



**I was born. I exist. Add me to the list.**

## **ACCELERATING BIRTH REGISTRATION FOR THE HARDEST-TO-REACH POPULATIONS — THOSE LIVING IN POVERTY**

To be registered at birth is a fundamental human right, essential for our very existence, and vital if children are to be protected from harm and are to have access to what they need to grow and thrive. A three-part webinar series has been organised to better identify the nexus between birth registration and poverty at global, regional, and national levels, and go beyond words to mobilise action. The series will help in accelerating birth registration for the hardest-to-reach populations and in analysing how international commitments and regional frameworks translate (or fail to translate) into effective national policies and implementation strategies. The webinars will also examine the cost of action versus the cost of inaction and address the critical intersection of statelessness and birth registration.

The first of the three webinars will focus on Senegal, the second on the Africa region, and the final one on the global level including other regions. The webinars will include members of the hardest-to-reach populations — adults and children with lived experience of poverty. Professionals working in the area of birth registration and legal identity will be asked to give an honest assessment of the gap between global/regional commitments and national implementation and to identify pathways for more effective and practical interventions. What works and what doesn't work? What needs to be improved?

### **EVENT HIGHLIGHTS**

- participation of children and adults with lived experience of poverty

### **WEBINAR 1**

**10.06.2025**

*13h00-14h30 (Paris) or 11h00-12h30 (Dakar)*

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#### **INTERPRETATION**

Webinar 1 - English/French/Wolof

#### **Moderator**

**Bhaskar Mishra** - UNICEF

#### **Speakers**

**Suzanne Aho** - CRC Committee member

**Oumou Dione** - ATD Fourth World Activist

**Aaïcha Ba & Ibrahima Messi** Tabori Children's Network

**Yehualashet Mekonen** - ACPF

**Aliou Ousmane Sall** - National Civil Registry Agency, Senegal

**Edourad Séné** - Mayor of Ndondol, Senegal

