Olivier,

Je note une série de points d'attention Peux-tu mettre ce résumé en CA BDF pour info et suite éventuelle

- ⇒ Toolkit EDF pour rendre les réunions accessibles à tous : <a href="http://www.edf-feph.org/sites/default/files/edf-guide-for-accessible-meetings.pdf">http://www.edf-feph.org/sites/default/files/edf-guide-for-accessible-meetings.pdf</a>
- ⇒ The European Standard EN 17161 "Design for All Accessibility following a Design for All approach in products, goods and services Extending the range of users" was adopted by the European standards bodies.
- ⇒ agendas 2019 et 2020:

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Merci

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# EDF's members mailing | Issue 39 | 08 October 2018

Dear Members,
Welcome to EDF's members mailing.
We have many news and events to share with you.
Happy reading!
The EDF Secretariat.

A detailed version of certain articles and events can be found in the members' area of the EDF website. Please log in to be able to read them. <u>Download the quick steps</u> how to log on members area.

Don't forget you can read the members mailing in the language of your choice. Click on the button "View this email in your browser" on the right top corner of this email and then choose the option "Translate".

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# **NEWS**

# Rail Passengers' rights: Parliament's transport Committee wants to strengthen rules for assistance at stations

It's not quite "Turn-up-and-go" everywhere yet, as EDF demanded in its campaign for Rail Passengers' Rights this summer, but we are getting closer. Following the vote in the European Parliament's Transport Committee (TRAN) on 9 October, EDF is taking stock of the changes that have been proposed to the Commission's proposal of last year:

All in all we were quite successful and managed to make some good improvements to the text. One unexpected "win" was that the TRAN Committee suggests that persons with disabilities should be allowed to travel with an accompanying person free of charge if no independent access is possible which was not part of the Commission proposal. We also managed to secure "turn-up-and-go" assistance for big stations (more than 10 000 passengers/day). EDF's proposed amendments were all taken onboard except those mentioned below.

Please click here to read more

# Our Director was selected has one of the 20 "women shaping Brussels" by POLITICO Europe

The most popular EU news media highlighted her work and our upcoming campaign for the next EU elections.

Please click here to read the profile

# How to make meetings and events accessible? Read the new EDF guide!

We have updated and completed the EDF guide on how to make events and meetings accessible for all.

This guide summarizes practical advice as well as general guidelines on how a meeting or event should be structured in order to make it enjoyable and accessible for everyone. It covers accessibility of the built environment (access to the venue, size of the meeting room, specifications for accessible toilets, lifts, etc.) as well as accessibility of presentations, speeches, and discussions.

Feel free to share this document widely especially for mainstream events, where accessibility is often lacking. You can also send this guide to organizers before an event that you would like to attend in order for them to prepare accordingly.

Commission Study, "mapping transport accessibility"

The European Commission has commissioned a study called "Mapping transport accessibility" which looks at travel information requirements for Persons with Reduced Mobility (PRM). This survey seeks to hear from disabled people, persons with reduced mobility (PRM) and those who accompany persons with disabilities and PRM when travelling, so as to better understand their travel information requirements.

EDF has agreed to circulate the survey as it feeds also into our own policy work and the result could be interesting for us. The survey will take approximately 15 minutes and it is available in English, Portuguese and Dutch. We would kindly ask to fill in the survey **until the November 12th**.

If there are any difficulties with the format or you have any enquiries please email MappingITS@panteia.nl

Please click this link to start the survey. Feel free to circulate widely.

# First European Standard on Design for All adopted!

The European Standard EN 17161 "Design for All — Accessibility following a Design for All approach in products, goods and services — Extending the range of users" was adopted by the European standards bodies. This European Standard resulting from the Commission Mandate 473, in which EDF experts were actively involved, was supported by a broad majority of national standards bodies. 16 national standards bodies approved the standard, and only one (Germany) voted against it; Sweden, UK and Austria submitted comments to the final draft.

This standard provides requirements and recommendations that enable an organization to design, develop and provide products, goods and services so that they can be accessed, understood and used by the widest range of users. It has a similar approach as other

standards used by industry and organisations to ensure quality in management.

The EN will be finetuned and prepared for publication in the coming months. It's publication is foreseen by beginning of next year. As soon as this happens, EDF Secretariat will prepare webinars and a toolkit about it. The EN may be very useful to promote a Universal Design approach that leads to more accessibility in any kind of organisation, and it can also be used by public procurers to ensure that bidders take accessibility into account by default.

For more information, contact <a href="mailto:alejandro.moledo@edf-feph.org">alejandro.moledo@edf-feph.org</a>

## **EVENTS TO COME**

# MEP Sehnalová hosts exhibition on adapted Physical Week event

MEP Olga Sehnalová (S&D), the co-president of the Disability Intergroup, the Faculty of Physical Culture, Palacký University (Czech Republic), and the APA Centre would like to cordially invite you to the opening on **Tuesday**, **20th November**, **at 17:00** of the exhibition on Adapted Physical Activities week.

Adapted Physical Activities are modified conditions for sport and an active way of spending leisure time. You will have the chance to discover sports-compensating aids, play games designed primarily for the persons with disabilities, try some Paralympic sports and enjoy the photo exhibition.

## **REMINDERS**

Invitation! HLPF 2019 Webinar Series.

Disability Data: An overview of recent global advocacy efforts

Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 10:00am – 11:00am, EST (New York time)

The objective of the webinar is to provide an **overview of current global advocacy efforts to collect disability data and promote the disaggregation of data by disability**, using the Washington Group Short Set of questions. Speakers will provide information about recent forums where disability data advocacy was undertaken and will reflect on ways forward. The webinar will also introduce a short study that summarizes the results of two surveys conducted earlier this year.

Please click here for more information

Open event of the Disability Intergroup

Making the Digital Single Market accessible for persons with disabilities

**When?**: 22 November 2018, 14.00 to 16.00 (Includes a light lunch from 13:00)

Where?: European Parliament, Brussels, Room tbc

Hosted by: MEP Jana ŽITŇANSKÁ, Vice President of the Disability Intergroup

This event is an opportunity to provide an overview on the recent legislation approved by the EU regarding ICT accessibility. Moreover, the EDF-Oracle eAccessibility Scholarship award ceremony will take place and be presented by MEP Olga SEHNALOVÁ.

Please click here for more information

# FRA questions on the right to vote for persons deprived of legal capacity

Following a request from the European Commission, the Fundamental Rights Agency will be updating its human rights indicator on the right to vote for persons deprived of legal capacity. See indicator on FRA's website.

FRA intends to publish the information – in a form to be decided – at the start of 2019, in advance of the European Parliament elections. They will aim to highlight trends over time (with specific examples), indicate ongoing challenges, and showcase some positive initiatives to promote the right to political participation of persons with disabilities.

We would be grateful if you can answer the <u>attached document</u> with three questions and send it to Marine Uldry (<u>marine.uldry@edf-feph.org</u>) **before Friday 23 November 2018**.

# **JOB OPPORTUNITES**

• The European Union of the Deaf is looking for a Policy Assistant

Deadline: 9th October

 The European Federation of National Organisations Working with the Homeless are recruiting for a new Communications and Information
 Officer

Deadline: 12th November

Inclusion Europe is looking for a Communications Trainee

Deadline: 2nd December

# **SAVE THE DATE: CALENDAR**

## 2018

### **November**

- 8 November, Brussels: <u>Half-day conference</u>: <u>Autism Training professionals to foster</u> inclusion
- 9 10 November, Moscow: <u>International Conference on disability employment "The</u> Future Belongs To Us"

- 14 November: Webinar on Disability Data: An overview of recent global advocacy efforts
- 15 November, Madrid: Inclusive Direction in Education of Adults on Article 12
- 15 16 November, Madrid: 4<sup>th</sup> International Congress of University and Disability
- 16 November, Vienna: <u>Using Artificial Intelligence to enhance accessibility</u> Opportunities and risks of emerging technologies for persons with disabilities
- 17 18 November, Vienna, Austria: EDF Board meeting/ Statistics conference
- 21 23 November, Rome: 2018 European Forum on Disaster Risk Reduction
- 22-23 November, Brussels: Expert seminar "Economics at the service of society
- 22 November, Brussels: Open event of the Disability Intergroup: Making the Digital
   Single Market accessible for persons with disabilities
- 26 November, Brussels: <u>Launch of the Community Living for Europe</u>: <u>Structural Funds</u>
   Watch report
- 29 30 November, Lisbon: Made in Social Europe, event by Social Platform
- 29 November 1 December, Berlin: <u>VISION:INCLUSION Making international youth</u> <u>work inclusive</u>

### **December**

- 3 10 December, Brussels and across Europe: European Disability and Development Week (EDDW)
- 3 4 December, Brussels: The European Day of Persons with Disabilities (EDPD)

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