The childhood of Ba’Aka children and their rights to education

Dr Markowska-Manista will present the socio-cultural situation of children from the Ba’Aka indigenous community, a hunter-gatherer group inhabiting the Sangha-Mbaéré region of the rainforest in the Central African Republic. She will draw on her field research (also participatory methods) to discuss the education of Ba’Aka children which, as “the key do development”, should be provided to all children in the world (CRC). Their educational situation places them at the crossroads of traditional indigenous and modern life in CAR, failing to serve either as the proverbial “fish” or the metaphorical “carrot”. She will outline the situation of children (part of the collective community) who are unheard in the minority and majority of the Global World and invisible in the crush of global problems. Her approach to the subject is influenced by the work of Janusz Korczak, in particular, the child’s right to respect, and the child’s right to be heard and seen, which he strongly postulated and postcolonial childhood studies.

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