



**Informal interactive dialogue on
“Childhood with dignity: Eliminating child labour in all its forms,
including forced recruitment and use of children in armed conflict”**

**Tuesday, 13 May 2025, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Trusteeship Council Chamber, United Nations Headquarters
Programme**

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	<p>Opening segment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• H. E. Mr. Philemon Yang, President of the General Assembly• Mr. Gilbert F. Hounbo, Director-General of the International Labour Organization (ILO)• Ms. Cristina Isabel Lopes da Silva Monteiro Duarte, Under-Secretary-General and Special Advisor on Africa to the United Nations Secretary-General• H.E. Ms. Claudia Fuentes Julio, Chair of Alliance 8.7 and Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations at Geneva (pre-recorded video message)• Ms. Molly Namirembe, testimony from a former child labourer (pre-recorded video message)
10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<p>Interactive panel discussion</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Cynthia Samuel-Olonjuwon, ILO Special Representative to the UN and Director of the ILO Office for the UN <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Pablo Espiniella, Senior Special Assistant, Chief of Staff, Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children• Mr. James Gray, Senior Advisor Child Protection, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)• Mr. Timothy Ryan, Chairperson of the Global March Against Child Labour• Ms. Shea Gopaul, Permanent Representative of the International Organization of Employers to the UN, Co-Chair of the UN Business and Industry Major Group. <p><i>To be followed by interventions by Member States and observers of the General Assembly. NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC will have the opportunity to intervene, time permitting.</i></p> <p>Closing remarks by Mr. Gilbert F. Hounbo, Director-General of ILO</p>