

International Care Leavers' Convention 2020

Main-event: Day 1 | Nov. 23, 2020

Duration: 3 hours | 1.30 IST, 10.00 AM CET, 11.00 AM EAT onwards

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Opening Session: Welcome and Setting the Context

Key features: This session will consist of

- **Welcome and Introductory address by Organizing Committee** members on the objectives and process of the International care leavers convention, its importance of deciding to deliver it through a virtual format, partners involved and expected outcomes
 - Challenges faced by Care Leavers during the COVID-19 crisis, where young voices present their experiences during this period and the session is followed by response from sector experts on **international commitments to youth**. This session will bring in representatives from UNICEF , UNDP, ILO, UNHABITAT, Youth officer UNDP in Asia,YPAT, GenU and YuWaaah
- **Key note** address by Mr Mark Riddel National Implementation Adviser, Dept. of Education, UK
- The release of an E-Booklet published by Udayan Care, consisting of case studies of Care Leavers from India. The case studies have been taken from the Udayan Care's research Study titled, "Beyond 18" and published in 2019 with support from UNICEF and TATA Trusts. The case studies have been mapped in the resilience framework suggested by Prof. Mike Stein in his research where care leavers could be classified into three groups: 'moving on', 'survivors' and 'victims'.

Plenary 1: Policy and Legal Framework on Care Leaving: Overview, concepts and strategies

Objective: To understand the current policy and legal framework in different countries and propose a wireframe for international policy and legal commitment.

Format: Panel discussion, moderated by sector expert

Methodology: The session will bring sector experts and young persons from different regions, to share the existing policy and legislative frameworks that support care leavers, the challenges and gaps and offer key learnings for nations to learn from. The panelists will share their experiences on the ground and what is the minimum requirement at a country level to support aftercare and care leavers and highlight how and why policy makers must come together at a transnational and international level to put forth a international policy and law framework and commitment to aftercare and leaving care.

Outcomes:

- Better understanding of the existing policy and legislative framework needed on Aftercare as international and national commitments
- Concrete recommendations for collaboration by policy makers at national, transnational and international level on policy and law for Aftercare