**Persons with disabilities**

**Positives**
- ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) in 2013
- long-time promotion of community living, development of universal design & accessibility
- strong legal framework against the discrimination of people with disabilities
- policies to reduce the use of coercion in mental health care

**Concerns**
- implementation of the CRPD falls short of some of its key objectives - promotion of the self-determination, legal capacity & equality of people with psycho-social and intellectual disabilities
- Guardianship Act still enables substituted decision-making
- guardianship model hinders the development of supported decision-making alternatives
- frequent use of involuntary placements and medical treatment without consent in psychiatric care

**Recommendations**
- develop together with people with disabilities new systems for supported decision-making, based on individual consent
- revoke plenary guardianship & full incapacitation regimes
- reform legislation on involuntary placements to apply objective & non-discriminatory criteria
- reduce drastically the recourse to involuntary medical treatment & restraints
- medical treatment should be based on free & fully informed consent
Concerns

» past assimilation policies of Romani people/Taters and their current discrimination on the labour market
» Roma community in Oslo faces difficulties in accessing education, employment & housing
» child protection measures are frequently applied to separate Roma children from their families
» municipal bans on begging and “sleeping rough” are discriminatory towards Roma immigrants
» manifestations of anti-Gypsyism & hate speech

Positives

» Government Commission set up to establish a shared understanding of past injustices & abuses with the active involvement of Romani people/Taters

Recommendations

» address past injustices and eradicate current discrimination against Romani people/Taters
» build trust between the Oslo Roma community and the authorities & involve Roma in addressing problems
» develop programmes for mediators & teaching assistants to improve the school attendance of Roma
» provide family support measures to Roma parents and review the human rights compatibility of Roma children’s alternative care decisions
» reconsider municipal bans on begging and “sleeping rough” & ensure the sufficient availability of emergency accommodation to persons in need of shelter
» firmly condemn all instances of racist and xenophobic speech
» enhance the mandate of the Equality and Non-discrimination Ombud to provide assistance & legal representation to victims of discrimination