

Donor Conception & Surrogacy

PREVENTING & ADDRESSING POST CONCEPTION COMPLEXITIES

This workshop provides an opportunity to consider and respond to various complexities in third party reproduction. In the interest of future families, the aim is to place their needs and human rights at the centre, in particular children born in these situations.

This workshop will provide a unique opportunity for discussions between an interdisciplinary international group comprised of Donor Conceived (DC) adults, DC parent(s) and donor(s), together with practicing and academic bioethicists, children's rights experts, legal, psychosocial and medical practitioners. It will include global and national actors from the UN, HCCH, Government, and Civil Society. The field is rich with interdisciplinary questions, compounded by varying legal contexts including cross-border challenges.

Online preparation meetings

Two online meetings (90 minutes) will be organised for all experts with the purpose of meeting each other and starting the discussions ahead of the Brocher event. It will also be an opportunity to consider potential outputs and prepare "outlines" or "martyr drafts" where there is agreement.

- 13h00-14h30 CET 27 February 2025
- 13h00-14h30 CET 26 May 2025

Potential Outputs

As a result of the expert meeting, we will consider the following outputs which we will discuss during the preparation meetings :

- Expert meeting summary
- Academic paper(s)
- Briefing notes on "Considering the child's needs & rights" directed at different persons (intending parents, donors, States, lawyers and medical practitioners etc.)
- Other ideas etc.