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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

EU strategy on the rights of the child

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Rights of the Child – EU and international frameworks

This Annex presents in detail the relevant rights enshrined in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU, the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and the goals and targets of the UN Sustainable Development Goals protected and promoted by the different strands of the EU Strategy on the rights of the child.

EU strategy on the rights of the	Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union ¹	UN Convention on the Rights of the Child ²	UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
child			
Introduction	Art. 24: The rights of the child Art. 24.2: Best interests of the child Art. 24.1.1: Right of the child to protection and care Art. 20: Equality before the law Art. 21: Non-discrimination Art. 23: Equality between women and men Art. 26: Integration of persons with disabilities Art. 2: Right to life	 Art. 1: Definition of the child General principles: Art. 2: Non-discrimination Art. 3: Best interests of the child Art. 6: The right to life, survival and development Art. 23: Children with disabilities and measures taken to ensure their dignity, self-reliance and active participation in the community, through access to all kinds of services, transportation and institutions, and in particular to education and cultural activities Art. 7 UNCRPD: Children with disabilities Art. 30: Children belonging to a minority or an indigenous group; 	SDG 10: Reduce inequality Target 10.3: Ensure equal opportunity and reduce inequalities of outcome, including by eliminating discriminatory laws, policies, and practices and promoting appropriate legislation, policies, and action in this regard Target 10.2: Empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion, or economic or other status SDG 5: Gender equality Target 5.1: End all forms of discrimination against all women and girls everywhere Target 5.c: Adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls at all levels
			Target 17.2. Implement all development assistance commitments

¹ The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union applies to Member States <u>only</u> when they are implementing European Union law.

² The EU is party to the UN Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD). Relevant Articles of this Convention are also mentioned in this column

Child participation in political and democratic life	Art. 24.1: Right of the child to express his/her views Art. 10: Freedom of thought, conscience and religion Art. 12: Freedom of assembly and of association Art. 22: Cultural, religious and linguistic diversity	General measures of implementation Art. 4: Implementation of the Convention Art. 4: International cooperation Art. 44.6: Make UNCRC reports available to the public Art. 12: Respect for the views of the child Art. 7.3 UNCRPD: Right of children with disabilities to express their views Art. 13: Freedom of expression and the right to seek, receive and impart information Art. 14: Freedom of thought, conscience and religion Art. 15: Freedom of association and of peaceful assembly Art. 42: Knowledge of rights	Target 17.3. Mobilise financial resources for developing countries SDG 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions Target 16.7: Ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels Target 16.10: Ensure public access to information (), in accordance with national legislation and international agreements SDG 4: Quality education Target 4.7: Ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including, among others, through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development
Socio-economic inclusion	Art. 7: Respect for private and family life Art. 9: Right to marry and right to found a family (in relation to their parents) Art. 24.3: Right of the child to maintain on a regular basis a personal relationship and direct contact with parents Art. 33: Protection of family and professional life Art. 34: Social security and social assistance	Art. 5: Family environment and parental guidance in a manner consistent with the evolving capacities of the child Art. 18: Parents' common responsibilities, assistance to parents and provision of childcare services Article 23 UNCRPD - Respect for home and the family Art. 26 and Art. 18.3: Social security and childcare services and facilities Art. 27.1-3: Standard of living and measures taken, including material assistance and support programmes with regard to nutrition, clothing and	SDG 1: End poverty Target 1.1: Eradicate extreme poverty for all people everywhere, currently measured as people living on less than \$1.25 a day Target 1.2: Reduce at least by half the proportion of men, women and children of all ages living in poverty in all its dimensions according to national definitions Target 1.3: Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, including floors, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable Target 1.5: Build the resilience of the poor and those in vulnerable situations and reduce their exposure and vulnerability to climate-related extreme events and other economic, social and environmental shocks and disasters.

	Art. 32: Protection of young people at work Art. 36: Access to services of general economic interest Art. 38: Consumer protection	housing, to ensure children's physical, mental, spiritual, moral and social development, and to reduce poverty and inequality Children in street situations;	SDG 7: Energy Target 7.1: Ensure universal access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services
			SDG 11: Sustainable cities Target 11.1: Ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services and upgrade slums Target 11.2: Provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, () children () Target 11.7: By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children (). Target 8.b: By 2020, develop and operationalise a global strategy for youth employment
Health	Art. 3: Right to integrity of the person Art. 35: Health care Art. 37: Environmental protection	Art. 6.2: Survival and development Art. 24: Health and health services, in particular primary health care Art. 33: Efforts to address the most prevalent health challenges, to promote the physical and mental health and well-being of children and to prevent and deal with communicable and noncommunicable diseases; Art. 33: Reproductive health rights of adolescents and measures to promote a healthy lifestyle; Art. 33: Measures to protect children from substance abuse	SDG 2: End hunger Target 2.1: End hunger and ensure access by all people, in particular the poor and people in vulnerable situations, including infants, to safe, nutritious and sufficient food all year round Target 2.2: End all forms of malnutrition, including achieving, by 2025, the internationally agreed targets on stunting and wasting in children under 5 years of age, and address the nutritional needs of adolescent girls and pregnant and lactating women. SDG 3: Healthy lives Target 3.1: Reduce the global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100,000 live births Target 3.2: End preventable deaths of newborns and children under 5 years of age, with all countries aiming to

reduce neonatal mortality to at least as low as 12 per 1,000 live births and under-5 mortality to at least as low as 25 per 1,000 live births Target 3.7: Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes Target 3.8: Achieve universal health coverage (...) access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all **SDG 5: Gender equality** Target 5.6: Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of their review conferences. SDG 6: Water and sanitation Target 6.1: Achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all Target 6.2: Achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all and end open defecation, paying special attention to the needs of women and girls and those in vulnerable situations Target 6.b: Support and strengthen the participation of local communities for improving water and sanitation management SDG 13: Climate change Target 13.3: Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction and early warning Target 13.b: Promote mechanisms for raising capacity for effective climate change-related planning and

management in least developed countries and small

			island developing States, including focusing on women, youth and local and marginalized communities
Education	Art. 14: Right to education	Art. 28: The right to education, including vocational training and guidance Art. 29: The aims of education with reference also to the quality of education; Art. 30: Cultural rights of children belonging to indigenous and minority groups Education on human rights and civic education; Art. 24 UNCRPD: Education Art. 31: Rest, play, leisure, recreation and cultural and artistic activities	SDG 4: Quality education Target 4.1: Ensure that all girls and boys complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes Target 4.2: Ensure that all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and preprimary education so that they are ready for primary education Target 4.4: Substantially increase the number of youth and adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship Target 4.5: Eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education and vocational training for the vulnerable, including persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and children in vulnerable situations Target 4.6: Ensure that all youth () achieve literacy and numeracy Target 4.a: Build and upgrade education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive and provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all. SDG 8: Economic growth and decent work Target 8.5: Achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value Target 8.6: By 2020, substantially reduce the proportion of youth not in employment, education or training
Combating violence against	Art. 1: Human dignity Art. 3: Right to integrity of the person	Art. 19: Abuse and neglect Art. 9: Separation from parents	SDG 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions Target 16.2: End abuse, exploitations, trafficking and

children and		Art. 20: Children deprived of a family	all forms of violence against and torture of children
child protection	Art. 24.1: Right of the child to	environment	
•	protection and care	Art. 25: Periodic review of placement	SDG 5: Gender equality Target 5.2: Eliminate all forms of violence against all
		Art. 24.3: Measures to prohibit and eliminate all	women and girls in the public and private spheres,
		forms of harmful practices, including, but not	including trafficking and sexual and other types of
		limited to, female genital mutilation and early and	exploitation
		forced marriages	Target 5.3: Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child,
	Art. 4: Prohibition of torture and	Torced marriages	early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation
	inhuman or degrading treatment or	Art. 34: Sexual exploitation and sexual abuse	earry and forced marriage and female genital mutilation
	punishment	A . 27 1 A . 20 2 File 1 1 1	
		Art. 37.a and Art. 28.2: The right not to be subjected to torture or other cruel, inhuman or	
		degrading treatment or punishment, including	
		corporal punishment	
		corporar punismient	
		Art. 39: Measures to promote the physical and	
		psychological recovery and social reintegration of	
		child victims	
		The availability of helplines for children	
		Art. 22: Children outside their country of origin	
		seeking refugee protection, unaccompanied	
		asylum-seeking children, internally displaced	
		children, migrant children and children affected by	
		migration;	
		Children in situations of exploitation, including	
		measures for their physical and psychological	
		recovery and social reintegration:	
	Art. 5: Prohibition of slavery / forced	Art. 32: Economic exploitation, including	Target 8.7: Take immediate and effective measures to
	Labour	child labour with specific reference to	eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery and human
		applicable minimum ages;	trafficking and secure the prohibition and elimination of
	Art. 32.1: Prohibition of child labour	Art. 33: Use of children in the illicit	the worst forms of child labour, including recruitment
		production and trafficking of narcotic drugs	and use of child soldiers, and by 2025 end child labour in
		and psychotropic substances	all its forms
		Art. 34: Sexual exploitation and sexual abuse	
		Art. 35: Sale, trafficking and abduction	
		Art. 36: Other forms of exploitation	

		Child victims and witnesses of crimes: - Art. 39: Physical and psychological recovery and social reintegration - The training activities developed for all professionals involved () in the field of juvenile justice, including the Guidelines on Justice in Matters involving Child Victims and Witnesses of Crime - Art. 38: Children in armed conflicts Follow-up to the Optional Protocol to the UNCRC I and II on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography and on the involvement of children in armed conflict Article 16 UNCRPD: Freedom from exploitation, violence and abuse	
Child-friendly justice	Art. 24.1.2: Right of the child to express his/her views Art. 24.3: Right of the child to maintain on a regular basis a personal relationship and direct contact with parents	Art. 7: Birth registration, name and nationality Art. 8: Preservation of identity Art. 9: Separation from parents Art. 10: Family reunification Art. 11: Illicit transfer and non-return; Measures to ensure the protection of children with incarcerated parents and children living in prison with their mothers. Art. 27.4: Recovery of maintenance for the child Art. 21: Adoption (national and intercountry) Article 23 UNCRPD - Respect for home and the	SDG 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions Target 16.3: Promote the rule of law at the national and international levels and ensure equal access to justice for all Target 16.9: Provide legal identity for all, including birth registration Target 16.10: () Protect fundamental freedoms, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements SDG 10: Reduce inequality 10.7 Facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, including through the
	Art. 6: Right to liberty and security Art. 18: Right to asylum Art. 19: Protection in the event of removal, expulsion or extradition Article 43: European Ombudsman Art. 45: Freedom of movement and of residence Art. 46: Diplomatic and consular protection Art. 47: Right to an effective remedy	family Children in conflict with the law, child victims and witnesses of crimes and juvenile justice: • Art. 40: The administration of juvenile justice, the existence of specialized and separate courts and the applicable minimum age of criminal responsibility • Art. 37.b-d: Children deprived of their liberty and measures to ensure that any arrest,	implementation of planned and well-managed migration policies.

	and to a fair trial Article 48: Presumption of innocence and right of defence Art. 49: Principles of legality and proportionality of criminal offences and penalties	detention or imprisonment of a child shall be used as measures of last resort and for the shortest amount of time and that legal and other assistance is promptly provided • Art. 37.a: The sentencing of children, in particular the prohibition of capital punishment and life imprisonment and the existence of alternative sanctions based on a restorative approach • Art. 39: Physical and psychological recovery and social reintegration	
Digital and information society	Art. 8: Protection of personal data Art. 11: Freedom of expression and information	Art. 16: Protection of privacy and protection of image Art. 17: Access to information from a diversity of sources and protection from material harmful to a child's well-being	SDG 9: Resilient infrastructure/innovation Target 9.c: Significantly increase access to ICT and strive to provide universal and affordable access to the Internet in least developed countries by 2020
Global dimension		rter of Fundamental Rights of the EU, the UN Convent coment Goals are also relevant for all actions included	tion on the Rights of the Child and the goals and targets of in the Global dimension section of the strategy.