

You will be pleased to know that 16th Congress of IUAES on“Humanity, Development and Cultural Diversity” has been organized during July 27-31, 2009 in Kunming, China

IUAES' Commission on Childhood and Youth, under the chairmanship of Prof Deepak Bahera of Sambalpur University, India, is organizing a special session on Childhood Child Labour and Globalization.

About the session: Childhood, Child Labour and Globalization

In the last two decades, societies of both developed world and developing world experienced significant changes in their childhood at local as well as global level. If, digitalization and consumer culture has changed the contours of western childhood, computerization and influx of information through internet and electronic media has altered the indigenous and traditional childhood of developing countries in manifold. The phenomenon of child labour and children's work has gained the new meanings and significance for children themselves. Privatization and liberalization in global economic order has changed the forms and meanings of child labour. Given to this, social scientists have proposed a new debate of child labour through development perspective. Corporate social responsibility and business ethics are now discussed in the light of development and child labour. The latest economic recession and its impact on labour market will also be an important issue.

The proposed session will address the issue of child labour from various perspectives and tries to focus on other related issues of childhood in the light of child labour in present phase of globalization. The debate on development and globalization will be engaged to understand various contributions of children through their paid and unpaid 'work' and their 'agency'.

Session Organizer: Vinod Chandra

I am extending an invitation to you. If you are interested in attending this Congress and this session, please let me know and prof Bahera ([baheradk@gmail.com](mailto:baheradk@gmail.com))so that we will inform the exact numbers of participants in this session to Congress organizers.