

High-level meeting

Abducted Ukrainian Children: A Call for Collective Action

Participants



Mr Nathaniel Raymond

Nathaniel A. Raymond is Executive Director of the Humanitarian Research Lab and Lecturer at the Yale School of Public Health. His work focuses on the health effects of forced displacement, humanitarian response, and the use of technology in human rights investigations. He previously founded and directed the Signal Program on Human Security and Technology at Harvard University and led the Satellite Sentinel Project, which used satellite imagery to document attacks in Sudan. Since 2022, he has worked to help locate abducted children in Ukraine. Mr Raymond has served with Oxfam in crisis zones and advised UN agencies, NGOs, and military programmes on humanitarian and human rights issues. His research has been featured in leading journals, including *Nature* and *The Lancet*.



Ms Thórdís Kolbrún Reykfjörð Gylfadóttir

Thórdís Gylfadóttir has been the Special Envoy of the Council of Europe Secretary General on the situation of children of Ukraine since February 2025. She is a lawyer, taught Constitutional and Administrative Law at Reykjavík University from 2013 to 2015 and has been a member of parliament since 2016. Ms Gylfadóttir was the Vice Chairman of the Independence Party from 2018 to 2025. She was a Minister in Iceland for eight years from 2017 to 2024. Most recently, she served as Minister for Foreign Affairs until 2024. Before this, she was Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs (2023–2024), Minister for Foreign Affairs (2021–2023), Minister of Tourism, Industry and Innovation (2017–2021) and Minister of Justice (2019).



Ms Olena Khomenko

Olena Khomenko has been a Member of the Parliament of Ukraine since 2019. She serves on the Committee on National Security, Defence and Intelligence, where she chairs the Subcommittee on Defence Procurement, overseeing reforms to align Ukraine's defence procurement system with NATO standards. As part of her external affairs activities, she has been a Member of the Permanent Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) since January 2020. Ms Khomenko also held the position of Vice-President of PACE in January 2023–January 2025. As part of her advocacy activities aimed at returning deported Ukrainian children and protecting the rights of all Ukrainian children affected by Russia's war against Ukraine, she chairs the PACE Parliamentary Network on the situation of the children of Ukraine.



Ms Carina Ödebrink

Carina Ödebrink has been a Social Democratic Member of the Swedish Parliament since 2018 and has chaired the Social Democratic Party in Jönköping County from 2013 to 2023. In Parliament, she serves on the Committees on Justice and Transport and Communications. Ms Ödebrink has been a member of the OSCE PA since 2018, participating in 12 election observation missions. In October 2025, Ms Ödebrink was appointed Special Envoy on Russian abductions and deportations of Ukrainian children, following her work as Special Rapporteur for the OSCE PA Parliamentary Support Team for Ukraine and Rapporteur for the Assembly's Third General Committee since 2024. She authored a report on the issue, advocating international cooperation through initiatives such as the International Coalition for the Return of the Ukrainian children and President Zelensky's "Bring Kids Back UA."



Dr Mark Klamberg (moderator)

Dr. Mark Klamberg is a Professor and Head of the Public International Law Department at Stockholm University, as well as Deputy Director of the Stockholm Centre for International Law and Justice. He holds degrees from Stockholm University, the Raoul Wallenberg Institute, Lund University and did his postdoc at the University of Oxford. His expertise spans international criminal law, human rights, and international relations. Dr. Klamberg advises Ukraine's National Academy of Judges on war crimes trials and expert for the OSCE's human rights mechanisms. He has contributed expert testimony in court, assisted in ICC proceedings, and participated in government inquiries. As Editor-in-Chief of the Commentary on the Law of the International Criminal Court and author of several influential publications, he is widely recognized for his scholarship. Frequently cited by international media such as *The New York Times*, *BBC*, and *Reuters*.