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The temporality of childhood in transitional justice processes aimed at addressing the legacy of past coercive child policies in Switzerland and England



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This thesis examines reparation processes for historical violations of children's rights in Switzerland and England from a transitional justice perspective, with a particular focus on children's rights. It explores how public inquiries, historical commissions, apologies, and memorialisations have been employed to address and redress past abuses within democratic contexts. By investigating the temporal representations of childhood mobilised in victims' claims and reparation discourses, the thesis explores how these transitional processes have brought little-known childhood stories to light and contributed to shaping contemporary conceptualisations of childhood.

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