



# Time to Talk!



## Children's Views on Children's Work

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### Dear colleagues and friends,

With 2018 the officially last year of the „Time to Talk!“- journey started. Many steps towards the promotion of children´s participation have been made during our project. There is are a lot exciting – old and new – waiting for us this year!

Let´s have a look at the projects, events and opportunities!



# Global Child Forum 2018 in Stockholm

After the release of the Time to Talk! Report we received a lot of interest in our methodology, results and impacts. The Global Child Forum (GCF), a Swedish foundation which was initiated by His Majesty King Carl XVI. Gustaf and Her Majesty Queen Silvia of Sweden, invited us to the 10th Forum in Stockholm to present the project and provide a unique space for working children to participate and advocate for themselves. The GCF is a platform for business leaders, UN and NGO agencies about how children's rights can be better respected and integrated in business practices.

We provided this special invitation to the 17 Children Advisory Committees and asked for applications to represent as delegates the many children's voices of Time to Talk! Five Committees submitted powerful and moving applications and two delegates, **Fauza (16)** and **Kesia (17)** from Indonesia were nominated as speakers. On the 11th of April, after several workshops with the Indonesian Children's Advisory Committee and the two representatives, Fauza and Kesia proudly hold a speech on stage in the Royal Palace of Stockholm to appeal to all 300 present business representatives to listen to the working children as they are affected and involved in many ways. Kesia and Fauza called for urgent action and said: "**We have a dream that there will be joint efforts between children, families, communities, governments and the business sector to promote and fulfill children's rights.**"

Give yourself an impression and listen to the speech on the Time to Talk!  
Website: [Global Child Forum: Speech of Working Children](#)

Further opportunity to offer the necessary space for children's participation at the Forum was provided: All Children Advisory Committee members were invited to address their questions to the conference speakers. The **Nepalese Committee** members took advantage of this opportunity and sent their on point questions to the business leaders. Congratulations to the Nepalese Committee who were virtually present throughout the whole conference day. We compiled all the answers from business persons, so that everybody gets the chance to read it on our website: [CAC-Questions at the GCF.](#)

Also the echo in the German and Indonesian media was enormous - over 60 different publications about what Fauza and Kesia said! Another big step to raise consciousness about the working children's voices!

# Time to Talk! - Main Reports

The **Time to Talk! - Report** was published at the Global Conference of the Sustained Eradication of Child Labour in Argentina in November 2017: [Time to Talk! at GLOCON17](#). An updated version of the report including findings of the National Exchange, where working children advocated for themselves with their national Time to Talk! results will be available soon, as well as the German, French and Spanish version. We will keep you followed up – or have a look at our website yourself: [Time to Talk: Main Report](#)

## Paul's Diary - Child Friendly Report

One of our main principles is the participation of the working children in every matter concerning them. They helped us through the whole process of planning, implementing and consulting. **“Paul's Diary”** – a child friendly Comic about our Time to Talk! campaign, is an attempt to provide the findings and results to all participated working children, and also every other child which is interested.



In the comic, Paul and Supermaia travel the world and during their journey they meet different working children with different backgrounds and life stories. With their Superpower-Tools like "A day in the life of..." and the "Flower of Support" they interview the children and share the messages to all people in the world who can help working children to improve their lives.

Paul's Diary is available in the different [language versions](#): German, English, Spanish, French, Thai, Kyrgyz and Arabic. Hindi and Nepali are soon to come.

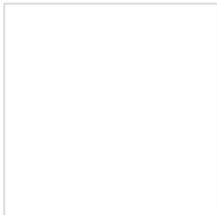
## Validation and Lessons Learned

As we are in the last chapter of our Time to Talk! journey and it's time to see if we have reached our goals! For this reason, the Consultants and Steering Committee members started a process to validate the used methodology of the process and tools to see if they were (or were not) practical, suitable and purposeful. Of course, for this process we are reliant on your help!

# Simply explained

Last but not least a new publication of Time to Talk! in a child friendly language is about to come. The brochure explains in a simple and comprehensive way what are the results and outcomes of the IV Global Conference of the Sustained Eradication of Child Labour in Argentina. It is based on the official Buenos Aires Declaration which was signed by the attending member states and unions.

It is meant to be a material to provide information about global debates on child labour to working children. The brochure is available in German, and will be soon in English, Spanish and French.



Any questions, queries or ideas you'd like to share with us?  
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With the best wishes from our headquarters in Duisburg,

Your "Time to Talk!"-Team

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