

Summary of conclusions from the side event

Right2Participation - accessible online meetings at the 9th Conference of State Parties, COSP to the Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities, 15th of June 2016

Recommendations to State Parties

A theme for the 10th conference COSP10 could be the active, effective and meaningful participation of persons with disabilities as described in article 4.3. with special focus on remote participation.

It is important with a holistic approach so that all administrative levels are included - from UN to national, regional and local levels. Special attention should be paid at interactivity realized with ICT.

The target is that the next COSP will become a showcase for future reference with the final aim that all meetings should be organized to allow accessible and effective online participation.

In order to achieve the target, focus is needed on:

- Requirements for successful meetings including routines for preparation and sustainability plans should take advantage of previous successful experience and existing standards so it become a normalized practice.
- Training is required and should be mainstreamed throughout the organization.
- Robust, open source, accessible, affordable and user friendly technology to foster active multilateral and multilingual participation for all. Fast and reliable internet access in all countries. Easy to use and to read websites and applications that can be used by persons with intellectual disabilities to take control over communication tools themselves.
- New participation profiles, beyond individual interaction. Exploring the strength and empowerment of advocacy groups around the world, looking at the dynamics and impact of such nuclear power.
- Take one step at the time. Improve online accessibility and interactivity on every single occasion. Always work with users and cooperate with innovative stakeholders and providers.
- Document progress and make experiences known widely.

This will have several positive outcomes. Mainstreaming services will normalize the services and reduce the cost. At the same time, mainstreaming will allow for focus on the work agenda for any meeting, instead of managing accessible ICT. This will open up for participation plurality and for more voices to be heard.

Inspiration

Guidelines and training

[The Dynamic Coalition on Accessibility and Disability](#)

[Remote participants HUB resources \(diplo\)](#)

[How to make presentations accessible to all \(W3C\)](#)

[Access Policy suggestions \(New European Media, NEM\)](#)

[Online course on accessible media](#) (Pilot will be ready in July 2016)

Accessible media

[Case description of case Almedalen 2010](#)

[Livestream guideline \(YouTube\)](#)

[Add subtitles and closed captions \(YouTube\)](#)

[Accessible media playlist \(examples and demos\)](#)

Reports and research

[Meaningful participation for people with disabilities](#)

Special rapporteur Catalina Devandas, March 2016

[Towards a framework to understand mental and cognitive accessibility in a digital context](#)

Licentiate thesis Stefan Johansson, March 2016

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Social media report

http://www.mediaaccess.org.au/latest_news/news/social-media-for-those-with-a-disability-gets-2016-update

Media Access Australia, March 2016