



## European Disability Forum: Evaluation 2017-2019 Member Survey

### Evaluation 2017-2019

This is an important initiative for EDF to learn about its work and to further improve it over the coming years. We hope that you can contribute to this process. Niall Crowley has been commissioned by EDF to conduct the evaluation as an external evaluator. Survey responses will be treated in the strictest confidence by the evaluator. Only one survey questionnaire should be completed for each member organisation. Please complete this survey no later than 5.00pm Monday 1st July 2019.

#### \* 1. Type of membership of EDF held by your organisation

- ☐ Full member (National Council/European NGO)
- ☐ Observer member
- ☐ Ordinary member
- ☐ Associate member
- ☐ Other (please specify)

#### 2. Position of survey respondent within your organisation

### 3. How would you define your organisation's vision and hopes for EDF and its work?

Strive for "the perfect world" for persons with disabilities

### 4. To what extent is this vision being realised

- ☐ Completely
 ☐ Somewhat  
☐ Significantly
 ☐ Limited  
☐ Adequately

### 5. What are the reasons for your answer?

Heading for the ideal is a nice prospect. Nevertheless, if it remains too idealistic, it is very difficult to move the authorities to

### 6. What were the five most important policy areas that EDF has worked on over the past two years (Please choose five appropriate responses)?

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Implementation of the CRPD                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Horizon 2020                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Progressing the European Disability Strategy | <input type="checkbox"/> EU equal treatment Directive |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/> EU Cohesion Policy           |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>                              |

- ☐ European elections
- ☐ Accessibility Act
- ☐ Transport accessibility
- ☐ Digital, web, audio-visual and communication accessibility
- ☐ Standardisation
- ☐ European Semester and Europe 2020 Strategy
- ☐ European Disability Card
- ☐ Oviedo Convention
- ☐ Other (please specify)
- ☐ Post 2020 European budget
- ☐ Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- ☐ Inclusion of young people
- ☐ Gender equality
- ☐ Refugees and asylum seekers with disabilities
- ☐ EU External Cooperation

7. Are there gaps in the policy areas currently being worked on by EDF or could the balance of work between the different areas be improved?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

8. If yes, please give reasons for your answer

9. In which of the policy fields worked on were the three most important policy achievements of EDF over the past two years (Please choose three appropriate responses)?

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Implementation of the CRPD                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Horizon 2020                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Progressing the European Disability Strategy               | <input type="checkbox"/> EU equal treatment Directive                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> European elections   | <input type="checkbox"/> EU Cohesion Policy                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility Act  | <input type="checkbox"/> Post 2020 European budget                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transport accessibility                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Digital, web, audio-visual and communication accessibility | <input type="checkbox"/> Inclusion of young people                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Standardisation  | <input type="checkbox"/> Gender equality                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> European Semester and Europe 2020 Strategy                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Refugees and asylum seekers with disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> European Disability Card                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> EU External Cooperation                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oviedo Convention  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)                                     |  |

10. What were the most effective ways for achieving policy

development in these three fields  
(Please choose five appropriate  
responses)?

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engagement with individual officials in the European Commission        | <input type="checkbox"/> Adopting manifestos, recommendations, and resolutions                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperation in organising events with the European Commission          | <input type="checkbox"/> Contributing amendments or legal text revisions for policy and legislation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engagement in EC public consultations                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Publications, such as Human Rights Reports                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participation in the EU Monitoring Framework for the CRPD              | <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperation with European Disability NGOs                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participation in the EU Monitoring Framework for the CRPD              | <input type="checkbox"/> Building alliances with European NGOs beyond the disability sector         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participation on Multi-Stakeholder Platform on ICT and Standardisation | <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperation with the private sector  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Involvement in the Disability intergroup in European Parliament        | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy monitoring  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engagement with individual MEPs  | <input type="checkbox"/> Tracking policy developments at EU level                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Involving members with model letters to influence the European Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Participation in United Nations policy fora                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Involving members in promoting   | <input type="checkbox"/> Public campaigns   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Media work   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Conferences  |

implementation of  
European policy

- ☐ Member surveys
- ☐ Production of position  
papers and reports
- ☐ Other (please specify)

Working together with national councils on the

11. Could EDF improve the ways it  
works to advance its policy agenda  
or work in a different way to  
influence the policy agenda?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

12. If yes, please give reasons for  
your answer

EDF should consult it's members  
organisation more in advance on the  
thematics it works on. Organising small

13. What has been the benefit to  
your organisation over the last two  
years from being an EDF member?

Two key benefits : 1) Support in the  
UNCRPD process 2) Support on the  
European Disability Card pilot project

14. How have you been able to use these benefits in your own work over the last two years?

1) Gain a better understanding of UN methodology in order to write efficient proposal of questions and to defend it with

15. What were the three categories of EDF activity that were most helpful for your organisation in gaining these benefits (Please choose three categories)?

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="radio"/> EDF workshops and conferences                               | <input type="radio"/> Providing links for our organisation for peer support                                  |
| <input type="radio"/> Information provision                                       | <input type="radio"/> Providing links for our organisation to engage with European and national developments |
| <input type="radio"/> Publications, reports and newsletters                       | <input type="radio"/> Enabling us to make an input into policy development at EU level                       |
| <input type="radio"/> Training  | <input type="radio"/> Enabling us to make an input into policy implementation in our country                 |
| <input type="radio"/> Providing practical supports to engage with the CRPD review |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Other (please specify)                                      |  |

16. Which specific actions were most important in the three categories and why were they effective?

Providing practical supports to engage with the CRPD review as it was sharp and well documented

17. Could EDF improve the ways it works to meet the needs of your organisation or provide different supports to meet the needs of your organisation?

☐ Yes

☐ No

18. If yes, please give reasons for your answer

Improving is always possible.  
Place didactic sheets on the EDF website on the progress of the EU politics. Ideally,

19. What were the two categories of EDF activity that were most effective in building public support over the past two years (Please choose two categories)?

☐ External newsletter ☐ Publications

☐ Media releases ☐ Website

☐ ☐



Social media work

Conferences

☐ Public campaigns ☐ Events

☐ Other (please specify)

The BDF has no way of assessing the impact

20. Which specific actions were most important in the two categories and why were they effective?

21. What more could be done by EDF to build public support?

It's a wide range of means. Enlarge it more doesn't seem an option. It's always possible to improve the quality

22. What were the two categories of EDF activity that were most effective in building stakeholder engagement (Please choose two categories?)

- |   |                                   |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> External newsletter | <input type="radio"/> Website     |
| <input type="radio"/> Media releases      | <input type="radio"/> Conferences |
| <input type="radio"/> Social media work   | <input type="radio"/> Events      |
| <input type="radio"/> Public campaigns    | <input type="radio"/> Advocacy    |
| <input type="radio"/>                     | <input type="radio"/>             |

- ☐ Publications ☐ Partnership actions
- ☐ Other (please specify)

23. Which specific actions were most important in the two categories and why were they effective?

24. What more could be done by EDF to build stakeholder engagement?

25. What were the two categories of EDF activity that were most effective in enabling persons with disabilities to know and exercise their rights (Please choose two categories)?

- ☐ Internal newsletter ☐ Training
- ☐ Social media work ☐ Website
- ☐ Publications
- ☐ Other (please specify)

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26. Which specific actions were most important in the two categories and why were they effective?

27. What more could be done by EDF to enable persons with disabilities to know and exercise their rights?

The action of EDF is efficient as a lobbying structure towards EU institutions. EDF shows a high level of expertise. The

28. What were the three most important EDF areas of work on international cooperation over the last two years (Please choose three categories)?

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperating with and contributing to the global and regional disability movement | <input type="checkbox"/> Influence EU External policy                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engaging in UN policy initiatives  | <input type="checkbox"/> Building partnerships in relation to the SDGs           |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/> Promoting the role of DPOs in international cooperation |

Engaging in Council of Europe policy initiatives ☐ International projects with DPOs

☐ Disability inclusive disaster risk reduction

☐ Other (please specify)

29. What was achieved by EDF through these activities?

30. What could have been done better by EDF in advancing its international cooperation agenda?

31. What groups or committees or structures within EDF did your organisation participate in over the last two years (Please select all options that apply?)

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Executive Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Committee on Human Rights and Non-Discrimination |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board               |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Committee     | <input type="checkbox"/>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                     |   |

☐ Women's Committee

☐ Committee on Social Policy and Inclusion

☐ Email Expert Groups

☐ Annual General Assembly

☐ Other (please specify)

32. What do you think your organisation contributed to EDF and its work over the last two years?

BDF answered in each possible request from EDF in the main topics: it gave input to enquiries, position notes... BDF took an

33. Can you point to any specific actions by or processes of EDF that enabled your organisation to make this contribution to EDF's work?

Establish the exhaustive list of these would be long. Answering this external evaluation is one example

34. Did your organisation face any barriers in making a contribution to EDF's work?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

### 35. If yes, please give reasons for your answer

Time constraints were generally too tight. This is particularly big a problem for a Member State like Belgium where we have

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