



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL JUSTICE

Directorate D: Equality  
Unit D.3: Rights of persons with disabilities

Draft AGENDA for the EU Disability High Level Group  
**Tuesday 21 and Wednesday 22 October 2014**  
Conference Centre A. BORSCHETTE – Room 0B, 36 rue Froissart - B-1040 Brussels

## **21 October 2014**

### **Joint meeting with representatives of civil society (9:30 – 18:00)**

#### **9:30 – 9:40**

- 1. Welcome and presentation of the agenda**
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the DHLG meeting of 8 – 9 April 2014**

#### **9:40 – 11:00**

### **3. Statistics and data – UCCRPD obligation and a tool for better design and targeting of policies**

- **Presentation from EUROSTAT on European disability statistics: progress and challenges**

*Pascal Wolff*

- **Presentation from the Fundamental Rights Agency on the project on the right to independent living of persons with disabilities**

*Martha Stickings*

### **4. Update on the implementation of the UNCRPD recent developments:**

- **a) Update by the Commission**
  - **the EU report to the UN and information**
- **the 7th Session of the Conference of State Parties**

*Inmaculada Placencia Porrero*

#### **Coffee break (20 minutes) 11:00-11:20**

#### **11:20 – 13:00**

- **b) Debriefing of Belgium's and Denmark's examination by the CRPD Committee. List of issues and preparation for Germany's examination.**

*Greet Van Gool and Gauthier Cocle, Nanna Julie Jørgensen & Hanne Stig Andersen, Jan Hoffmann*

- **c) Presentation of the Spanish Disability Strategy Action Plan 2014-2016**

*Begona Gosalbez Raul*

- **d) Civil society shadow reporting**

- **Presentation from EDF on the UN CRPD alternative report**

*Javier Güemes*

<b>Lunch break 13.00-14.30</b>
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**14:30 – 16:00**

- **Presentation from EASPD (Social Services Europe) on availability of support, a key requirement for correct implementation of the UNCRPD**

*Luk Zelderloo*

- **Presentation from ENIL-ECCL Shadow report on the implementation of Article 19 of the UNCRPD in the EU: Preliminary findings**

*Ines Bulic*

**5. Implementation of European Disability Strategy 2010-2020:**

- **a) Development cooperation**

*Inmaculada Placencia Porrero*

**6. European Semester and its disability dimension**

- **a) Feedback on the 2014 European semester cycle, focusing on the disability perspective, and presentation of preparations for the 2015 cycle**

*Jeroen Jutte (COM, DG EMPL)*

- **b) Update from Member States on recent or planned reform measures, in particular related to CSRs on disability or with impact on disability.**

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**Coffee break (20 minutes) 16:00-16:20**

**16:20 – 18:00**

**7. Using the European Structural and Investment Funds for the rights of people with disabilities**

- **a) Overview and discussion on opportunities and challenges for 2014-2020**

*Andor Urmos (COM, DG REGIO), Marie-Anne Paraskevas (COM, DG EMPL)*

- **c) Supporting the transition from institutional to community-based care**

*Jan Jařab (OHCHR)*

**8. Presentation from the European Social Network on innovative policies and practices in the field of public disability services**

*Alfonso Montero*

**9. Any other business**

**22 October 2014 - Morning**

**Meeting with Member States' representatives (9:30 – 13:00)**

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**10. Exchange of best practises for mutual learning**

Member States representatives report on main relevant developments (to be coordinated beforehand with the DHLG secretariat).

Presentation from Sweden about the Action Support Accessibility project

*Arvid Linden*

Discussion on a process of implementation of easy language in the Member States

*In response to question from Germany: Jan Hoffmann*

**11. Miscellaneous (discussion on points left from the yesterday's meeting)**