In association with CREAN, the European Children’s Rights Unit at the University of Liverpool is pleased to host the 7th Children’s Rights Research Symposium (CRRS). In keeping with the six prior symposia (Liverpool 2013, Cork 2014, Antwerp 2015, Leiden 2016, Geneva 2017, and Belfast 2018), the event invites doctoral candidates and supervisors from different universities and disciplines (law, sociology, education, anthropology, psychology, history) to come together to explore and develop research related to children’s rights. The theme for 2019 is:

*Children’s Rights Research at 30: Reflections, Challenges and Opportunities.*

November 20th 2019 will mark thirty years since the United Nations General Assembly adopted the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child in New York. Since then, the Convention has been the principal driving force behind a global children’s rights culture, which has dominated international children’s policy. The event aims to draw upon theoretical and practical challenges to children’s rights scholarship both then and now.

**Key Note Speakers:**

To be announced in due course.

**Call for Papers:**

Doctoral students from the children’s rights field are invited to present their research by submitting an abstract of no more than 300 words. **Deadline for submission is 1st November 2019.** Please send your abstract to livechildrights@gmail.com. The themes and issues proposed should allow for discussions between participants on a range of disciplines and methodologies. Preference will be given to doctoral students who have at least one year of research experience.

**Deadlines:**

- **October 25th:** deadline for 300 word abstract.
- **November 1st:** all students must confirm their supervisor’s attendance, together with the name of their attending supervisor.
- **November 15th:** extended 1,000 word abstract and include full references.

**Selection Notification:**
Please save a copy of your submission. Applicants will be notified via email of the Symposium Reading Committee’s selection decision.

**Key information and programme:**

A schedule of events will be sent to participants in early December. It is anticipated that there will be a social event on the evening of Sunday 15th, a morning activity involving the Young Persons Reference Group, and an evening meal on Monday 16th. The University of Liverpool Campus is located close to the Liverpool’s city centre.

Please visit [https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/law/research/european-childrens-rights-unit/events/localinformation/](https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/law/research/european-childrens-rights-unit/events/localinformation/) for information about travel, parking and recommended accommodation. Follow [@LIVEChildRights](https://twitter.com/LIVEChildRights) for details of the event and to keep up to date with research being undertaken by the [European Children’s Rights Unit](https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/law/research/european-childrens-rights-unit/).