

Panel in the Human Rights Council's Social Forum 2025

Human Rights Education for, with, and by youth – Advancing all human rights for all

Friday, 31 October 2025, 15:45-16:30 (CET)
Assembly Hall, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Co-organized by OHCHR, Amnesty International, and Soka Gakkai International, within the framework of the Human Rights Council's Social Forum 2025

Background

Human rights education fosters a shared sense of humanity and empowers children and youth to fulfil their role as global citizens, to take action and uphold their human rights and those of others, and to participate meaningfully in society. In recognition of this, the Human Rights Council, launched the [fifth phase](#) (2025-2029) of the [World Programme for Human Rights Education](#), dedicated to children and youth, with a focus on human rights education in three thematic areas: gender equality, digital technologies and human rights, and environment and climate change. The World Programme was launched by the UN General Assembly as a global initiative to advance implementation of human rights education programmes in all sectors, and is structured in 5-years consecutive phases focussing on specific sectors/themes.

In line with the theme of the [2025 Social Forum](#) of the Human Rights Council (30 – 31 October 2025) — “The contribution of education to the respect, promotion, protection and fulfilment of all human rights for all” — OHCHR is organizing, in partnership with Amnesty International and Soka Gakkai International, a session on human rights education for youth. The session will take place on 31 October 2025, from 15:45 to 16:30 (CET) at the Palais des Nations, within the framework of the Social Forum.

Objectives

The session aims to:

- Highlight the significance of human rights education **for, with, and by youth** as essential to the full realization of all human rights;
- Recognize youth as key actors in **designing, implementing, and evaluating** human rights education programmes;
- Explore **how youth are using human rights education—both in formal and non-formal settings**—as a means to promote and protect human rights in various contexts;
- **Inspire the audience to participate and take action** to promote and protect human rights through human rights education.

Programme

The session will involve a dialogue among young people on the importance of human rights education for, with and by youth as key human rights stakeholders and actors, and will include three

young educators and activists who featured in [Changemakers: Stories of Young Human Rights Educators](#), a multimedia tool co-developed by OHCHR, Amnesty International, and Soka Gakkai International. The in-person event will be in English, with simultaneous interpretation. The programme includes:

Panelists

- Ms. [Aizat Ruslanova](#), human rights educator from Kyrgyzstan (video message)
- Mr. [Andrés Allán Sánchez Osorio](#), human rights educator from Mexico and Panama
- Ms. [Dejana Dexi Stosic](#), human rights educator and activist from Serbia

Moderated by: Ms. Elisa Gazzotti, Programme Coordinator for Human Rights Education, Soka Gakkai International.