



IV World Congress on Child and Adolescent Rights

The *IV World Congress on Child and Adolescent Rights* will take place in Puerto Rico* from the 15th to the 18th of November 2010. This renowned event draws nearly 1,000 participants and more than 20 countries are represented. Its main objective is to provide an academic, scientific and professional forum for the interdisciplinary exchange of ideas, knowledge and experiences regarding the human rights of children and adolescents. At the same time, it comprises an international encounter for the effective participation of children and adolescents. The three previous World Congresses were held in Isla Margarita, Venezuela, in 2003; Lima, Peru, in 2005; and Barcelona, Spain, in 2007.

The central theme of the *IV World Congress* is “The best interest of children and adolescents: Well-being and development in the new world economic order.” The program will be structured around six general thematic areas: poverty, education, health, participation, identity and violence. These have been drawn from the considerations and conclusions of the *Barcelona Declaration* authored by the children and adolescents who participated in the III World Congress on Child and Adolescent Rights in 2007. You may access www.iiicongresomundialdeinfancia.org for information on the preceding World Congress held in Barcelona.

The *IV World Congress on Child and Adolescent Rights* is being organized by Defensores PROCDN, a nonprofit volunteer based organization promoting the rights of children in Puerto Rico. Please take note and feel free to forward this information.

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