

## Conference: *Children, Migration and the Right to Health*



**Thursday 25 – Friday 26 July**

**Sydney Law School, Level 1**  
New Law School Building Annex F10A, Eastern Avenue  
University of Sydney, Camperdown Campus

**#childmigrantrights2019**

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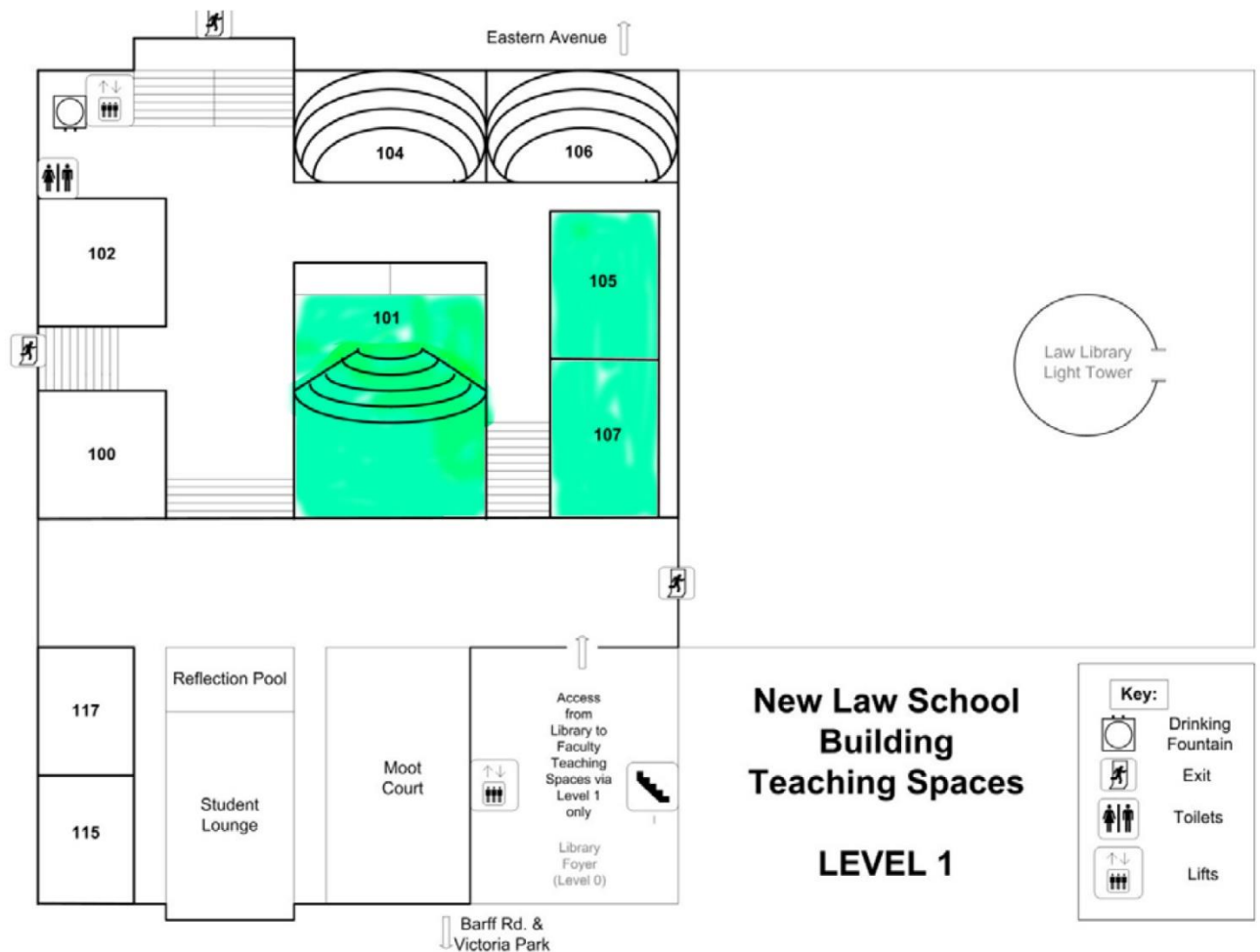
### Conference Rooms - Law Annex – Level 1 – F10A

**Lecture Theatre 101** - Level 1, New Law School Annex Building

**Seminar Room 105** - Level 1, New Law School Annex Building

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## Conference schedule

Day 1 - Thursday 25 July 2019: <i>Frameworks and Challenges</i>	
8.00 – 8.45am	Registration
8.45- 9.00am	Welcome to Country and opening remarks:
Lecture Theatre 101	Professor Simon Bronitt, Head of School and Dean of the University of Sydney Law School
<b><u>Plenary Session 1</u></b>	
9.00 – 11.00am	Introductory remarks by Zaki Haidari: Reflections on childhood as an asylum seeker and refugee
Lecture Theatre 101	Chair: Jemma Hollonds
	<b>Keynote Address: Edward Santow</b> , Australian Human Rights Commissioner, 'Asylum seeker children and their families'
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Professor Mary Crock</b>, Sydney Law School, 'Practical strategies to ensure health and good protection outcomes'</li></ul>
11.00 – 11.30am	Morning Tea
<b><u>Plenary Session 2</u></b>	
11.30 – 1.00pm	<b>Children on the move as forced migrants</b>
Lecture Theatre 101	Chair: <b>Professor Jennifer Burn</b> , University of Technology Sydney and Acting NSW Anti-Slavery Commissioner
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Arezo Malakooti</b>, Global Initiative against Transnational Organised Crime, 'Global movements of children travelling as forced migrants'</li><li>• <b>Dr Kate Van Dore</b>, Griffith Law School, 'Migrant or trafficked? Children on the move to access opportunity'</li></ul>
	<b>Securing the rights of children in supply chains</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Sarah Morse</b>, Unchained Business Services, 'An introduction to Australia's modern slavery laws'</li><li>• <b>Nicole D'Souza</b>, Konica Minolta Australia</li></ul>



1.00-1.45 pm	Lunch
1.45 – 3.15 pm Seminar Room 105	<p><b><u>Breakout Session 1</u></b></p> <p><b>1. Guidelines intensive</b></p> <p>Chair: <b>Dr Andrew Burridge</b>, Macquarie University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Jemma Hollonds</b>, RACS, ‘Practicalities of working with children in the protection visa process’</li><li>• <b>Assistant Professor Sabrineh Ardalan</b>, Harvard Law School, Assistant Director Immigration and Refugee Clinic, ‘Reflections on the Guidelines: A US perspective’</li><li>• <b>Professor Mary Crock</b>, Sydney Law School, ‘Reflections on the guidelines project’</li></ul>
OR Seminar Room 107	<p><b>2. Children, detention and community activism</b></p> <p>Chair: <b>Dr Daniel Ghezelbash</b>, Macquarie Law School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Arif Hussein</b>, Human Rights Law Centre, and <b>Natasha Blucher</b> ‘Reflections on the Kids Off Nauru campaign’</li><li>• <b>Sandy Sandhya Jackson</b>, ‘Power of activism: How the refugee advocacy movement influences legal and social change for children in immigration detention’</li><li>• <b>Nadine Liddy</b>, MYAN Australia, and <b>MYAN Youth Ambassador</b>, MYAN NSW, ‘Developing advocacy skills in young people from refugee backgrounds’</li></ul>
OR Lecture Theatre 101	<p><b>3. Children, national security and citizenship</b></p> <p>Chair: <b>Edward Santow</b>, Australian Human Rights Commissioner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Dr James Renwick SC</b>, Reflections as Independent National Security Legislation Monitor</li><li>• <b>Professor Kim Rubenstein</b>, Law School, Australian National University ‘Children, citizenship and foreign fighters’</li><li>• <b>Meda Couzens</b>, University of Sydney Law School, ‘The best interests of the child in the context of national security’</li></ul>
3.15 – 3.30 pm	Afternoon Tea



<p><b>3.30 – 5 pm</b></p> <p><b>Lecture Theatre 101</b></p>	<p><b><u>Plenary Session 3: Jurisprudence on children and asylum</u></b></p> <p>Chair: <b>Professor Lenni Benson</b>, New York Law School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Kate Bones</b>, Legal Aid NSW, 'Children as Convention Refugees'.</li><li>• <b>Syd Bolton</b>, 'Strategic litigation of migrant children's rights'.</li><li>• <b>Adjunct Professor George Newhouse</b>, National Justice Project/Macquarie Law School, 'Using tort law to effect change in immigration detention'.</li></ul>
<p><b>7.00 – 9.30 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Conference Dinner</b></p> <p><b>Keynote address: Chris Sidoti</b>, Former Australian Human Rights Commissioner</p> <p>Venue: <b>Forum Restaurant</b> Level 1 (street level) – F23 Administration Building, Corner of City Road and Eastern Avenue, Camperdown</p> <p>Tickets: \$110</p>



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	<b>Day 2 - Friday 26 July: <i>Solutions — Towards Best Practice</i></b>
<b>9.00 – 11.00 am</b> <b>Lecture Theatre 101</b>	<b>Video from Nujeen Mustafa</b>  <b><u>Plenary Session 4</u></b>  Chair: <b>Edward Santow</b> , Australian Human Rights Commissioner <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Louise Aubin</b>, UNHCR Representative for Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the Pacific, 'Ageing out: Refugee protection on both sides of 18'</li><li>• <b>Catriona Jarvis</b>, 'Beyond Protection? Addressing challenges to safety and to enjoyment of rights for refugee and migrant children on the move in the Mediterranean and European context'</li><li>• <b>Professor Lenni Benson</b>, New York Law School, 'The Safe Passage Project: Building a pro bono network to assist unaccompanied migrant children in the US'</li><li>• <b>Jennifer Robinson</b>, 'The protection of child refugees in a global and comparative context'</li></ul>
11.00-11.30am	<b>Morning Tea</b>
<b>11.30 – 1.00 pm</b> <b>Lecture Theatre 101</b>	<b><u>Panel discussion</u></b>  <b>Right to Health</b>  Chair: <b>Mary Flanagan</b> , Public Interest Advocacy Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Professor Gerald Neuman</b>, Harvard Law School (<i>via zoom</i>), 'Immigration detention and the protection of children's human rights'</li><li>• <b>Dr Joseph Lelliott</b>, University of Queensland Law School, 'Unaccompanied minors in 'legal limbo': The human rights and health consequences of precarious status.'</li><li>• <b>Associate Professor Mary Anne Kenny</b>, Murdoch University, 'Lethal hopelessness: Understanding and responding to asylum seeker mental deterioration'</li><li>• <b>Dr Nick Martin</b>, 'Nauru, health care and refugee children: the reality of practicing as a doctor on Nauru'</li></ul>
<b>1.00 – 2.00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>



<p><b>2.00 – 3.30 pm</b></p> <p><b>Lecture Theatre 101</b></p>	<p><b><u>Breakout Session 2</u></b></p> <p><b>1. Asylum seeking children</b></p> <p>Chair: <b>Dr Noam Peleg</b>, UNSW Law School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Sarah Dale</b>, RACS, ‘Protecting asylum seeking children: The role of the independent guardian’</li><li>• <b>Professor Leni Benson</b>, New York Law School, ‘Children caught in the web of bureaucratic borders’</li><li>• <b>Associate Professor Savitri Taylor</b>, La Trobe University, ‘Asylum seeking children and the Australian protection visa process’</li></ul>
<p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>Seminar Room 105</b></p>	<p><b>2. Migrant children and best interest determinations</b></p> <p>Chair: <b>Dr Daniel Ghezelbash</b>, Macquarie Law School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Elizabeth Frankel</b>, Young Center for Children’s Rights, ‘Strategies for determining the best interests of migrant children’</li><li>• <b>Dr Belinda Liddell</b>, Refugee Trauma Recovery Program UNSW, ‘Mechanisms underlying the impact of family separation in mental health’</li></ul>
<p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>Seminar Room 107</b></p>	<p><b>3. Refugees and disability</b></p> <p>Chair: <b>Professor Mary Crock</b>, Sydney Law School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Asher Hirsch</b>, RCOA and Monash Law School, ‘Barriers and exclusions: The support needs of newly arrived refugees with a disability’</li><li>• <b>Dr Laura Smith-Khan</b>, University of Technology Sydney, ‘The Right to Health for Refugees with Disabilities’.</li><li>• <b>Associate Professor Edwin Abuya</b>, ‘Child Refugees with Disability in Kenya’</li></ul>
<p><b>3.30 – 4.30 pm</b></p> <p><b>Lecture Theatre 101</b></p>	<p><b>Reflections and concluding remarks followed by Afternoon Tea</b></p>
<p><b>4.30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Close</b></p>