



NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR CHILDREN RIGHTS

**/ WHY DESIGNING A STRATEGY? – 14 ARGUMENTS THAT IMPLY
DESIGNING A NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR CONDITION OF THE
CHILDREN RIGHTS IN KOSOVA/**

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- a. Is and obligation and international standard. Without this there is no right improvement and advancement of children rights condition.

National strategy for children of Kosova is what is called *conditio sine qua non*, not only preparing a national strategy for children rights is an obligation and standards but because of the improvement of children rights condition in Kosova, creation of a friendly society for children in Kosova, development of a normal, sustainable and cohesive society that lives in peace and progress and also welfare, tolerance and understanding between different ethnic, religion, gender communities and other society classes.

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- b. Without the strategy, there is no equality in maximal development of children in physiologic, genetic and psychical aspect, there are no human relationships, there is no synchronized and advanced work in children and human rights protection field.

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- c. Without a national strategy we cannot design a functional program of education in children and human rights

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- d. Without a strategy we cannot build a complete package of children rights condition indicators

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- e. Without a strategy we cannot know real conditions of children and human rights in Kosova – Strategy should be build upon allinclusive expertise on children rights condition.

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- f. Without strategy there is no successful synchronisation and coordination between organs, governmental and nongovernmental organization that work with human rights in general and children rights specifically

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- g. Without a strategy we cannot overcome current differences that exist between some ethnic, religion, gender differences

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h. Only with a strategy for children rights we can secure active involvement of the ethnic, religious, gender community in protection of human and children rights

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i. Only based on strategy basis we can design functional action plans in protection of human rights field

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k Strategy is an requirement and standard for regional and European integration

l. Most of the democratic states have compiled strategies for protection of the children rights

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Strategy should be designed because:

ll Kosova does not have an accepted package of the children rights condition indicators that is compatible with international indicators

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m. Children rights condition in Kosova when compared with the package of international indicators is very difficult (from 123 indicators Kosova has about 12 indicators that are in favor of better conditions in children rights in Kosva, and about 103 indicators that do not exist or talk about bad conditions of the children rights in Kosova (see Annex 1)

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n. Children strategy is designed from EU. EU has defined some guidelines about how to design a national strategy for protection and promotion of children rights

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ANNEX 1.

PACKAGE OF CHILDREN RIGHTS INDICATORS THAT SHOULD BE DESIGNED FOR KOSOVA

No.	INDICATOR NAMES	YES	NO
1	Budget indicators and resources that support convention implementation		X
	<i>Existence of a national strategy for children</i>		X
	Is printed and distributed: World declaration on existent, protection and children development		X

	A action plan exist for application of the Declaration in favor of existence, protection and children development		X
	Existence of children rights law		X
	Existence of reporting regular system for national strategy application		X
	Existence of a board or committee for coordination of national strategy implementation and monitoring		X
	Representation of the nongovernmental groups in the board or committee for national strategy coordination and monitoring		X
	Secured resources for effective functioning of the children's board		X
	Similarity of the Framework and Children Rights Convention		
	a. Existence of the systematic analysis of the legislation influence and policies in children rights		X
	b. Existence of a independent office for children		X
	c. Existence of an national curricula for children rights education		X
	d. Existence of a sustainable training for children rights with professionals that work with children including teachers, juries, social workers, officials that deal with law application		X
	e. Existence of a children jury		X
	f. Existence of a law that, foresees children's placement in institutions as a possibility is family where this is in children interests.		X
	<i>Existence of budget indicators for children that support the International Convent for Children Rights</i>		X
	a. Published analysis of the government for children expenditures in local and central level		X
	b. Percentage of the spent budget on primary health care		X
	c. Percentage of the budget spent on education (primary, secondary and higher education)		X
	e. Percentage of the budget is spent on children protection		X
	f. Percentage of the national salaries that go for the poor		X
2	Indicators for the civil rights and civil freedom		
	a. With legislation children participation was secured on school leadership		X
	b. The age of the children is determined when they are able to express their opinions regarding their guardianship in case of adoption -		
	c. Courts do not base their opinion on children that influence other children		
3	Indicators that deal with the name right		X
	A free of charge universal and mandatory system for registering births	X	
	Time interval is determined between birth and registration	X	
	Registration certificate consist of both parents names	X	
	A process for deciding about the true parent in some suspicious cases and also those initiated by the children	X	

	An existence of national law about birth conditions		X
	Statistics about unregistered births		X
4.	Indicators for protection from abuse, and the rights of freedom		X
	Ratification of the International Convent against Abuse		X
	Legislation against abuse, rigid and non human actions		X
	Existence of an mechanism for complains in case of abuse		X
	Existence of law limitations against physical violence against children		X
	Existence of statistics for children deaths		X
	Existence of law for protection of children rights		X
5	Indicators of the family environment in alternative care		X
	a. Family law	X	
	b. Existence of the legal solution which foresees the possibility of putting children in the appropriate institutions as the last possibility when the children should leave his family for its own good		
	Existence of an open system for the teenage parents with no support		X
	Existence of an created system for the children database in institutions		X
	Existence of the system for registering adopted children		X
	Existence of an registration system for the children that do not live with natural parents, do not live in freedom, that live in institutions		X
	System of orphan registration		
6.	Indicators for social support and life standard		
	Percentage of the children that live in poor families, with one parent, or with an teenage parent		X
	Existence of the law for orphan rights for ownership		X
	Percentage of the public sector expenditures that goes for children		X
	Existence of an governmental system for children monitoring in danger		X
7	Indicators for health and welfare		
	(Children below age 5		X
	Existence of the data's for existence		X
	Data's for physical health		X
	Bad nutrition		
	Breast feeding		X
	Vitamin A deficiency		X
	Mental Health – Appropriate programs and statistics for mental health		
	Immunization program		X
	Clear definition of the health care		X
	Clear policies and data for clean water and hygiene		X
	Clear policies for infant deveopment		X
	Sustainable policies and statistics for health care		X
	Children above age 5		X
	Policies for children survival		X
	Clear policies on children physical development		X
	Data on bad nutrition		X

	Policies on prevention of the sexually transmitted diseases		X
	Sustainable policies for fighting sterility below and above age 15		X
	Sustainable policies for prevention of chemical abusion		X
	Mental Health - Programs for suicide prevention		X
	Statistics on suicide		X
	Health services – Sustainable policies for development of the health care		X
	Policies and confidential statistics for clean water and hygiene		X
	Programs in health education	X	X
	Children with special needs		
	A legislation that has clear policies for services that answer needs for children with special needs		X
	Confidential data for children with special needs that use services		X
	Families of the children with special needs that take financial support		X
	Permanent statistics for the number of the children with special needs that are part of the regular education		X
	Statistics and confidential and permanent data's for children with special needs placed in special institutions		X
	Security and living standards		X
	National security of the social security		X
	Proportional number of the children with special needs that take social support		X
	National borders on poverty	X	
	Children statistics that live under poverty level		X
	Plans on child care assitsance		X
	Confidential statistics for children that live under poverty level, families that take other forms of benefits		
	Statistics data for children that live without security condition		X
8	Indicators for education, leisure time and cultural activities		X
	Confidential statistical data for children that attend primary schools below age 5		X
	Statistics and confidential data for children achievements in primary school		X
	Confidential data for children that have finished mandatory education		X
	Statistics for educated teenagers		X
	Sustainable policies for school attendance for pregnancy teenagers.		X
	Education policies for children with special needs	X	
	Policies for disciplinary measures in schools		X
	Lessons about children rights are enabled	X	X
	Statistics for illiterate children		X
	Children statistics that left primary school		X
	An education system that is accepted from all ethnic communities that live in Kosova.		X
	Teaching of the children rights is part of the curriculum for teacher's	X	

	training		
	Existence of safe playing zones		
	Established conditions for joining to the sports and cultural organizations	X	
	Leisure time in schools is organized		X
	Indicators for protection measures		X
	<i>Indicators for special protection measures</i>		X
	Statistics for victim children of the armed conflict		X
	Statistics on number of the children influenced by the armed conflicts		X
	Percentage of children that take humanitarian assistance		X
	Effective measures for prevention children recruitment in armed conflicts		X
	Measures on psychologic treatment and social re-integration of the children victims of the armed conflicts		X
	Measurement index of the effects at children of armed conflicts		X
	<i>Children abuse</i>		
	Existence of the children percentage data that attend school		X
	Data on children percentage that work and do not attend school		X
	Standards on work and children working conditions		X
	Policies and programs on children work		X
	Existence of the children statistics involved in law system for under aged		X
	Statistics on children that don't have the freedom and those that are under judgement		X
	Court for underage children		
	Statistics on mortality		X
	Sustainable policies for prevention of discrimination		X
	Children nutrition standards for children with no freedom	X	
	Sustainable policies on education of the children with no freedom		X
	Mechanisms for complains		X
	Data on children perception of the law system		X