

Report of IFSW Europe Regional Representative/Commissioner

For Delegates Meeting 2024

Please send this report to europe@ifsw.org by 20th October 2024

Your name	Anna Deneher
Your association	IASW (Irish Association of Social Workers)
Commission or Organisation where you represent IFSW Europe	Eurochild
Date of report	19 th October 2024
When did you start being the representative?	June 2021
Do you have a support person/group?	Yes
Do you wish to continue for the year 2024/25?	Yes
If you wish to continue, do you need a support person/group?	Have a support person
Please list the main events and meetings you attended between June 2023 and September 2024	 Eurochild Extraordinary General Meeting, 22nd November 2023 Annual General Assembly, 23rd May 2024 Eurochild Members Networking Convention, Malta 2nd- 3rd July 2024
Please describe other work you undertook in your role (e.g. policy work, writing, contributing to webinars etc)	Collaboration with IASW colleague on IFSW workshop presentation to Eurochild Members Networking Convention.



 Follow up with IFSW colleagues following Delegates meeting 2024 re submission of member's National Action Plans for the European Child Guarantee

Please describe your main achievements in this role in the last period

- Networking and developing working relationships with Eurochild staff and members during Members Networking Convention in July 2024 as first in-person meeting of Eurochild members since joining in 2021.
- I have been able to contribute to discussions on the issues of deinstitutionalisation and to collaborate with an IASW colleague in presenting a workshop on this issue on behalf of IFSW Europe at the Convention in Malta in July 2024. The Irish Association of Social Workers has recently endorsed a campaign to end orphanage care and orphanage volunteerism.
- Follow up with IFSW members re submission of members' National Action Plans for the European Child Guarantee

If you wish to continue in your role, please list your key objectives/aims for the next year.

- To consolidate working relationship with IFSW staff and other Eurochild members
- To continue work with the thematic group <u>Children in Alternative</u> <u>Care which</u> aims to prioritise and support deinstitutionalisation for children in alternative care as well as children in aftercare
- <u>To continue to work with IFSW Europe members in the implementation of the National Acton Plans for the European Child Guarantee.</u>