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EUROPEAN DAY OF **PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

ACCESS CITY AWARD 2023

24-25 NOVEMBER 2022



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DAY 1 24 NOVEMBER 2022

08:30-09:30 Registration and welcome coffee

09:30-10:00 Opening session

Welcomed by: **Alison Crabb**, Disability and Inclusion Head of Unit, European Commission

Helena Dalli, European Commissioner for Equality

Ioannis Vardakastanis, President, European Disability Forum

Martina Štěpánková, Deputy Minister of Labour and Social Affairs, Czechia

10:00-10:45 1: Young people with disabilities

Moderator: Jakob Rosin, President, Estonian Blind Union

Tamara Byrne, EDF Youth Committee & self advocate

Panagiotis Chatzimichail, European Youth Forum, Board member

Sarah Talbi, Belgian national champion of the European Commission's communication campaign on the Disability Rights Strategy

Lucia Alonso, Previous Erasmus + beneficiary

10:45-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-12:30 Young people with disabilities (continued)

Q&A and discussion (moderated by Jakob Rosin with Catherine Naughton, Director of European Disability Forum)

12:30-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:15

2. Global instruments to protect the rights of persons with disabilities

Moderator: Inmaculada Placencia Porrero, Senior Expert in Disability and Inclusion, DG EMPL, European Commission

Katarina Ivanković-Knežević, Director for Social Rights and Inclusion, European Commission

Gerard Quinn, UN Special Rapporteur on Disability

Jorge Araya, Secretariat of the UNCRPD Committee

Marine Uldry, Senior Human Rights Officer, European Disability Forum

Patricia Ötvös, Adviser, Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights, Council of Europe and **Giuseppe Palmisano**, General Rapporteur and former President of the European Committee of Social Rights, Council of Europe

15:15-15:45

Coffee Break

15:45-17:00

Global instruments to protect the rights of persons with disabilities (continued)

Q&A and discussion

19:30

Dinner

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DAY 2 25 NOVEMBER 2022

08:30-09:00 Registration and welcome coffee

09:00-10:30 3. Violence against persons with disabilities

Moderator: Gunta Anca, Vice-President, European Disability Forum

Bianca Faragau, European Commission, DG JUST (Unit D.2 Gender equality) on gender-based violence

Claudia Mahler, Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons

Sabine Coppens, Coordinator Alles over Pesten, on bullying at school

Yevheniya Pavlova, Member of the Ukrainian National Assembly of Persons with Disabilities, on violence against persons with disabilities in Ukraine and those fleeing Ukraine

Q&A and discussion

10:30-11:00 Conclusions

John Patrick Clarke, Vice-President, European Disability Forum

Camilla Waltersson Grönvall, Minister for Social Services at the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Sweden

Alison Crabb, Disability and Inclusion Head of Unit, European Commission

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:30 Access City Award Ceremony

Master of ceremonies: Katrina Sichel

Věra Jourová, Vice President, European Commission for Values and Transparency

Helena Dalli, European Commissioner for Equality

Katarina Ivanković-Knežević, Director for Social Rights and Inclusion, European Commission

Ioannis Vardakastanis, President, European Disability Forum

Alison Crabb, Disability and Inclusion Head of Unit, European Commission

Inmaculada Placencia Porrero, Senior Expert in Disability and Inclusion, European Commission, Representative of EU Jury

Representatives of winning cities

12:30-14:00 Lunch