conflicts, c.1990-2000s’

Chair: Ana Antic, Exeter

15:30-15:45 Coffee/tea break

15:45-17:00
Transcultural humanitarian efforts aimed at children
Emma Soye and Michaelle Tauson (Save the Children UK), ‘Psychosocial Wellbeing and Socio-Emotional Learning in the Syrian Refugee Response: Challenges and Opportunities’

Zeudi Liew (War Child)
Mariana Goetz (Aegis Trust)
Chair: TBA

17:00-18:00 Discussion and next steps