



INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION
OF LIBERAL YOUTH

28 million child refugees

Noting that

- 28 million children all over the world are fleeing from war and violent conflict, according to UNICEF
- Children make up only one third of the world's population, but more than half of all refugees are children.
- 17 million of these are internally displaced due to various violent conflicts
- The number of child refugees has increased by 75% over the last five years, and the number was doubled between 2015 and 2016.

Considering that

- Children are often dependent on other people, and are especially vulnerable to exploitation. Child refugees are also particularly exposed to dangers like malnutrition, drowning, kidnapping, rape and murder.
- Many child refugees incur debt due to human trafficking, and they are often led straight into criminal environments.

IFLRY calls for

- All countries to contribute to increase the safety of these children by giving them permanent residence permit when they cannot be returned due to the absence of a caregiver.
- The international community to cooperate in order to secure safe routes and conditions for child refugees.
- The international community to agree on a written, international agreement on how to provide safer conditions for displaced children