

# Public consultation: reviewing the European disability strategy 2010-2020

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## Introduction

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The European disability strategy 2010-2020 (hereafter the **disability strategy**) is the EU's main policy document in the field of disability. It sets out objectives and actions for implementing disability policy at EU level. The disability strategy aims to promote a barrier-free Europe and is the tool used for implementing the United Nations' Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) at EU level.



As the disability strategy will end in 2020, the European Commission is evaluating its implementation. This public consultation aims to collect evidence and views from the broadest possible range of stakeholders in order to assess the strategy's relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, coherence, and EU added value. You are not required to have any previous knowledge of the disability strategy to participate in this consultation.

## Standard version and easy-to-read version

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The survey has been drafted in the following way to ensure that the widest possible range of stakeholders can understand it and participate. To ensure that persons with intellectual disabilities can participate in the survey, an easy-to-read version is available. Please indicate if you prefer to use the standard version of the survey, or the easy-to-read version. Once that you have chosen your preferred version we recommend that you keep it throughout the whole survey.

- \* 1 Preferred version
  - standard version**
  - easy-to-read version**

## Privacy settings and data protection

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### \* 2 Publication privacy settings

The Commission will publish the responses to this public consultation. You can choose whether you would like your details to be made public or to remain anonymous.

- Anonymous**  
Only your type of respondent, country of origin and contribution will be published. All other personal details (name, organisation name and size, transparency register number) will not be published.
- Public**  
Your personal details (name, organisation name and size, transparency register number, country of origin) will be published with your contribution.

- 3 I agree with the [personal data protection provisions](#)

## About you

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### \* 4 Language of my contribution

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- Croatian
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- Danish
- Dutch
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- Estonian
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- Gaelic
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- Latvian
- Lithuanian
- Maltese
- Polish
- Portuguese
- Romanian
- Slovak
- Slovenian
- Spanish

Swedish

\* 5 I am giving my contribution as

- Academic/research institution
- Business association
- Company/business organisation
- Consumer organisation
- EU citizen
- Environmental organisation
- Non-EU citizen
- Non-governmental organisation (NGO)
- Public authority
- Trade union
- Other

\* 6 First name

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\* 8 Email (this won't be published)

\* 9 Country of origin

Please add your country of origin, or that of your organisation.

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\* 10 Scope

- International
- Local
- National
- Regional

\* 11 Organisation name

*255 character(s) maximum*

\* 12 Organisation size

- Micro (1 to 9 employees)
- Small (10 to 49 employees)
- Medium (50 to 249 employees)
- Large (250 or more)

13 Transparency register number

*255 character(s) maximum*

Check if your organisation is on the [transparency register](#). It's a voluntary database for organisations seeking to influence EU decision-making.

\* 14 My age

- under 18
- 18-30
- 31-49
- 50-65
- over 65
- I prefer not to say

\* 15 In relation to disability, the following expression describes me best

- I consider myself a person with disabilities
- I have a **recognised** disability or impairment
- I'm responsible for caring for a person with disabilities
- I do not consider myself a person with disabilities
- I prefer not to say

\* 16 In relation to employment status, the following expression describes me best

- I work in the private sector
- I work in the public sector
- I do paid work in a civil society organisation (including disability organisations)
- I do unpaid work (e.g. volunteering)
- I'm a student
- I'm retired
- I'm unemployed
- other
- I prefer not to say

**Your view on the current situation for persons with disabilities**

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17 What is your level of knowledge on these EU initiatives?

	Good knowledge	Some knowledge	No knowledge
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* European disability strategy 2010-2020	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European card for persons with disabilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European parking card for persons with disabilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European day of persons with disabilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European Directive on equal treatment in employment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European awareness-raising campaign on discrimination at work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European passenger rights regulations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European Access City Award	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European Accessibility Act	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Web-accessibility Directive	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European standard on accessibility following a design-for-all approach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European standard on accessibility requirements for ICT products and services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

18 Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
* Persons with disabilities can access buildings, public services, goods and technologies like other citizens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Persons with disabilities can participate in everyday activities like other citizens and are included in the community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Persons with disabilities can put their rights into practice like other citizens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Persons with disabilities have the same work opportunities as other citizens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

* Persons with disabilities have the same education opportunities as other citizens	<input type="radio"/>					
* Persons with disabilities enjoy similar standards of living and a level of social protection as those of other citizens	<input type="radio"/>					
* Persons with disabilities have access to adequate and affordable health-care services	<input type="radio"/>					
* Persons with disabilities living in neighbouring countries of the EU enjoy rights and standards of living similar to those of their fellow citizens	<input type="radio"/>					

\* 19 In which of the following areas do persons with disabilities face the **most** difficulties at **EU level**?

*at most 5 choice(s)*

- access to buildings and transport
- access to technology, goods and services
- living independently
- inclusion in the community
- equality and non-discrimination
- recognition of legal capacity
- work and employment
- education
- standards of living and social protection
- support for family members
- healthcare services
- recognition of rights outside of the EU
- awareness among the public and the authorities
- other

20 If you selected "other", please specify

*50 character(s) maximum*

Progress made on the situation for persons with disabilities

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21 Overall, has the situation for persons with disabilities improved over the last 10 years?

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
* in your Member State	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* throughout the European Union	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* worldwide	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

\* 22 In which of the following areas has the situation for persons with disabilities improved in the last 10 years at **EU level**?

*at most 5 choice(s)*

- access to buildings and transport
- access to technology, goods and services
- living independently
- inclusion in the community
- equality and non-discrimination
- recognition of legal capacity
- work and employment
- education
- standards of living and social protection
- support for family members
- healthcare services
- recognition of rights outside of the EU
- awareness among the public and the authorities
- other
- not applicable because no improvement has been achieved

23 If you selected "other", please specify

*50 character(s) maximum*

## Your view on the impact of EU initiatives

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Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

24 Overall, EU initiatives have helped to improve the situation for persons with disabilities in the last 10 years

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
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in your Member State	<input type="radio"/>					
* throughout the European Union	<input type="radio"/>					
* worldwide	<input type="radio"/>					

25 The EU has helped to improve the situation for persons with disabilities in the last 10 years through the following activities

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
* legislative activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* policy action and promoting reforms in EU countries	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* EU funding	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* sharing knowledge and best practices with EU countries, partners and stakeholders	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* raising awareness about disability issues among EU citizens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Your view on the impact of the disability strategy

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The disability strategy sets out objectives and actions to improve the situation for persons with disabilities. To better achieve its objectives, the disability strategy identifies 8 specific **areas of action**:

**Accessibility:** ensuring that products, services and buildings are more accessible to persons with disabilities

**Participation:** improving the participation of persons with disabilities in public and political life

**Equality:** fighting discrimination based on disability and promoting equal treatment

**Employment:** enabling persons with disabilities to actively participate in the labour market

**Education and training:** promoting inclusive education and lifelong learning for pupils and students with disabilities

**Social protection:** promoting decent living conditions for persons with disabilities

**Health:** promoting equal access to health services and to health facilities for persons with disabilities

**External action:** promoting the rights of persons with disabilities also outside of the EU

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

26 Overall, the **disability strategy** has helped to improve the situation for persons with disabilities

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
* in your Member State	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* throughout the European Union	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* worldwide	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

27 The **disability strategy** helped to improve the situation for persons with disabilities for each **area of action**

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
* accessibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* participation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* employment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* education and training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* social protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* health	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* external action	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

28 The national priority measures of your Member State are in line with the 8 areas of action of the **disability strategy**

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
* accessibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* participation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* employment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* education and training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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social protection	<input type="radio"/>					
* health	<input type="radio"/>					
* external action	<input type="radio"/>					

29 The resources allocated to the 8 areas of action were adequate in relation to the **disability strategy's** objectives

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
* accessibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* participation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* employment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* education and training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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* health	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* external action	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

\* 30 Which factors mostly helped the **disability strategy** to make progress since 2010?

*at most 5 choice(s)*

- political and legal impact of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)
- EU legislative activities
- EU policy action (including the promotion of reforms in the Member States)
- EU funding
- public initiatives at national level
- public initiatives at local level
- private initiatives
- advocacy by interest groups and non-governmental organisations (NGOs)
- business lobbying
- economic context
- public opinion/changes in mentality
- new scientific discoveries and/or technological change
- awareness raising activities
- other
- not applicable because no progress was made

31 If you selected "other", please specify

50 character(s) maximum

\* 32 Which factors were the main obstacle to fulfilling the **disability strategy's** objectives at **EU level**?

*at most 5 choice(s)*

- limited political will
- limited understanding by policy makers of disability-related issues
- limited links with other EU policy areas
- limited EU powers in the area of disability
- limited awareness by the public
- limited human and financial resources
- stigma associated with disability
- inadequate legislation
- insufficient involvement of persons with disabilities in decision-making processes
- economic context
- other

33 If you selected "other", please specify

*50 character(s) maximum*

\* 34 Which factors were the main obstacle to fulfilling the **disability strategy's** objectives at **Member State level**?

*at most 5 choice(s)*

- limited political will
- limited understanding by policy makers of disability-related issues
- limited links with other EU policy areas
- limited EU powers in the area of disability
- limited awareness by public opinion
- limited human and financial resources
- stigma associated with disability
- inadequate legislation
- insufficient involvement of persons with disabilities in decision-making processes
- economic context
- other

35 If you selected "other", please specify

*50 character(s) maximum*

36 Are the 8 areas of action of the **disability strategy** still relevant for the future?

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	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know
* accessibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* participation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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* education and training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* social protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* health	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* external action	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Easy-to-read version

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The European Union (EU) does many things to help persons with disabilities to have a better life.

The European disability strategy 2010-2020 (hereafter the **disability strategy**) is a document that describes what the European Union does for persons with disabilities.

By replying to the questions below you will give your opinion on the situation for persons with disabilities, on the things that the European Union does for persons with disabilities and on the disability strategy.

### 37 How easy is it for persons with disabilities to do the following activities?

	Easy	Normal	Difficult	I don't know
* accessing public buildings like stations, theatres or sport centres. Boarding public transport like trains, buses or the metro	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* going to concerts, sport events, museums. Being able to vote	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* being treated with respect	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* finding a job	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* going to school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* earning money and being able to buy what they want	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* having good doctors and hospitals when they need them	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

\* 38 Do persons with disabilities have a better life now than they had 10 years ago?

- yes
- no

I don't know

\* 39 Which activities have become easier for persons with disabilities over the last 10 years?

*at most 5 choice(s)*

- accessing public buildings like stations, theatres or sport centres
- boarding public transport like trains, buses or the metro
- using the internet
- going to concerts, sport events and museums
- being able to vote during political elections
- being treated with respect
- finding a job
- going to school
- earning money and being able to buy what they want
- having good doctors and hospitals when they need them
- not applicable, because none of these activities have become easier over the last 10 years

\* 40 Do you think that the European Union has helped persons with disabilities to have a better life now than they had 10 years ago?

- yes
- no
- I don't know

41 Do you know about the things the European Union has done for persons with disabilities?

	I know what it is	I have heard about it, but I don't know what it is	I have never heard about it
European disability strategy 2010-2020 (is a document that describes what the EU does for persons with disabilities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European disability card (is a card that facilitates access to culture, sport and transport services across the EU for persons with disabilities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European parking card for persons with disabilities (is a card that makes it easier for persons with disabilities to park their car when they travel to other EU countries)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European day of persons with disabilities (is an important event organised by the EU where many people talk and discuss about disability)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European Directive on equal treatment in employment (is a EU law that combats discrimination at work)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

European awareness raising campaign on discrimination at work (is a EU initiative to inform people of their rights at work)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European passenger's rights regulations (are EU laws that protect the rights of people when they travel by bus, boat, train, or airplane)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European Access City Award (is a EU award for cities who do good things for persons with disabilities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European Accessibility Act (is a EU law that obliges companies to make their products and services more accessible to persons with disabilities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Web-accessibility Directive (is a EU law that obliges public authorities to make their websites more accessible to persons with disabilities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European standards on accessibility following a design-for-all approach (is a EU document that explains how to make products and services more accessible to persons with disabilities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
European standards on accessibility requirements for ICT products and services (is a EU document that explains how to make computers, smart phones and high-technology products more accessible to persons with disabilities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

\* 42 Do you think that the **disability strategy** helped persons with disabilities to have a better life now than they had 10 years ago?

- yes
- no
- I don't know

43 How much did the **disability strategy** help persons with disabilities in these areas?

	The disability strategy helped a lot	The disability strategy helped to some extent	The disability strategy did not make any difference	I don't know
* accessibility of buildings and places	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* participation of persons with disabilities in public and political life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* employment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

* education and training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
social protection, welfare benefits and services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* access to good health care	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* activities that the EU is doing in countries that are not in the EU	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

#### 44 How important are the areas of the **disability strategy**?

	Very important	Important	Neutral	I don't know
* accessibility of buildings and places	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* participation of persons with disabilities in public and political life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* employment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* education and training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* social protection, welfare benefits and services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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* activities that the EU is doing in countries that are not in the EU	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

#### \* 45 In your opinion, which topics are especially important and should be considered for the future?

*at most 10 choice(s)*

- accessibility of buildings and public services
- accessibility of internet, communications and ICT
- accessibility in tourism
- ageing and disability
- assistive technologies and research
- awareness-raising and media
- children with disabilities and their families
- equal recognition before the law and legal capacity
- equality and non-discrimination
- EU funding
- financing of the monitoring mechanism
- freedom of movement
- habilitation and rehabilitation
- health
- housing

- inclusive education and training
- inclusive humanitarian action and international cooperation
- independent living and inclusion in the community
- mental health
- mistreatment (violence, abuse, neglect of liberty and dignity)
- monitoring and enforcement of disability legislation
- participation in political and public life
- personal mobility
- poverty
- reasonable accommodation
- refugees and migrants with disabilities
- right to liberty and security
- right to life
- cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport
- standard of living and social protection
- statistics and data collection
- sustainable development and disability
- universal design (products, environments and services)
- women and girls with disabilities
- work and employment
- young people
- other

46 If you selected "other", please specify

*50 character(s) maximum*

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47 If relevant, you can provide comments other than those covered by the previous questions

*500 character(s) maximum*

48 You may attach supporting documents for your replies to the questions above

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