Invitation to our side event
UNECE Beijing+20 Regional Review Meeting

“Autistic Girls and Women”

Friday, 7 November 2014, 8.30-9.45 am
Palais des Nations, Room XXIII

One percent of the population is on the autism spectrum. Girls and women present differently than autistic males. Thus, they often lack a diagnosis and access to support and services. Autistic girls and women face multiple forms of violence and discrimination.

Moderator:
Lyda Verstegen, former president, International Alliance of Women

Speakers:
Chiara Servili, focal point for child and adolescent mental health, World Health Organization
Adeline Lacroix, teacher / Alliance Autiste (France)
Dena Gassner, social worker / Adelphi University (USA)
Olley Edwards, actress, model, author, filmmaker / co-founder, Autism Women Matter (UK)

The last three speakers are autistic. The last two speakers are also mothers of a boy and two girls on the autism spectrum, respectively.

Questions and discussion at the end.
The side event is public and the language is English.

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