

Breaking the Chains: Year 1 Evaluation Launch

Online on Zoom
23 September
from 5-7pm

Presenting key learnings about how effective legal representation can be provided to children and young people vulnerable to exploitation, and what more is needed to create effective change

Register at:

<https://breakingthechainsyear1launch.eventbrite.co.uk>

Breaking the Chains is a partnership project dedicated to improving outcomes for Albanian children and young people seeking asylum in the UK.

The project aims to provide children and young people with high quality casework while listening to and amplifying their voices to share learning about how best to protect this vulnerable group. It also offers a chance to think strategically about the issues faced by the children and young people, and to harness their energy and talent to provide peer support within and across communities.

We are delighted to have the Rt Hon Stephen Timms, MP introducing this event. Lawyers and academics working on the project will present key learnings, and the young people involved in the project will host and present their art work, their experiences, and their views will be showcased throughout.

Those registering will be emailed a few days before the event with joining instructions and a final programme. In case of any questions, please email deborah@islingtonlaw.org.uk



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17:00 Welcome from the Immigration Champions

17:05 Welcome and Introduction to Breaking the Chains
Rt Hon Stephen Timms MP

17:10 Our Lives
The Immigration Champions

17:30 Lack of access to legal services
Esme Madill (Solicitor, MiCLU)

17:40 The Impact of the hostile environment on children and young people
Flutra Shega (Shpresa Programme) and the Immigration Champions

18:00 Findings of the Year 1 evaluation: The view from outside
Dr Rachel Alsop (Lecturer, University of York)

18:20 Changing the law: strategic action and the partnership model
Ronan Toal (Barrister, Garden Court Chambers)

18:40 Providing effective representation – what works
Gurpinder Kaur Khanba (MiCLU)

18:45 Question and answer session

18:55 The Future
Anna Skehan (MiCLU)

19:00 Close

breathing human beings, aren't even consciously aware of our existence most of the time. We float around like listless ghosts from one dull place to another, fading into the background and just hoping for something more.

We yearn to break free from this inescapable cycle of monotony but we just don't know how.

