

The Permanent Mission of Austria & the International Disability Alliance,

together with

the Permanent Missions of Australia, Ecuador, Finland, Italy, Israel, New Zealand, Spain, and Thailand,

cordially invite you to the Side Event:



PERMANENT MISSION OF FINLAND GENEVA



Permanent Mission of Italy to the International Organizations in Geneva



Skills development and economic empowerment: Towards inclusive, sustainable development for all

→ 17 March 2017, 1 – 3pm / Room XXVII, Palais des Nations

This side event aims to:

- Discuss how access to inclusive and quality vocational education and training & employment enables persons with disabilities to participate fully in society
- Present innovative policies & practices advancing vocational education and training & employment for persons with disabilities from around the world; and
- Explore ways on how to strengthen work and cooperation towards “a world without barriers”.

Chair:

H.E. Thomas HAJNOCZI, Permanent Representative of Austria to the UN in Geneva

Opening words (via video):

Shuaib CHALKLEN, Founder and Chairperson of the African Disability Forum and World Future Councillor

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Speakers:

Fernanda ALMEIDA, President of the National Federation of Persons with Autism from Brazil and member of RIADIS: Concrete experience from youth with disabilities from Latin America

Virginia CARCEDO ILLERA, CEO and General Manager, Inserta Empleo: How human resources services can empower jobseekers with disabilities

Matthieu CHATELIN, Cerebral Palsy European Communities' Association and youth leader of the European Disability Forum: Concrete experience from youth with disabilities from Europe

Ingrid HEINDORF, Head of Zero Project Policy Research & Conference Organisation, World Future Council: For a labour market without barriers. The Zero Project Report and Conference 2017

Stefan TRÖMEL, Senior Disability Specialist, International Labour Organization: Promoting disability inclusion in mainstream vocational training and employment services

Interactive dialogue

Refreshments will be served. Captioning will be provided.



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