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PROGRAMME

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

Sharenting and Children's Rights in European and East African Perspectives

Organised within the **GUARDIAN** *project*
"Growing online – how to protect our children in the digital world?"

20–21 November 2026

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ORGANISATIONAL INFORMATION

Date of the Conference	**20–21 November 2026**
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Time of presentation	**20 minutes**
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Conference venue	**Hybrid conference in Szczecin (Poland)** Institute of Pedagogy, University of Szczecin – on site and online Pwani University, Kilifi (Kenya), co-organiser – joins online All other participants join online
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Link to the online meeting

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PROGRAMME

Day 1 — Friday, 20 November 2026

09:00–13:25 CET · 11:00–15:25 EAT

09:00–09:20 CET
11:00–11:20 EAT

Opening

- **Anna Brosch**, PhD, University of Silesia in Katowice, GUARDIAN Project Coordinator
- **Stephen Joshua Muoki**, Prof., Pwani University, Conference Coordinator
- **Elżbieta Perzycka-Borowska**, Assoc. Prof., University of Szczecin, Conference Coordinator

09:20–10:55 CET
11:20–12:55 EAT

SESSION I: Sharenting Across Disciplines and Cultures

Senior researchers' session

Moderators:

- **Anna Brosch**, PhD, University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland
- **Leszek Kulaszewicz**, M.A., Polish University Abroad in London, United Kingdom

Speakers:

- **Jarek Janio**, Prof., Santa Ana College, USA
  Sharenting Exists: Five Questions for Living With Children's Digital Traces
- **Wojciech Walat**, Assoc. Prof., University of Rzeszów, Poland; **Tomasz Warzocha**, PhD, University of Rzeszów, Poland; **Waldemar Lib**, PhD, University of Rzeszów, Poland
  The Role of a "Good School" in Developing Digital Competencies: Preparing Children to Manage Their Digital Identity and Footprint
- **Agnieszka Szajner**, PhD, Polish University Abroad in London, United Kingdom; **Elizabeth Jumwa Munyaya**, PhD, Pwani University, Kenya; **Anna Brosch**, PhD, University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland; **Dominika Provázková Stolinská**, Assoc. Prof., Palacký University Olomouc, Czechia
  The Child as a Security Asset: Sharenting, Hybrid Threats and the Gaps in UK National Security Policy
- **Elżbieta Perzycka-Borowska**, Assoc. Prof., University of Szczecin, Poland; **Marta Gliniecka**, PhD, Koszalin University of Technology, Poland; **Anna Watoła**, PhD, University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland
  Murals as a Mirror of Sharenting

Discussion

10:55–11:05 CET
12:55–13:05 EAT

Break

11:05–13:25 CET
13:05–15:25 EAT

SESSION II: Children's Rights and the Child's Digital Identity

Moderators:

- **Stephen Joshua Muoki**, Prof., Pwani University, Kenya
- **Sabina Paleczna**, M.A., University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland

Part 1 – Children's Rights in National and International Law

Speakers:

- **Ezekiel Some**, M.A., Pwani University, Kenya
  Protecting Children's Rights in the Digital Environment: Privacy, Image Rights, Digital Identity and Consent in International, European and Kenyan Law
- **Viktor Savinok**, M.A., Maria Curie-Skłodowska University in Lublin / University of Szczecin, Poland
  Sharenting and the Child's Constitutional Right to Privacy in Ukraine

Commentary and discussion

Part 2 – Digital Identity and the Child's Own Story

Speakers:

- **Elizabeth Jumwa Munyaya**, PhD, Pwani University, Kenya
  "Posted Without My Permission": Children's Voices, Digital Identity and the Right to Be Heard in Sharenting Practices in Coastal Kenya
- **Leszek Kulaszewicz**, M.A., Polish University Abroad in London, United Kingdom
  The Child's Do-It-Yourself Biography: Datafication, Risk and Narrative Identity in Sharenting
- **Hafiz Sohail Ashiq**, M.Phil., Independent researcher, Pakistan
  Can less pupil information support useful AI feedback on mathematics?

Commentary and discussion

13:25 CET
15:25 EAT

End of the Conference Day 1

Day 2 — Saturday, 21 November 2026

09:00–15:00 CET · 11:00–17:00 EAT

09:00–10:15 CET
11:00–12:15 EAT

SESSION I: Digital Learning, Child Well-being and Faith Communities

Senior researchers' session

Moderators:

- **Aleksander Cywiński**, PhD, University of Szczecin, Poland
- **Aneta Witosz**, M.A., University of Szczecin, Poland

Speakers:

- **video presentation**
  Eunika Baron-Polańczyk, Assoc. Prof., University of Zielona Góra, Poland; **Jacek Jędryczkowski**, PhD, University of Zielona Góra, Poland
  Project "Short and to the point" – research report
- **Ochanda Margret Morangi**, M.A., Pwani University, Kenya; **Stephen Joshua Muoki**, Prof., Pwani University, Kenya
  Sharenting among Churches in Kenya: Privacy and Child Protection in Online Church Spaces
- **Özge Canoğulları**, Assoc. Prof., Artvin Çoruh University, Türkiye
  Digital Footprints and Child Well-being: Psychological Reflections of Early Exposure and Sharenting
- **Aleksander Cywiński**, PhD, University of Szczecin, Poland
  Legal Protection of the Child in the Digital Environment from an International Perspective

Discussion

10:15–10:25 CET
12:15–12:25 EAT

Break

10:25–12:00 CET
12:25–14:00 EAT

SESSION II: Parenthood, Presence and the Child's Voice

Moderators:

- **Anita Karyń**, PhD, University of Szczecin, Poland
- **Oliwia Bator**, M.A., University of Szczecin, Poland

Speakers:

- **Dorcas Chebet Juma**, PhD, Stellenbosch University, South Africa / Pwani University, Kenya
  "Behold the Child I Bore": An Afro-Feminist-Cultural Hermeneutical Reading of 1 Kings 3:16–28 in the Age of Sharenting and Children's Digital Rights

- **Cecilia Zsögön**, PhD, The Maria Grzegorzewska University, Poland; **Monika Czyżewska**, PhD, The Maria Grzegorzewska University, Poland
  "Present but absent" – school professionals' perspectives on parental absence, emotional neglect and digital media in Warsaw primary schools
- **Anna Watoła**, PhD, University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland; **Klaudia Wolska**, M.A., University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland; **Sabina Paleczna**, M.A., University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland
  My Childhood, whose story? Creating conditions for children's participation in parental sharenting practices
- **Sadaf Kanwal**, M.S., Young Muslim Inclusive Education System & 7 Senses, Wah Cantt, Pakistan
  Digital Privacy of Children with Complex Communication Needs in the Age of Sharenting
- **Grażyna Erenc-Grygoruk**, PhD, West Pomeranian Business School – University of Applied Sciences in Szczecin, Poland
  When Parents Share a Young Child's Disability Online, Whose Story Is Being Told?

Commentary and discussion

12:00–12:10 CET
14:00–14:10 EAT

Break

12:10–14:50 CET
14:10–16:50 EAT

SESSION III: Family, Platforms and the Image of the Child

Moderators:

- **Agnieszka Szajner**, PhD, Polish University Abroad in London, United Kingdom
- **Joanna Szumiło-Jackowska**, M.A., University of Szczecin, Poland

Part 1 – Family, Community and Monetised Childhood

Speakers:

- **Aneta Witosz**, M.A., University of Szczecin, Poland; **Oliwia Bator**, M.A., University of Szczecin, Poland
  Family as a Brand: The Case of Polish Influencers
- **Andreea Voina**, PhD, Babeș-Bolyai University, Romania; **Crina-Maria Bulz**, M.A. student, Babeș-Bolyai University, Romania
  The Representation of Minors in Parental Content on TikTok: An Analysis of Exposure, Authenticity, and Sponsorship Disclosure
- **Marcin Flis**, PhD, "Granie jest Easy" Association, Poland
  The 2026 PEGI Reform: A Case Study on Regulating Predatory Game Mechanics

Commentary and discussion

Part 2 – Platforms, Regulation and the Image of the Child

Speakers:

- **Edyta Kowalczyk-Łuc**, M.A., University of Szczecin, Poland; **Joanna Szumiło-Jackowska**, M.A., University of Szczecin, Poland
  Sharenting on Instagram and the Adultification of Children's Image: Visual Strategies of Presenting Childhood
- **Anita Karyń**, PhD, University of Szczecin, Poland
  How Parents Protect Their Children's Image Online
- **Marcella Riwo Abudho**, M.A., University of Szczecin, Poland
  Metrics in Commercial Sharenting: Protection Measures for Momagers and Kidfluencers
- **Włodzimierz Olszewski**, PhD, Prof., Jan Wyżykowski University in Polkowice, Poland
  Sharenting and the Freedom to Post in a Community Where Everyone Knows the Child

Commentary and discussion

14:50–15:00 CET
16:50–17:00 EAT

Closing of the Conference

- **Stephen Joshua Muoki**, Prof., Pwani University, Conference Coordinator
- **Elżbieta Perzycka-Borowska**, Assoc. Prof., University of Szczecin, Conference Coordinator

15:00 CET
17:00 EAT

End of the Conference

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Participants who join the conference without a paper. Each session ends with a discussion, and all participants are invited to take the floor.

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