

Take a stand against child poverty

Eurochild launched petition to end child poverty

In the framework of the European Year 2010 against Poverty and Social Exclusion, Eurochild launched this week its campaign website "[End Child Poverty Now!](http://www.endchildpoverty.eu)"

Till the end of the Year Eurochild seeks to gather 100,000 signatures which will then be handed over to Europe's political decision makers.

Eurochild's Secretary General, Jana Hainsworth, said:

"One in five children living in poverty before the crash was unacceptable - in the current economic crisis many more families and children are now at risk of poverty."

She continued:

"Not investing in children is an affront to children's rights today and jeopardises the future of Europe tomorrow."

Eurochild invites especially children and young people to join the campaign as their voices and opinions are rarely heard. For that reason the campaign website is also offering a space to post a message on child poverty. It shall show that there are faces, lives and stories behind the numbers.

To be among the first to sign the petition and to leave a message, browse to <http://www.endchildpoverty.eu>

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Eurochild is a network of organisations and individuals working in and across Europe to promote children's rights and improve the quality of life of children and young people. Eurochild's work is underpinned by the principles enshrined in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.



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