

Press information

ARE CZECH CHILDREN THREATENED BY A CRISIS IN THE FAMILY?

On **11.11.2008**, at the Hotel Hilton in Prague, **a conference will take place bearing the name “Children in Danger”** organised by the research agency Media. The conference, initiated by the Sirius Nadace, focuses on tackling children’s issues in the Czech Republic.

On the basis of results from the Median survey, which will be presented at the conference, **the Czech population does not see a crisis in the family as being an important cause of the problems of children in danger**, the opposite opinion is held by representatives of the non-profit and state sector and by professionals in children’s’ issues. The following will talk at the conference Doc. PhDr. Šulová Lenka, CSc., head of the Social Psychology Department at the Charles’ University and PhDr. Hana Pazlarová from the Social Work Department at the Charles’ University.

60% of the population think that the standard of living for children in the Czech Republic is better or the same as in other advanced economies. This opinion will be supplemented by a lecture from Mgr. Adam Křístek from the Advice Bureau for Citizenship, Social and Human Rights, which will present the international view on the childcare situation here in the CR.

State representatives will also be present among the lecturers, for instance Mgr. Kateřina Jirková, Head of the Family Policy Department, **will present, for the first time, the new plan for the family from the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs.**

The majority of the population (66 %) believes that it would notice a child in danger in its surroundings. JUDr. Šárka Špeciánová will look at the practice from the cooperation between social workers and health care workers when seeking out children that have been abused or neglected from the standpoint of the legislation.

For more conference information go to <http://www.nadacesirius.cz/aktivity/konference-ohrozene-dite/>

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