

Beyond Ideology and Greed - Trajectories of Young People towards New Forms of Violence in Côte d'Ivoire and Mali



9 March 2017 from 15.30 to 17.00 at the Palais des Nations Room VIII

UNICEF and Interpeace have the pleasure of inviting you to a panel discussion on 9 March, at the Palais des Nations on the margins of the 34th session of the Human Rights Council.

Ideology and the lack of employment opportunities for young people have long been portrayed as the primary root causes for youth violence. However, Interpeace's research in Côte d'Ivoire and Mali, with the support of UNICEF, shows that these are only secondary factors and that youth's violent acts are an expression of their need to find a place in society, to be recognized and valued.

The speakers will explore the origins of youth participation in violent extremism and gang violence and address the need for efforts to address youth violence to preserve the dignity of youth, in line with the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Speakers



Ms. Leila Zerrougui
Special Representative of the UN
Secretary-General for Children and
Armed Conflict



Ms. Marilena Viviani
Director of the UNICEF Geneva
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Mr. Scott Weber
Director-General of Interpeace



Dr. Séverin Kouamé
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