



TRINIDAD HILTON AND CONFERENCE CENTRE, Port of Spain, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

This unique upside- down hotel with breathtaking views of the city is waiting to welcome you to the International Society of Family Law (ISFL) 4th, Caribbean Regional Conference on November 13-15, 2024.

Theme of the Conference: "The Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) at 35 years. A Promise Kept or 'A Dream Deferred'?"

On the momentous occasion of the 35th anniversary of the CRC, delegates to this 4th ISFL Caribbean Regional Conference will commemorate this event with an exciting conference to be held in the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

During the conference, participants will discuss the challenges States face in implementing the CRC, the gains made as States strive to fulfil their obligations under the CRC, assess those duties yet to be met, the dire consequences for such omission and share innovative ideas used to fulfil the promise made to grant to all children the human rights to which they are entitled.

While enjoying the ambience of a tropical climate and feasting on delicious exotic fare that excite the tastebuds, participants at this conference will have their intellect stimulated by a diverse group of child rights advocates from Europe, the Americas, Asia, Africa and various islands of the Caribbean who will meet and discuss violations of child rights in the home, the education system, the welfare system, in foster care, the community and the child justice system. Age old problems of child physical, sexual and psychological abuse will be discussed alongside emerging problems of migrant and refugee children, internet crimes, trafficking in children, cybercrimes and threats from destruction of the environment. Solutions, including restorative practices, will be proffered in an attempt to solve some of the problems.

But it is not all work, for when evening comes and we have enjoyed a sumptuous dinner, steelband music and calypsos and music from other genres, will fill the air. When the final curtain falls on the conference stage, we will know that we have moved closer to the day, when child rights will no longer be "a dream deferred," but have become a reality for all children.

Do visit our website: www.crarjo.org; or email us at: isflregionalconference2024@gmail.com

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