



Topic Short Introduction to EDF

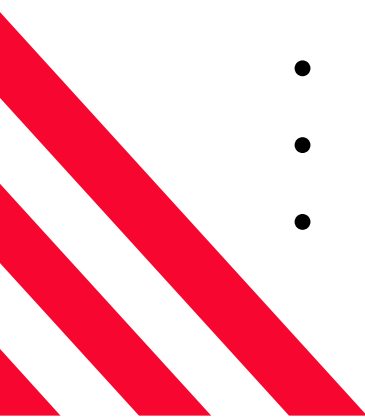
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THE EUROPEAN DISABILITY FORUM

Who we are

- 80 millions persons with disabilities
- Independent International NGO
- Umbrella organisation of persons with disabilities in Europe

Our members


- 98 Organisations
 - Full and ordinary members
 - Observer members
 - Associate members
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EDF's SECRETARIAT IN BRUSSELS


10 staff members focusing on:

- human rights
- accessibility
- new technologies & innovation
- built environment
- transport
- standardization
- employment & social services
- communications
- membership
- finance & administration

WHAT DO WE DO?

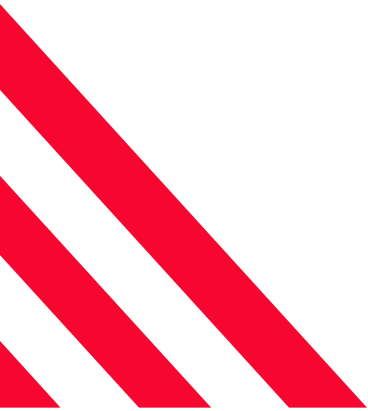
- Advocacy towards the EU, the Council of Europe, and the UN to fully implement the **UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN CRPD)** & related areas
 - Member of the EU's **Independent Monitoring Framework** for the UN CRPD
 - Involvement in **projects** which bring added value in progressing the UN CRPD in the European region
 - Secretariat of the **Disability Intergroup** of the European Parliament
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Current priorities

- European Accessibility Act- now in Council and at the European Parliament
 - Transport and Mobility
 - New Technologies- successful adoption in 2016 of the Directive on Accessibility of Public websites
 - Working on Audio visual media services and communication, Marrakesh Treaty
 - Standardization
 - EU social policies
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Human rights and CRPD

- Supporting our members in National reviews at the committee in Geneva
- Promoting and monitoring the CRPD at the EU level



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