



## ***“The inclusion of persons with disabilities in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals by the European Union”***

**7<sup>th</sup> June 2017, 18:00 – 20:00**  
**European Parliament, room A3G3**

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Hosted by MEP Olga Sehnalová & moderated by Catherine Naughton, Director of European Disability Forum

**18:00 Welcoming remarks**

Yannis Vardakastanis, President of the European Disability Forum  
MEP Olga Sehnalová, Co-President of the Disability Intergroup at the European Parliament

**18:15 Overview of the Sustainable Development Goals in Europe**

Patrizia Heidegger, Director for Global Policies and Sustainability, SDGs Watch Europe

**18:25 Speech by Member of European Parliament**

MEP Elly Schlein (DEVE), Rapporteur opinion “EU action for sustainability”

**18:35 Experience of Europe: Bridging the gap (project funded by the EC on the SDGs)**

Victoria Lee, Programme Manager, OHCHR

**18:45 Speeches by Directorates-General**

DG EMPL

DG DEVCO

Dr Marleen De Smedt, Advisor to the Director General, DG ESTAT

**19:15 Experience of Nigeria**

Ekaete Judith Umoh, Joint National Association of Persons with Disabilities of Nigeria (JONAPWD) & Executive council member of the African Disability Forum representing women with Disabilities

**19:30 Global perspective**

Orsolya Bartha, 2030 Agenda Senior Advisor, International Disability Alliance

**19:40 Discussion with MEPs and participants**

**19:55 Closing Remarks**

Catherine Naughton, Director of the European Disability Forum

The event is public. To register, please send your full name, date of birth, nationality and ID number to Lucie Dobešová ([olga.sehnalova-office@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:olga.sehnalova-office@europarl.europa.eu)) by **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017**.