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Programme Webinar 28.5.2020, 10.00 – 11.30

Access to Justice of Persons with Disabilities: the way forward and practical tools

Languages: English and Spanish

Context

Persons with disabilities experience higher rates of discrimination and rights violation than persons without disabilities, moreover their disproportional presence in the mid-to-low income categories and the inaccessibility of the judicial system aggravates this situation. Given that access to justice is both a fundamental right and a precondition for other rights it is crucial to address the barriers that they face.

This webinar will bring together support legal practitioners, service providers, trainers, academics and organisations of persons with disabilities to discuss:

- to discuss the context of Art. 13 of the UN CRPD and of Art. 26 of European Charter of Fundamental Rights to support access to justice for persons with disabilities
- to exchange and analyse the main legal, bureaucratic, practical issues hindering access to justice for persons with disabilities
- to present the MOOC training addressed to legal practitioners to better support persons with disabilities in their access to justice
- to discuss the needs and the way forward to ensure more equal justice systems in Europe.



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Programme

Moderator: Sabrina Ferraina, EASPD

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10h00 – 10.10	Welcome and Introduction
	Luk Zelderloo, EASPD
	Javier Güemes, FONCE
10.10 – 10.35	Access to justice: from reality to the needs of users and professionals
	Barriers to access to justice: Lourdes Marquez de la Calleja, Fundacion ONCE
	Experiences from the grassroots level: Plena Inclusion
	Questions and answers with participants
10.35 – 11.00	Policy debate
	Wojciech Postulski, European Commission
	Sanja Jovicic, Academy of European Law
	Maria Carmen Barranco Aviles, University Carlos III Madrid
	Naomi Mabita, EDF
	Questions and answers with participants
11:00 - 11:15	Practical Tools
	MOOC training for professionals, Thomson Reuters Aranzadi
	Questions and answers with participants
11.15 – 11.30	Concluding Remarks
	Ferran Blanco Ros, Support
	Sabrina Ferraina, EASPD

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The Just4all project aims to promote access to justice for persons with disabilities by raising awareness among legal practitioners on the needs of people with disabilities and develop a training for legal practitioners on that topic. JustforAll seeks to promote the effective implementation of the European Charter of Fundamental Rights, the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and EU legislation on disability. The project is also looking at cross-cutting issues of gender and children with disabilities and consider the variety of legal domains that the justice system entails.

Organisations:

- Fundacion Once (coordinator, Spain)
- Universidad Carlos III (Spain)
- EASPD (EU)
- *EDF (EU)*
- Thomson Reuters Aranzadi (Spain)



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