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AFRT21 (FRANCE)







14th colloquium on Trisomie 21 on the 14th World Down Syndrome Day

Trisomy 21: living better

Evolution of the medico-social sector, inclusion and autonomy

The french organization AFRT and the national and local associations AAPAI49, AMIPI, AAPEI49, Autism 49, HandiCap' ANJOU organize in Angers the 14th colloquium of the World Trisomy Day 21 from 21 to 23 March 2019.

TOPICS ARE:

Genetics and intellectual disability, living with others, taking care of your health, preventing aging.

An important place will be given to the inclusion process with a presentation of local experiences and of the organization "8ème jour" from Brussels in the presence of Pascal Duquenne.

ROUND TABLE

"Evolution of the medico-social sector, inclusion and power to act" is the topic of a round table discussion.



Participants in the round table are:

Ms Sophie Cluzel (State Secretary State Secretary for the Disabled)

Luc Gateau (President of UNAPEI),

Nathanaël Raballand (President of Trisomie 21 France).

The program as well as the online register forms are available on the websites of the associations.

See also the <u>flyer of the event</u>





DOWN SENDROMU DERNEGI (TURKEY)



We run a self-advocacy workshop with children with disabilities in the meeting of Network for Children with Disabilities. A group of secondary school children with different disabilities, Spini bifida, visually impaired, low vision, dyslexia, thalassemia patient, Down syndrome and autism, shared their experiences in the schools, the wishes about their school of dreams, and the solutions they produced.

Click here for more information about our self-advocacy workshop!

https://www.downturkiye.org/the-network-for-children-with-disabilities-self-advocacy-workshop





AN INVITATION FOR ALL EDSA MEMBERS

An invitation for all Edsa members from DSI Down Syndrome Intarnational.



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Dear organisation representative Representing European Down Syndrome Association (EDSA)

With just over a week to go to World Down Syndrome Day 2019, we would really like you to take part in our WDSD New York conference 'leave no one behind in education'. The programme will soon be available to view on this page: https://www.worlddownsyndromeday2.org/event/wdsd-new-york-2019 We are inviting people to "attend" via UN Web TV (either live or on playback). "Attending" online means transmitting/watching the video feed of the event, either live or on playback. We will simply need an informal commitment that individuals or a group will watch the event, which is free to air.

If your organisation does take part please send me your logo and let me know who will be watching so that we can promote this in the online programme, website event page and on social media.

We hope you can join us! Kind regards Tina

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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS 2019



23-26 May 2019

The next European elections take place on 23-26 May 2019 giving all adult EU citizens the

opportunity to select who will represent them in the European Parliament. Help shape Europe's future and vote!

The European elections in May 2019 will have a direct impact on our life. They will decide how Europe will act in the coming years to address our concerns about jobs, business, security, migration and climate change.

Because Europe belongs to all of us, we should all take these decisions together. So it's not only important that we vote, but also our family, friends, neighbours and colleagues. When everybody votes, everybody wins.

The real right of persons with disabilities to vote in EP elections

The right to political participation, including the right to vote, is one of basic rights of every European Union (EU) citizen. The opportunity to actively participate in political life and vote lies at the heart of every democratic society; denying this to people on the grounds of disability constitutes a form of discrimination. As state party to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN CRPD), the EU has the obligation to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy equal recognition before the law (Article 12) and full participation to political life (Article 29).

Various researches reveals that people with disabilities in Europe remain excluded from political participation or have their rights limited by legal and physical barriers.

For further information http://www.europarl.europa.eu/at-your-service/en/be-heard/elections

https://www.inclusion-europe.eu/elect/



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