



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Europe 2020: Social Policies  
Rights of Persons with Disabilities

**AGENDA for the EU Disability High Level Group  
Monday and Tuesday 19 October 2015  
Committee of the Regions**

**Joint meeting with representatives of civil society 19 October 2015**

**Place: room JDE 70, 101, rue Belliard - B-1040 Brussels**

**9:30 – 9:40**

- 1. Welcome by head of unit Maria Luisa Cabral (DG Employment, Unit D4)**
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the DHLG meeting of 28 April 2015**

**9:40 – 10:25**

**3. Update on the implementation of the UNCRPD recent developments:**

- **Debriefing of the CRPD dialogue: EU (15 min)**  
*Maria Luisa Cabral*
- **Discussion (15 min)**

**4. State of play of ratification of the UNCRPD (15 min.)**

- *Short presentation from FI, IE, NL on the state of play*

**10:25 – 11:25**

**5. Shared implementation of the UNCRPD – discussion on better cooperation between the EU and national levels**

As highlighted by the dialogue of the UNCRPD Committee with the EU, the implementation of the Convention is a shared responsibility of the EU and its Member States which requires close cooperation between the two levels. In this session we aim to share information and good practices on common objectives.

- a) Examples of good practice on consultation - how Member States involve persons with disabilities in decision making (30 min)**  
*Presentations of Latvia (Aiga Lukašenoka) and Malta (Emanuel Darmanin)*
- **Discussion (30 min)**

**Coffee break (15 minutes) 11:25-11:40**

## **11:40 – 13:00**

### **b) Examples of good practice on employment – how Member States address employment of persons with disabilities in public administration (30 min)**

*Presentations of Germany (Jan Hoffman) and Austria (Andreas Reinalter)*

- **Discussion (30 min)**

### **c) The EU: (10 min)**

- **The Commission (DG Human Resources) presentation on the Diversity Strategy**

*Conrado Tromp*

- **Discussion (10 min)**

<b>Lunch break 13:00-14:30</b>
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## **14:30 – 18:00**

### **d) NGOs presentations of their Action Grants 2014 results (60 min)**

(examples of good practices, transferable actions such as capacity building for monitoring of UNCRP and European Structural and Investment Funds implementation)

*European Union of the Deaf – UNCRPD Examples of Good Practices (Mark Wheatley)*

*European Multiple Sclerosis Platform - The Value of Work, Restoring Confidence and Workability (Emma Rogan)*

*European Disability Forum - EDF support and collaboration in the national and European review by the CRPD committee (Donata Vivanti)*

*European Network on Independent Living - ENIL's work on deinstitutionalisation via the ESIF (Peter Lambreghts)*

- **Discussion (30 min)**

### **6. Information on the revision of the European Social Statistics (IESS) (15 min)**

- *Presentation from EUROSTAT (Christine Coin)*

- **Discussion (15 min)**

## **Coffee break (15 minutes) 16:30-16:45**

### **7. Parking Card – combating fraud**

**Presentation from the Commission (DG CNECT) of the project SIMON**  
<http://simon-project.eu/> (20 min)

- *Juan Pelegrin*

- **Discussion (30 min)**

### **8. Miscellaneous**