

DRAFT AGENDA

CRPD and EU Structural Funds: The way ahead for independent living

7 May 2012

Hotel Martin's Central Park
Boulevard Charlemagne 80,1000 Brussels

MORNING SESSION:

08:30-9:00	REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS
9:00-9:15	<p>Opening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jan Jařab – Regional Representative, Regional Office for Europe (OHCHR) - Richard Howitt, MEP – Vice-Chair of Disability Intergroup of European Parliament
9:15-10:45	<p>PANEL I: Legal implications of CRPD for the use of EU Structural Funds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “Before and After the CRPD”, Gábor Gombos – Member of CRPD Committee - KEYNOTE ADDRESS - Presentation of study : “Getting a Life: Living Independently and Being Included in the Community” – Professor Gerard Quinn, Director of Centre for Disability Law and Policy, National University of Ireland, Galway - Presentation of study by Open Society Mental Health Initiative: “The Right to Community Living: the EU’s Obligations under the CRPD”– Camilla Parker, independent consultant - Discussion <p>Moderator: Carsten Rasmussen (Deputy Head of Unit, DG for Regional Policy, European Commission)</p>
10:45-11:15	Coffee Break
11:15-12:30	<p>PANEL II: Lessons learned from experience with EU Structural Funds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluating the effects of Structural Funds in new Member States, Elena Iorga, Institute for Public Policies, Romania

11:15-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jan Pfeiffer, Member of the Committee on the Prevention of Torture, Council of Europe - Guidelines for Structural Funds use, Ines Bulic, European Coalition for Community Living - Discussion <p>Moderator: Hywel Ceri Jones, Co-Chairman of European Consortium of Foundations on Human Rights and Disability</p>
12:30-14:00	Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION:

14:00-15:30	<p>PANEL III : Reactions to the study by Professor Gerard Quinn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yannis Vardakastanis, President, European Disability Forum • Luk Zelderloo, Secretary General, European Association for Service Providers for Persons with Disabilities • Ioannis Dimitrakopoulos, Head of Equality and Citizen's Rights Department, Fundamental Rights Agency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General discussion, wrap-up <p>Moderator: Judith Klein, Director, Open Society Mental Health Initiative</p>
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-17:30	<p>PANEL IV: The way ahead for independent living: which concrete models?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - User perspective, Adolf Ratzka, Independent Living Institute, Sweden - Service provider perspective, Kirsi Konola, KVPS, Service Foundation for People with an Intellectual Disability, Finland - From institutions to independent living in the USA, James Conroy, President, Center for Outcome Analysis - Discussion <p>Moderator: Dima Yared, OHCHR Regional Office for Europe (tbc)</p>
17:30-18:30	<p>Final words:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Johan ten Geuzendam, Head of Unit, Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Directorate General for Justice, European Commission - Gerard Quinn, Director of Centre for Disability Law and Policy, National University of Ireland, Galway