



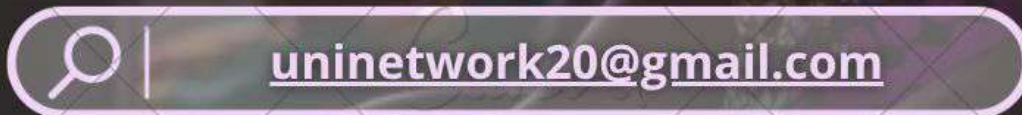
PARTECIPATION & REGISTRATION

- ✓ The Autumn School 2025 is free of charge and open to *students, researchers, and professionals from all regions of the world.*

- ✓ Fully Online
Week One: on Zoom
Week Two: on Zoom

- ✓ Participants who attend at least 80% of sessions and actively engage in course activities will receive an Official Certificate of Completion issued by the *Universities Network for Children in Armed Conflict (UNETCHAC)*, and supported the *Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI)*.

- ✉ Full programme and registration form will be available on *our bio, website, instagram stories and dedicated highlights.*





WHO CAN PARTECIPATE?

The Autumn School 2025 welcomes participants from *diverse academic and professional* backgrounds who share a commitment to the protection and empowerment of children affected by armed conflict.

It is open to:

- ✓ Final-year undergraduate;
- ✓ Master's;
- ✓ PhD students in *Law, Political Science, International Relations, Anthropology, Sociology, Education, Psychology, and related disciplines;*
- ✓ Young professionals and practitioners working in *human rights, humanitarian aid, peacebuilding, development cooperation, or child protection sectors.*
- ✓ Participants are expected to come from different regions and cultural contexts, creating a truly global classroom where diverse perspectives enrich collective understanding.



CONTENT OF THE COURSE

The *Autumn School* adopts an interdisciplinary and participatory approach, drawing on *law, sociology, anthropology, psychology, and international relations*.

The thematic areas include:

- ✓ International legal frameworks on *child protection* and the *rights of former child soldiers*;
- ✓ Psychosocial and trauma-informed approaches, with attention to *recovery, resilience, and community support systems*;
- ✓ Education, vocational training, and livelihood strategies as essential tools for *reintegration*;
- ✓ Transitional justice and accountability mechanisms to address *violations and restore dignity*;
- ✓ Gender and identity in reintegration, with a focus on the *distinct challenges* faced by *girls and young women*, including *stigma and social exclusion*;
- ✓ Community-based reconciliation and social cohesion, highlighting the role of *local actors, youth organisations, and civil society* in building inclusive peace.



STRUCTURE OF THE COURSE

The *Autumn School 2025* unfolds across two complementary weeks, blending youth engagement with academic expertise.

- ✓ **Week One – Youth Perspectives Week**
Led by *YouthNet – Mediators for Peace and Security*, this week empowers *young leaders* to design and facilitate discussions, workshops, and reflections on the reintegration of children affected by conflict, guided by mentors from the Network.
- ✓ **Week Two – Academic & Expert Week**
Lectures, panels, and interactive sessions led by professors and *international practitioners* explore legal, psychosocial, educational, and policy dimensions of reintegration, with a strong focus on gender-sensitive approaches and community-based recovery.
- ✓ The course combines *expert-led lectures, workshops, and simulations* with a Pre-Course Reading Pack, recorded sessions, and a digital networking platform for global collaboration.



ABOUT THE COURSE

The Autumn School 2025, “Rebirth: Empowerment and Rehabilitation of Children in Armed Conflict, with a Focus on Girls” marks the *5th Edition* of a global learning initiative promoted by the *Universities Network for Children in Armed Conflict (UNETCHAC)* and supported by the *Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI)*.

This year’s edition explores the theme of Reintegration, a process that embraces the emotional, social, and educational dimensions of rebuilding a life after war. Reintegration is a journey of *dignity, healing, and empowerment*. For girls, it also means confronting *unique challenges* such as stigma, gender-based violence, and interrupted education, and transforming them into spaces of *resilience and strength*.

Participation in the course is completely **FREE OF CHARGE, reflecting UNETCHAC’s commitment to making *high-quality education and capacity-building opportunities accessible to all*.**



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