



Introducing the EU Guidance on Independent Living: Stakeholders' Initial Reactions

Wednesday 11 December 2024

14h00 – 15h30 CET

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INTERPRETATION: English, International Sign Language, Speech to Text in English

Background:

The European Commission has launched its Guidance on independent living and inclusion in the community of persons with disabilities in the context of EU funding.

This is the first time that the European Commission details its own understanding of independent living and how EU Funds can be used to foster the needed transformation of support.

The Guidance covers:

- The EU's practical understanding of independent living
- Policy Orientations for the use of EU Funds
- Transforming principles to actions
- Support from EU Funds
- Monitoring Progress

In response to the publication EASPD, EDF, Inclusion Europe, ENIL, COFACE Families Europe, and Eurochild invite you to a jointly organised online webinar on 11 December at 14:00 CET. This will be the chance to learn more about the new European Commission Guidance on Independent Living and how it can help you in the transformation of support at national, regional or local level.



Agenda

14h00	Welcoming Remarks By Milan Šveřepa, Inclusion Europe
14h05	Introduction to European Commission Guidance on Independent Living Olga Martinez de Briones, European Commission
14h20	Initial Response by Civil Society and Social Partners Moderated by Konstantina Leventi, EASPD <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nadia Hadad, European Disability Forum (EDF)• Milan Šveřepa, Inclusion Europe• Ines Bulic, European Network on Independent Living (ENIL)• Antonia Torrens, COFACE Families Europe• Francesca Pisanu, Eurochild• Lilith Alink, European Association of Service providers for Persons with Disabilities (EASPD) <p>Followed by a Q&A with Participants</p>
15h25	Concluding remarks By Thomas Bignal, EASPD
15h30	End of Webinar

