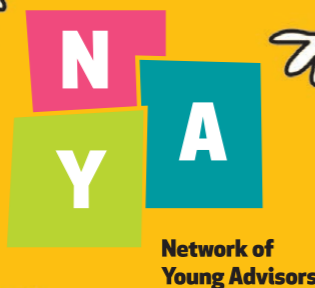


Strengthening the voice of children in society

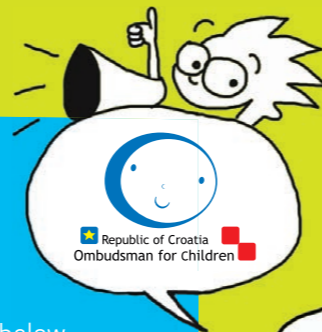


The Ombudsman for Children listens to children and respects their views. The Network of Young Advisors – NYA, consisting of children aged 12 to 18 from the whole of Croatia, advises the Ombudsman, points to children's problems and proposes potential solutions.

The Ombudsman proposes measures to improve the position of children and increase their influence in society, meets children and advises them on the method for the realisation and protection of their rights, cooperates with children, encourages them to express their views on all matters important to them and urges adults to respect children's views.

Contact the Ombudsman for Children:

if you think that your rights or the rights of a child you know have been violated or denied;
if you notice any injustice done to children in society;
if you want to propose a solution to a problem of children and young people;
if you have an idea about how to improve the position of children in your school, home, neighbourhood, city or country.



Send an e-mail to
mojglas@dijete.hr

or write to us at the address below

**Ured pravobraniteljice za djecu
Teslina 10
10000 Zagreb**

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RIJEKA – Trpimirova 3
SPLIT – Braće Kaliterna 10



Ombudsman for Children – Protector of children's rights

Children's rights are enshrined in the Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Convention was adopted by the United Nations in 1989 and has since then been implemented by almost all countries in the world.



The Convention protects children's rights to life, development, health, social welfare, education, protection from all forms of violence and exploitation, rest, play and leisure time as well as many other rights.

The Republic of Croatia adopted the Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1991, thus making a commitment to respect and protect children's rights. In order to do that in the best possible way, Croatia in 2003 established the institution of the Ombudsman for Children.

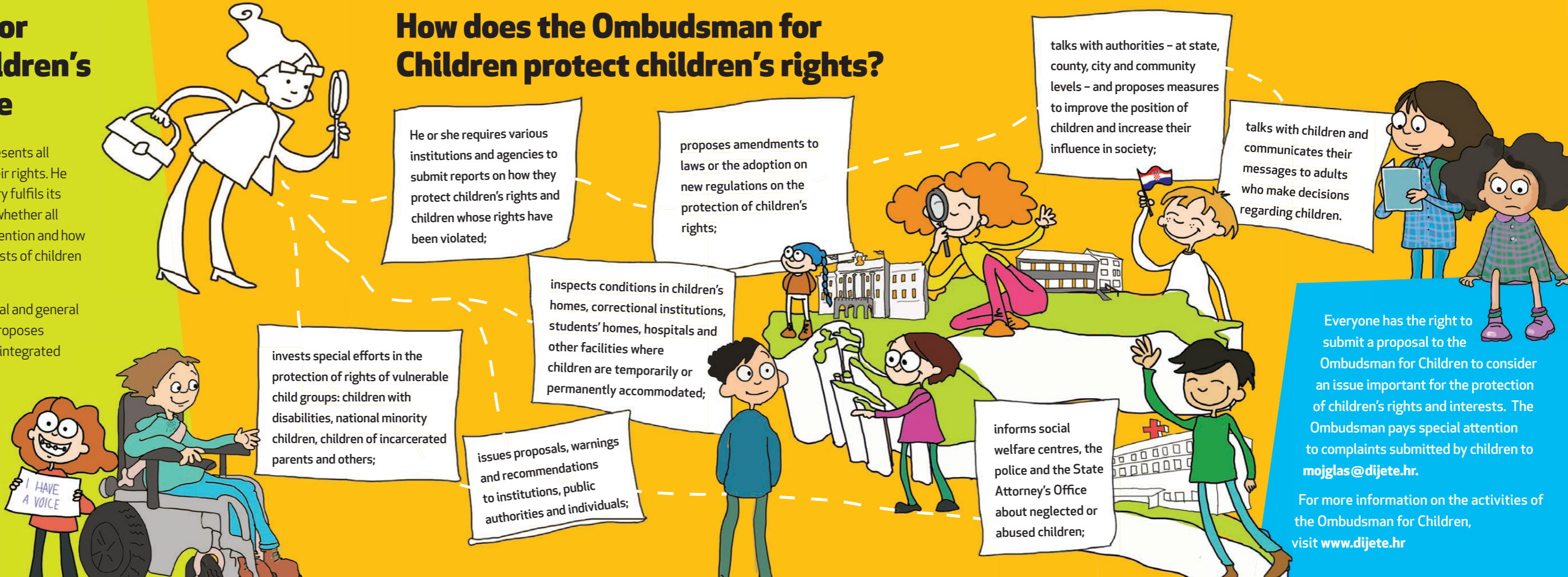


Ombudsman for Children – Children’s representative

The Ombudsman for Children represents all children in Croatia and protects their rights. He or she monitors whether our country fulfils its obligations under the Convention, whether all laws are harmonised with the Convention and how regulations on the rights and interests of children are implemented.

The Ombudsman monitors individual and general violations of children’s rights and proposes measures and programmes for the integrated protection of children’s rights and interests and for the prevention of harmful effects on children.

The Ombudsman submits annual work reports to the Croatian Parliament and informs the public on the state of children’s rights.



Everyone has the right to submit a proposal to the Ombudsman for Children to consider an issue important for the protection of children's rights and interests. The Ombudsman pays special attention to complaints submitted by children to mojglas@dijete.hr.

For more information on the activities of the Ombudsman for Children, visit www.dijete.hr