

Building capacity for excellence in service provision for people with disabilities

PROGRAMME

EPR Public Affairs event

Rights and Ethics in Practice in Social Services in Europe

16th November - 14:00 – 17:30

NH Collection Brussels Centre - Boulevard Adolphe Max 7, 1000 Brussels

Context

Ensuring the promotion of the rights of service users is one of the main requirements for the quality and long-term success of social services. Likewise, guaranteeing ethical behaviour from social service actors towards service users and between service users themselves is a key pillar in the implementation of those fundamental rights.

The European Platform for Rehabilitation (EPR) has dedicated its 2017 research to explore which inspiring or innovative practices exist with regard to rights and ethics, as part of its long term commitment to building capacity and fostering the exchange of experiences in the quality of social services in Europe.

Following to a call for practices launched this summer, EPR is providing an analysis of the submissions, as well as European recommendations pertaining to a better development, implementation and assessment of inspiring practices in rights and ethics.

This analysis is the basis for this year's study, which will be presented at this Public Affairs event. The objective of the Public Affairs event is to initiate a discussion and debate on what service providers, policy makers and other interested parties can do to at their level to support the implementation of the concepts of rights and ethics in social service provision.

Programme 14:00 Registration and networking coffee 14:30 Welcome and introduction - Frits Wichers, EPR President 14:35 Introduction, conference facilitator - Kai Troll, moderator 14:40 Report on Rights and Ethics in Practice - main conclusions and recommendations, Marie Dubost, EPR Q&A 14.55 Rights in Practice: Fundación Ampans, Spain Ethics in Practice. Moral Case Deliberation, Pluryn, the Netherlands Q&A



15:40	Coffee break
15:55	Council of Europe study: "Awareness raising on the rights of persons with disabilities" , main conclusions - Katrijn Dekoninck, researcher at inproof Q&A
16:25	Interactive Panel discussion with EU level partners Developing, piloting and assessing the impact of inspiring practices Nadia Hadad, European Network for Independent living – ENIL Borja Arrue, Age Platform Europe Milan Sverepa, Inclusion Europe Sabina Lobato, Fundación ONCE Moderator: Kai Troll
	Interaction with the audience
17.10	Reflection on the next steps - Kai Troll, moderator
17.25	Closing word - Laura Jones, EPR Secretary General
17.30-18.30	Cocktail reception



This event is organised in collaboration with the European Quality in Social Services (EQUASS), a department of the EPR.

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