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ACTIVITY REPORT 2016

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Madam,
Dear Sir,
Dear Friends of children’s rights and of the IDE!

2016 was a busy year, during which the IDE provided support to professionals engaged in children’s rights, while consolidating the three pillars of the IDE, i.e. awareness-raising, training, and action for children’s rights.

The IDE, a recognized centre for academic competency, strives to conciliate the lived realities of professionals working with children, and the academic world. In 2016, the IDE pursued its mission to create a culture of children’s rights, based on the vision of the child as a fully entitled beneficiary of rights. This is done by raising-awareness among professionals working with children in many countries.

From West Africa to Latin America, from Switzerland to Somalia, the IDE worked on a variety of places - and subjects - in 2016 (like the alternative care of children, child migration, school culture, joint custody or the child’s access to justice). These points will be discussed further in the report.

2016 was a year of upheaval: The influx of child migrants, either alone or accompanied by family members, brought professionals to feel powerless to address the distress of those who had lost everything. The rise of fundamentalism and fanaticism – both political and religious – has brought the IDE to intensify its efforts in the field training, given that education is the only effective response to extremism. The trainings provided by the IDE are in line with international recommendations, namely the General Comment no 5 of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC/GC/2003/5). They are based on the needs of children and on the needs of child-care professionals, and aim to bring about change through the respect of children’s rights, especially their right to participation, and this approach allows to capitalize on the experience acquired by the IDE and the professionals it trains. The creation of a network through which professionals learn how to work together in an interdisciplinary manner is necessary, and represents a real challenge for professionals. Quality training is considered to be dispensed in a life-long and systematic manner in order to bring about social change. This is the strategy that allows the IDE to achieve its third objective, i.e. the realization of concrete changes in practices in the field. 2016 proved, once again, that this is possible despite a difficult political and social context. Thanks to the tenacity of its team, the IDE achieved very much.

These activities would not have been achieved without the collaboration of a number of precious partners (and friends) which comprise the IDE’s network, i.e. the Interfaculty Centre for Children’s Rights of the University of Geneva (CIDE), the Swiss Foundation of the International Social Service (ISS), the Terre des hommes Foundation – Helping children worldwide (Tdh), the Sarah Oberson Foundation, the Education21 Foundation, Defence for Children International (DCI), the Centre for Judiciary Training in Dakar (CFJ), the Alliance for the Rights of Migrant Children (ADEM) and the Child Rights Network Switzerland (RSDE). We thank them all immensely.
We are also deeply grateful for the support and the year-long generosity of the following actors:

- the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
- the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)
- the Swiss Federal Social Insurance Office (FSIO)
- the OAK Foundation
- the Service for International Solidarity of the Canton of Geneva
- the City of Sion
- the Canton of Valais
- the Lottery romande
- the Children First Foundation (Les Enfants d’Abord)
- the Nicolas Puech Foundation
- the Pierre Gianadda Foundation

The Director
Paola Riva Gapany
AN OVERVIEW OF IDE 2016

IN 2016, WE HAVE DIRECTLY IMPACTED THE LIVES OF AT LEAST 36000 PERSONS THROUGH OUR TRAINING, CONFERENCES, SEMINARIES, AWARENESS-RAISING DAYS, AND ONLINE ACTIVITIES.

### AWARENESS-RAISING

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INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

In 2016, the IDE continued to profile itself as a centre of expertise for training in children’s rights at the international level, especially through the pursuit of its programs in 4 geographic regions: West Africa, Latin America, Western Europe and South-Western Asia. Also, the IDE began a quite longstanding project: teaching online.

WEST AFRICA

The Certificate in children’s rights and child protection for professionals from the entire region of Western Africa was delivered on July 22 in Dakar (Senegal). Thirty-two laureates from 13 countries received their diplomas in the presence of the Swiss Embassy. On August 4, in Conakry, Guinea, the International Social Service organized a graduation ceremony for the participants who were unable to come to Dakar.

This certification is the result of a successful partnership with the Centre for judiciary training in Dakar (CFJ), the ISS West African Network, and a successful academic collaboration with the University of Geneva. The training is the first of its kind in West Africa, and was welcomed with great success! The program will be renewed in partnership with a local university.

Partners: CFJ in collaboration with the CIDE and the ISS RAO, with the support of the CAPE
Beneficiaries: 32 professionals from 14 Western and Central African countries
Dates: July 22 and August 4

“This training program, which was the first of its kind in West Africa, was a real success!”

Aline Sermet, Project Manager

CHINA

After 10 years of activities in China, the IDE program came to an end with a conference in Shanghai on October 10 and 11. The event was held on the theme of Protection of children and their rights: International and Chinese Experiences, and was organized in partnership with the School of Social Development and Public Policy of Fudan University and the CIDE.

Partners: Fudan University and CIDE
Participants: 12 students
Dates: October 10-11

INDIA

In India, the IDE is working on an academic partnership between the National Law University Odisha, and the University of Geneva (CIDE), in order to implement an academic training program in the field of juvenile justice. The NGO HAQ Centre for Child Rights, which is based in New Delhi and under the direction of Mrs Enakshi Ganguly is also associated to the project. In July 2016, the vice-rector of the University of Odisha expressed its intent to collaborate with the IDE. The University of Odisha was also the first Indian University to create a “Centre for Child Rights” supported by UNICEF in 2015.
LAUNCH OF THE E-LEARNING

For a number of years, the IDE had the profound wish to implement a project which finally came into being in 2016: teaching online. E-learning is evidently essential toward disseminating the knowledge, tools and good practices in implementing children’s rights which have been accumulated by a small experienced team!

“The MOOC in children’s rights is our Christmas gift!”
Paola Riva Gapany, Director

MOOC IN CHILDREN’S RIGHTS

The MOOC entitled *Children’s Human Rights: An Interdisciplinary Introduction* was launched on the Coursera platform on December 13, following 2 years of preparation. The MOOC offers participants an overview of the main themes in children’s rights education. Following its launch, thousands of people have signed up to follow the course.

Partner: CIDE
Participants: 2500 at the time of its launch
Date: As of December 13

LATIN AMERICA

In Latin America, the CAS in Juvenile Justice via e-learning was created through collaboration between the IDE, the CIDE and Terre des hommes. This training program is useful for professionals working with/for children in conflict with the law, child victims and child witnesses, i.e. police officers, prosecutors, judges, institutional and penitentiary personnel, educators, psychologists, doctors, criminologists, migration professionals, researchers, etc. The first of 5 modules of this training program will commence in April 2017. This international CAS, which will be firstly carried out in Spanish, will be made available in other languages in the future.

Partner: Tdh and CIDE
Objective: Meet the important need in training in the field of juvenile justice
Dates: April 2017 - March 2018 (5 modules)
THE IDE REQUESTED FOR TAILOR-MADE TRAINING

In its capacity as a centre of expertise in children’s rights, the IDE is often called upon by partners, States and institutions to support creation of training programs. In order to do this, the IDE applies its own methodology, based on the transmission of knowledge, tools and good practices among interdisciplinary groups, which results in the establishment of useful relationships between academia and field operatives.

SENEGAL

In Senegal, the second training of trainers program in juvenile justice in the regions of Kaolack and Diourbel took place in 2016, on the model of the program of 2012-2014. Four modules were held throughout the year, with the final module taking place in Sion, Switzerland, which was attended by 14 participants. Prior to the graduation ceremony, during which the participants received certificates of attendance, the Senegalese delegation visited spaces linked to juvenile justice and located in the cantons of Western Switzerland: open and closed institutions, detention centres, juvenile courts, the office for penal mediation, the child protection unit and the children’s rights commission at the Genevan bar association.

A meeting with a group of about 10 alumni from the FFJJ1 and the 2016 participants was organized during the second module. This allowed emphasizing the importance of interdisciplinary training for learning to work together throughout the penal chain. Some alumni also were solicited by the IDE in order to become trainers in turn.

Partners: CFJ and the Swiss Embassy in Dakar
Beneficiaries: 14 professionals
Dates: Module I, February 29 to March 4, Module II May 30 to June 3, Module III July 18-22, Module IV August 29 to September 2

Somalia takes a stand on children’s rights.

SOMALIA

Following the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child by Somalia in 2015, the IDE has begun the preliminary work to create a training program to aid in the implementation of children’s rights, aimed at professionals from all fields: academia, the State and civil society. This training program is made possible thanks to the operational support provided by the association RAJO, a long-time partner of the IDE. A day of reflection was organized on November 7. It brought together approx. 50 people, and paved the way for the creation of a network of professionals who can be reached at the following address: info@childsrights.org.

A group of Somalian participants (Ministry of Interior, University, Civil Society) pledged to elaborate a strategic plan of action, and a number of NGOs will elaborate an alternative report for the CRC. These documents will be presented and discussed with the IDE in the spring of 2017.

Partners: RAJO
Participants: 50 people (government, academia, NGO, diaspora)
Date: November 7
BULGARIA
Bulgaria requested that the IDE strengthens its programme for building the legal and institutional capacities of the judiciary system in the field of juvenile justice, which was developed by the IDE in 2015, and with 3 thematic complementary modules (training trainers, juvenile penal mediation, techniques for hearing children). The 3 modules will be carried out during the first semester of 2017. In the future, specialized courts for children will be created in these countries.

**Collaboration:** Swiss-Bulgarian Cooperation, Bulgarian Ministry of Justice

CZECH REPUBLIC
The fourth project tying the Czech NGO Cesko-britska o.p.s. and the IDE entitled *Child friendly Justice. Children and Media* was launched in July 2015. It came to a close during a two-day conference in May 2-3 2016 in Brno, which was carried out in the presence of approximatively 50 professionals working with and for children, as well as two judges from the Supreme Court.

The methodological guide *Society Friendly to Children in Difficulties*, which brings together legal, ethical and psychosocial themes in the context of social and legal child protection in the field of media, was first published in June 2016. The IDE (Paola Riva Gapany, Jean Zermatten and Renate Winter, expert) elaborated a number of articles commenting on the good practices in Switzerland that are applicable to the Czech Republic (related to privacy and media, access to justice, child victims and witnesses).

**Collaboration:** Cesko-britska o.p.s
**Participants:** 52
**Dates:** May 2-3

MOLDAVIA
At present, Moldavia does not possess specialized courts for children, and is faced with the problem of children left behind by parents following parental migration. In this context, a day-long conference and workshop was organized on June 20 in Chisinau. The event was entitled *An interdisciplinary approach to juvenile justice: Legal norms and psychological principles*. The event was organized in collaboration with the Moldavian government, the CIDÉ, Terre des hommes and UNICEF, and brought together 50 people. The event was geared towards juvenile court judges, prosecutors, lawyers, police officers, social workers and psychologists working within the penitentiary system for children and adolescents, as well as towards professionals from the probation system and other concerned professionals.

**Collaboration:** Government, CIDÉ, Tdh, UNICEF
**Participants:** 50
**Dates:** June 20-21

PÆDIATRICIANS
On June 20, at the conference for practitioners of the medico-surgical department of pædiatrics at the CHUV, Mrs Paola Riva Gapany took the floor before the psychosocial pædiatrics and perinatal period group of the GHOL in Nyon, with a talk entitled *Children’s rights: What is at stake for health professionals in Switzerland in 2016*. This conference allowed achieving 1 SSP credit for lifelong learning.
ABUSE AGAINST CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS
On the occasion of the conference organized by the ASPI, the Swiss-Italian Foundation for Help, Protection and Support for Children in Lugano on October 26-28, the IDE presented its recommendations for the implementation of children’s rights in Switzerland. The international congress marking the 25 years of the organization was entitled *Abuse against children and adolescents are everyone’s business: How to prevent maltreatment and promote good treatment.*

“IN-HOUSE” TRAINING

In Switzerland, the IDE continues to train students and professionals via the provision of diplomas which are awarded by the University of Geneva (CIDE).

CAS CHILD VICTIMS, CHILD WITNESSES: HEARING CHILDREN IN JUSTICE PROCEEDINGS
The fourth edition of the CAS Child Victims, Child Witnesses: Hearing Children in Justice Proceedings was geared toward professionals working in the fields of judgeship, mediation, police, child protection and the Bar (socio-psycho-judicial intervention). It began in March 2016 and will come to a close when students submit their thesis in September 2017.

**Collaboration:** CIDE  
**Participants:** 12  
**Dates:** 6 modules between March 2016 and May 2017

INTERDISCIPLINARY MASTER’S DEGREE IN CHILDREN’S RIGHTS
The eighth edition of the Interdisciplinary Master’s degree in Children’s Rights (MIDE) is taught by the CIDE, in collaboration with the IDE which teaches some classes. The new academic year welcomed 45 new students in autumn 2016. The students of the MIDE are required to complete an internship during their studies, and the IDE regularly hosts the students as interns.

**Collaboration:** CIDE  
**Participants:** 45  
**Dates:** September 2016 to February 2018

By the close of the seventh edition, 27 diplomas were delivered.

MASTER OF ADVANCED STUDIES IN CHILDREN’S RIGHTS
The 2015-2016 cycle (7th edition) of this two-year training program taught by the University of Geneva (CIDE), which provides education to professionals from different backgrounds (jurists, psychologists, sociologists, judges, social workers, NGO personnel, academics, journalists), began in February 2015 with 19 participants. The IDE takes part in the tutoring of the students and also teaches some classes.

**Collaboration:** CIDE  
**Participants:** 19  
**Dates:** February 2015 to December 2016
RESEARCH AND ACTION THROUGH THE NETWORK

SWISS CENTRE OF EXPERTISE IN HUMAN RIGHTS

On June 29 2016, the Federal Council decided to implement a national institution for human rights. This decision was communicated to the media by the Swiss Centre of Expertise in Human Rights (SCHR). As a pilot project, the SCHR was successful in demonstrating the necessity of such an institution. The SCHR continues to function as a centre for services, charged with the mission of promoting the implementation of human rights in Switzerland until the new national institution is put into place.

Switzerland will have an institution for human rights!

In 2016, the work done by the SCHR cantered around three main axes of research: the restrictions and deprivation of liberty, access to justice and the rights of particularly vulnerable groups. The thematic domain of the SCHR that the IDE is responsible for (in collaboration with the CIDE) is the domain of Children and Youth Politics, which developed the question of access to justice from the viewpoint of the child. In collaboration with the domain Migration, this domain is leading a study of the implementation of the Guidelines on Child-friendly Justice of the Council of Europe, with a focus on hearing children during the placement process in civil procedures, and during the expulsion of a foreign parent. In collaboration with the Gender domain, it is co-leading the research axe on Access to justice. The Gender domain and the Children and Youth Politics domain organized a conference in Berne on August 30 2016, entitled Access to Justice for everyone: An imperative of Human Rights. Current challenges for Switzerland in the field of the rights of women and children, during which the first results of the study were discussed.

Collaboration: SCHR
Participants: 100, from various backgrounds
Date: August 30 2016

CHILD RIGHTS NETWORK SWITZERLAND

In the framework of its participation in the Child Rights Network Switzerland, of which it is a founder-member, the IDE completed a table which indicates the contact persons who ensure implementation on the federal level, in the various intercantonal conferences and NGOs, of each Concluding Observation emitted by the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child to the Swiss State in its report dating February 4 2015. The summary was created by the Federal Social Insurance Office (FSIO), in collaboration with the Conference of Cantonal Directors of Social Affairs (CDAS) and the Child Rights Network Switzerland (RSDE).

On the occasion of the International Day of Children’s Rights (20 November), the RSDE published an overview of the efforts made to implement the recommendations of the CRC to the Swiss State. This work, ensuring the follow-up to the implementation process, is ongoing, and the IDE has namely met with Mrs Avenard, the Defender of the Rights of Children in France, in order to exchange upon this process.

ALLIANCE FOR THE RIGHTS OF MIGRANT CHILDREN

In the month of August, the Alliance for the Rights of Migrant Children (ADEM), of which the IDE is a founding member with the Terre des hommes Foundation – Helping children worldwide,
and the Swiss Foundation of the International Social Service, took a stance on the situation of unaccompanied minors turned away in the region of Chiasso (Ticino) and Como (Italy), restating the authorities on the particular vulnerability of the children and their rights.

On November 10, the annual conference of the ADEM brought together the federal and cantonal authorities, institutions and representatives of NGOs in Berne on the theme of the harmonization of care for migrant unaccompanied minors in Switzerland. The conference allowed to take stock of the recommendations emitted in the spring by the CDAS pertaining to harmonization. The ADEM, which had reiterated its desire to witness the establishment of cantonal standards in this field, applauded the recommendations while committing to follow-up on their implementation.

“The unaccompanied minors in Chiasso/Como are extremely vulnerable.”

**ADEM**

Collaboration: SSI, Tdh, SRC
Participants: 112
Date: November 10

The ADEM also partook in an international symposium entitled *Global Migration/Asylum Governance: Advancing the International Agenda* (workshop on child migrants). The event took place in Geneva on October 10-11. The symposium was organized by the University of Geneva, the University of California Davis and the League of European Research Universities.

**ISPCAN**

On May 5-7, the IUKB welcomed the general assembly of the International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN). The CIDÉ and the IDE actively participated in this high-level meeting of the international multidisciplinary association of professionals active in the field of child protection.

**SARAH OBERSON FOUNDATION**

In 2016, the IDE continued to support the campaigns led by the Sarah Oberson Foundation, which is specialized in the issue of child disappearances. Between 2014 and 2016, the Foundation led a number of information campaigns in schools in Valais and the population of the canton. The Foundation is also involved, with the HES-SO Valais-Wallis, in the quantitative research on disappearances, in order to support its awareness-raising work. The long-term objective is to enlarge this knowledge to all Switzerland by creating yearly national statistics and by promoting scientific research.
AWARENESS-RAISING IN SWITZERLAND

In 2016, the IDE organized seminars for awareness-raising on an academic level, by bringing together a vast audience, in partnership with the CIDE (UNIGE) and other organizations pertaining to the themes.

NOVEMBER 2O IN GENEVA

The International Day of Children’s Rights (November 20) was celebrated by a morning of reflection in Geneva on the theme of living together in school. The event was organized by the CIDE and the Department of Public Education, Culture and Sport of the Canton of Geneva. Twenty-two professionals from the fields of health, education and social action met at the Museum of Natural History. Methodological approaches and pedagogical tools were discussed as means to promote education to democracy and citizenship.

Collaboration: CIDE and DIP
Participants: 22
Date: November 16

PEDAGOGICAL TOOLS

One of the gravest gaps that the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child indicated in its Concluding Observations to the Swiss State pertained to the lack of awareness-raising to children’s rights in schools. Since 2015, the IDE, in collaboration with the Foundation éducation21, is proud to engage in the conception and production of pedagogical materials on children’s rights that are shared with teachers and pupils throughout Switzerland. The material allows the stakeholders to engage in a classroom discussion during the International Day of Children’s Rights.

“The school directors ordered the pedagogical materials by the dozens!”

Céline Morisod, Project Manager

In 2016, the selected theme, i.e. bullying in school contexts, was met with a great interest. The directors of school institutions ordered the pedagogical material by the dozens. In total, about 13 308 documents were ordered in a paper format (6 000) or downloaded (7 308), which represents about 700 classes sensitized, based on the Swiss average of 19 pupils per class. Moreover, 62 300 copies were advertised through pedagogical reviews such as l’Éducateur, Bildung Schweiz and Scuola ticinese.

Partner: éducation21
Beneficiaries: 81 368 teachers (educators)
Date: November 20
INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS-RAISING

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR IN OCTOBER
In 2016, the International Seminar of Sion, a focal event for the awareness-raising activities led by the IDE, took place in a new location, Geneva. A big international conference on the theme of alternative care took place in October 3-5. The event was co-organized by the IDE, the CIDE, and a steering committee comprised of 10 international agencies (Better Care Network, Centre for Excellence for Children in Care in Scotland, Hope and Homes for Children, International Federation of Social Workers, International Social Services, International Federation for Educational Communities, Red latinoamericana de Acogimiento Familiar, Save the Children, SOS Children’s Villages International and UNICEF).

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Some 380 experts, professionals, university students, researchers, representatives of governments and youth having lived in alternative care came together, in order to reflect upon right decisions for children deprived of parental support or at risk of belonging to this category. No less than half of the countries in the world were represented. By bringing together actors from academia, policy making and practitioners in the global field of alternative care, the conference (which secondary title was Building on the Momentum) sought to build on the Guidelines relative to the alternative care for children, which were approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 2009.

An internet website dedicated especially to the conference has received some 5,900 visitors, and its twitter feed included some 152 participants, who continued to prolong the debate through the use of the conference’s official hashtag #alternativecare2016.

Partners: CIDE and 10 international agencies
Participants: 380
Dates: October 3-5
MAY CONFERENCE
On May 19-20, a conference took place on the theme of alternating custody (or alternate residency or hosting) in Sierre. The conference was entitled *New forms of parenting: A time to sharing...but what about the child?* It is the seventh edition of the conference, which was organized by the University of Geneva’s Interfaculty Centre for Children’s Rights and the IDE, in collaboration with the Valais Canton’s Service for Children and Youth, and the Applied School of Pedagogy of the Valais Canton. The quality of the presentations was appreciated by the professionals in the audience who found inspiration for the future practices. Some 235 people attended the conference on its first day and some 200 attended the second day. The publication of the conference paper is planned for 2017.

**Partners:** CIDE, Canton VS, HES-SO VS  
**Participants:** 245  
**Dates:** May 19-20

SUMMER UNIVERSITY
The traditional Summer University on Children’s Rights took place on June 6-17. This was the third consecutive year the training took place as part of the Geneva Summer School program and entitled Children at the Heart of Human Rights.

**Collaboration:** CIDE  
**Participants:** 22  
**Dates:** June 6-17

PRIX VEILLARD CYBULSKI
The Veillard Cybulski Association Fund, which is hosted by the IDE, awarded its 2016 prize to the Maori judge Heemi Tamaunu. He was recognized for his pioneering work, entitled *The experience and operational protocols of the Rangatahi Court*. The work led to the creation of courts for Rangatahi in New-Zealand. Many countries struggle with the fact that a disproportionate number of individuals from ethnic minorities are involved in juvenile court procedures and are subsequently detained. The laureate introduced a system in which Maori children and their families become actors within the procedures.

ONLINE AWARENESS-RAISING
The internet website www.childsrights.org remains the awareness-raising tool of choice, especially thanks to the publication of weekly editorials related to children's rights. Social media (Facebook Institut international des Droits de l’Enfant and twitter @info_ide) continue to gain attention, supporting awareness-raising and promotional activities.

**Beneficiaries:** 18394 users, i.e. + 1226 compared to 2015, against -330 in 2015 compared to 2014.  
**Facebook friends:** 1639 (+324, against +450 in 2015)  
**Twitter followers:** 585 (approx. +174, against +90)  
**Newsletter subscriptions:** 1059 (+93, against +106)
PUBLICATIONS

The IDE carried out two major publications:

**JUVENILE JUSTICE: THE FUNDAMENTALS**

Editors Philip D. Jaffé, Michel Lachat, Paola Riva Gapany, Renate Winter and Jean Zermatten bring us a publication gathering together thirty experts from the field in a 500-page book filled with knowledge and personal experiences. The publication sheds light on the normative framework that exists, and provides objective insight into intervention strategies; the main questions that should guide the actions of all stakeholders in the framework of legal action, or dejudiciarization, are discussed; the publication emphasizes the importance of training. The English translation of the book will come out in 2017.

**THE CHILD IN VALAIS, 1815-2015**

A two-year research project on the history of childhood in the Canton of Valais was carried out in the framework of the celebration of the bicentenary of the canton since its inclusion into the Swiss Confederation (2015). The publication *The Child in Valais, 1815-2015* was unveiled on November 25 at the Pierre Gianadda Foundation in Martigny. Roughly one hundred people attended a number of conferences marking the occasion, as well as a concert by the students from the cantonal school of music.

**Partners:** CIDE, SHVR, HES-SO VS, HEP VS, Valais/Wallis Promotion

**Participants:** 100

**Date:** November 25

The publication includes many illustrations and is published in three separate volumes. The publication was elaborated in collaboration with the review *Annales valaisannes* published by the Historical society of Eastern Valais. A child-friendly version of the book for primary and secondary schools is planned.
PERSONNEL

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WORKED FOR THE IDE IN 2016:

- Mrs Paola Riva Gapany, Director (80%)
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- Mrs Céline Schollerer, Administrative Collaborator IDE, and CAS Child Victims, Child Witnesses: Hearing Children in Justice Proceedings (50%) since November 2
- Mrs Victoria Busch, Intern MPC (100%) until July 31
- Mr Josias Agua Rosada, Intern MPC (100%) since August 1
- Mrs Evelyn Monnay, Website and Social Media Content Coordinator (50%)
- Mrs Elvira Fischer, Webmaster (50%)
- Mrs Faustina Défayes and M. Marc Zufferey, Interns
- Mr Daniel Burnat, Head of Geneva Office (20%)
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