# Webinar Launch

# CHILDREN'S RIGHT TO IDENTITY, SELFHOOD & INTERNATIONAL FAMILY LAW

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#### WHO

All professionals and practitioners in family and human rights law. The book's focus on practical methodologies makes it an essential read for lawyers, judges, mediators, social workers, counsellors, NGOs, child/ family support organisations, and family members whose children experience identity-impacting changes to their lives.

## WHAT

This pioneering book highlights life events and transformations that children and young people often experience in the field of international family law and related areas which may impact on their identity, and considers the legal protections available to them. Adopting an interdisciplinary approach in both domestic and cross-border contexts, the book analyses the psychological and sociocultural factors that contribute to identity formation and discusses how this can sometimes be damaged or disrupted by significant life experiences. A range of improvements in line with Article 8 of the UNCRC are suggested to help ensure that children's, often overlooked, right to identity is more frequently taken into account in the international family justice field, ultimately improving the decisions being made about those children and young people experiencing life events and transitions triggered by conflict, discrimination and oppression, or emanating from more positive foundations.

#### **SPEAKERS**

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