

<p>Roundtable I Inclusive Education</p>
<p>Wednesday 5 October</p>
<p>11.00-13.00</p>
<p>Inclusive quality education for Persons with Disabilities Nidhi Singal</p>
<p>Nidhi Singal is a Senior Lecturer in Inclusive Education, PhD Manager, Fellow and External Director of Studies at the University of Cambridge. She has worked extensively with children and young people with disabilities in South Asia and Africa. Her research has focused on the experiences of children with disabilities attending a range of different educational arrangements, the quality of teaching and learning in these settings, and the impact of schooling on short and long term outcomes. She has worked as a consultant for a range of international organisations assisting them in developing research projects, programme evaluation and policy work. Before coming to Cambridge, Nidhi trained as a clinical psychologist (University of Delhi) and worked with children and young adults in a range of clinical and educational settings in India.</p>
<p>Sign language and braille in education in Georgia EKATERINE DGEBUADZE</p>
<p>Ekaterine Dgebuadze has worked since 2002 at the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia in various positions. In 2009-2011 She continued her studies in Norway at Oslo State University at the faculty of Special Education Philosophy. 2009-2010 She worked at the Library of Oslo State University, where assisted students with Disability to collect necessary information, prepare literature and researches. In 2012 became the coordinator of the Teacher Professional Development Center project “Georgian Language for Future Success”. Since 2013 she is the head of Inclusive Education Development Division, Department of National Curriculum at the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia.</p>
<p>Awareness on disabilities in schools in Monaco ELODIE KOUKOU</p>
<p>Diplômée en éducation spécialisée, sciences de l’éducation et psychologie, Elodie KOUKOU débute sa carrière comme travailleur social en participant à la création d’un SESSAD pour enfants et adolescents en situation de handicap dans le sud-est de la France. En 2006, elle rejoint le Gouvernement Monégasque et assure le suivi éducatif des majeurs et mineurs handicapés. Après une parenthèse de 2 ans à Madagascar au service de la Coopération Internationale où elle assure la coordination éducative de centres accueillant des enfants des rues, Mme KOUKOU réintègre la Principauté de Monaco sur un poste d’encadrement au sein de la Fonction Publique, en charge de plusieurs missions sociales dont le handicap. Dans ce cadre, elle développe différentes actions comme la création d’un dispositif d’éducation et de scolarisation individualisé (DESI) et les ateliers de sensibilisation au handicap à destination des scolaires.</p>
<p>Inclusive vocational education and training Timothy Ghilain</p>
<p>Timothy Ghilain is a policy officer focusing on issues of education and employment of persons with</p>

disabilities at EASPD. He has a Master in European Studies and a Bachelor in Law. He has worked in the field of international policies since 2010 and has been teaching for a year in Asia. He has joined EASPD in 2013, where he is responsible for children and inclusive education related matters. He is the facilitator of the Standing Committee on Education and of the Interest Group on Early Intervention, and works on education related EU projects. He also represents EASPD in the European Alliance for Investing in children.

Human Rights based training on disabilities for professionals

Frank Elbers

Frank Elbers is the director of Human Rights Education Associates (HREA), the global human rights education and training centre. He has 25 years of experience in human rights and human rights education in post-communist Eastern Europe, the Middle East and North Africa and sub-Saharan Africa. During the 2016-2017 academic year Frank is a Visiting Fellow at the Institute for Women's Studies in the Arab World at Lebanese American University in Beirut.

Roundtable II

Multiple discrimination

Thursday 6 October

9.30-11.30

Women and girls with disabilities

Pirkko Mahlamäki

Ms Pirkko Mahlamäki, MA, BLL, secretary general of Finnish Disability Forum since 2000, board member of European Disability Forum, representing EDF in the board of European Women's Lobby. She is also a member of Non-Discrimination and Equality Tribunal of Finland. She has been involved in networks of women with disabilities, in the mainstreaming of disability and of gender issues and promoting gender equality in national, Nordic, European and international networks, joint civil society activism in promotion of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

Persons with disabilities, gender identity, sexual orientation and sexuality

Embla Guðrúnar Ágústsdóttir

Embla Ágústsdóttir have for the last decade been at the forefront in disability and feminist activism in Iceland. Through her work and study in sociology and gender studies Embla has specialized in disability, gender and sexuality, ableism, microaggression and multiple discrimination with a special focus on the effect of ableism on sexuality, sex, identity and body image. She has been involved with the European Network on Independent Living (ENIL) mostly working on issues concerning young disabled people. Embla is one of the founders of Tabú (Taboo) a feminist movement in Iceland that focuses on disability and multiple discrimination.

Young persons with disabilities from minority background

Ovidiu Tuduruta

Chair of the **European Disability Forum** Youth Committee

<p>Older persons with disabilities in long term care Alicia Gomez Campos</p>
<p>Alicia Gomez Campos is currently coordinating the project 'Human Rights of Older Persons and Long-Term Care' at ENNHRI, the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions. Alicia has five years professional experience working in Brussels at European and International organisations on human rights and social justice on the duties of European projects, communication and advocacy. She is Master of Arts from Sussex University on International Relations and possess a BA in Journalism.</p>
<p>Persons with disabilities as refugees and asylum seekers Kirstin Lange</p>
<p>Kirstin Lange is currently working within UNHCR's Division of International Protection as Senior Disability Advisor. Prior to this role, she worked with UNRWA in Gaza, and had a particular interest in inclusion of persons with disabilities in the UNRWA response to the 2014 conflict. From 2011-12, Kirstin worked as Inclusion Technical Advisor with Handicap International in Afghanistan, a role which included involvement in a regional project to strengthen inclusion of persons with disabilities in Disaster Risk Management. During 2010- 11, she worked as Disability Policy Advisor at UNRWA Headquarters in Amman, Jordan, developing a policy framework for inclusion of persons with disabilities in the Agency's work with Palestine refugees. Prior to this, Kirstin worked with displaced communities in Bougainville, Papua New Guinea; and with refugee communities in Australia.</p>

<p>Roundtable III Removing Stereotypes via participation</p>
<p>Friday 7 October</p>
<p>9.30-11.30</p>
<p>Political participation of persons with disabilities Helga Stevens, MEP</p>
<p>Helga Stevens is the first female deaf Member of the European Parliament and a member of the Flemish N-VA. She was elected into the EP in 2014, is the Vice-President of the ECR group and the co-chair of the Disability Intergroup.</p> <p>In 1993 Helga Stevens was the first deaf person to be awarded a law degree in Belgium and has a Master of Laws degree (LL.M) from the University of California in Berkeley, USA. She was the director and president of the European Union of the Deaf (EUD) for several years. In the European Parliament she is a Member of the LIBE Committee (Civil Liberties, Home Affairs and Justice) and the EMPL Committee (Employment and Social Affairs). Her main areas of focus are disability and equality, as well as migration and privacy.</p>
<p>Active participation of Persons with disabilities in media as actors and users</p>

<p>Ramy El-Bargamy</p> <p>Ramy El-Bargamy is the On Screen Diversity Executive at Channel 4 (UK). His focus is on delivering on the commitments in C4's 360° Diversity Charter. He works in partnership with Commissioning at C4, the independent sector and talent to ensure the best people are being recruited onscreen from the widest possible pool across all genres.</p> <p>Prior to joining Channel 4, Ramy worked in the independent television sector for 10 years, primarily in casting. He has experience working across a broad range of programmes and genres, and most recent credits of his time in the sector included hit shows such as Big Brother and The Voice.</p>
<p>Business and disabilities</p> <p>Jonathan Andrews</p> <p>Jonathan is a future trainee solicitor at global law firm Reed Smith and works with several organisations to increase employment rates for autistic people. He serves on the UK Parliament's Autism Commission, where he's contributed to parliamentary reports on "autistic burnout"; and the Department for Work and Pensions' Expert Advisory Group, where he is currently advising on a Health and Work green paper. He also works pan-Commonwealth, on initiatives assisting the 23 million autistic people living across its 53 nations</p>
<p>Increasing employment of persons with Disabilities in Spain</p> <p>Edurne Alvarez de Mon Gonzalez</p> <p>Edurne Alvarez de Mon Gonzales is a PHd Candidate in CSR and holds a Master in Finance. In 2007 graduated with a degree in Management from CUNEF, including summer courses in HR and communication (London School of Economics, University of Pennsylvania, Emory & University of California Irvine).</p> <p>Currently works as a HR consultant at ONCE Foundation who works in conjunction with multinational companies to assist them in hiring employees with disabilities and in the design and implementation of social innovation multistakeholder programs and initiatives, such as Foro Inserta.</p>
<p>Participation in sports and leisure by young persons with disabilities in Finland</p> <p>Noora Västinen (VAMLAS)</p> <p>Noora Västinen has worked as a coordinator in the Vamlas foundation's "Different But Equal" comic book project in the years 2014-2015 travelling around Finnish schools arranging comic book workshops for pupils and students alongside with other disabled young people. The workshop topics were related to prejudices, attitudes, equality and accessibility.</p> <p>Noora has Waldorf pedagogic teaching qualifications as well as vocational qualifications in business and administration. She is also trained to be a life coach and a laughter yoga coach. Noora has published two children's books and held lectures and workshops relating to the wellness of the mind and body. Noora wants to encourage people to believe in themselves and make their dreams come true.</p>