

Changing Perceptions: Achieving Equal Protection for Children

**Wednesday 22 March 2017 from 1pm to 4pm, including lunch
The Pavilion, Stormont Estate, Belfast**

Programme

- 1.00pm Registration and lunch available
- 1.25pm Housekeeping
- 1.30pm Welcome and outline of the afternoon
Mairéad McCafferty, Chief Executive
- 1.35pm Changing views: Northern Ireland and Equal Protection
Koulla Yiasouma, Commissioner for Children and Young People
- 1.50pm Equally Protected? The story in Scotland so far
Pauline McIntyre, Children and Young People's Commissioner's Office,
Scotland
- 2.20pm Ireland's journey to achieve Equal Protection
Jillian van Turnhout, former Senator Seanad Éireann and child rights advocate
- 2.50pm Roundtable discussion and feedback
- 3.30pm Panel Q&A
Chaired by Mairéad McCafferty, Chief Executive
- 3.50pm Equal Protection: steps to supporting children and families
Koulla Yiasouma, Commissioner for Children and Young People
- 4.00pm Close