

SIDE EVENT REGIONAL FORUM FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



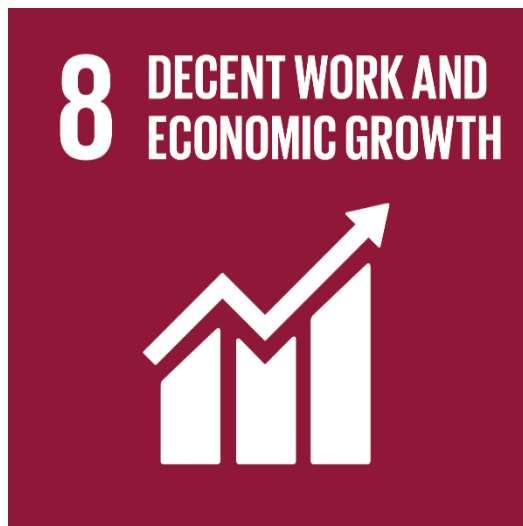
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A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE
FOR ALL BY FOSTERING
LABOUR INCLUSION OF
PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES



FRIDAY, 22ND MARCH 2019

08h30 – 09h45

International Conference
Centre Geneva (CICG)
Room 3

ACCESSIBILITY

- Room is wheelchair accessible
- International Sign Interpretation
- Speech-to-Text (English)
- Other accessibility features available on request

SPEAKERS

- Thorkild Olesen (Board Member)
European Disability Forum
- Alicia Goya de Anca
Disability Hub Europe
- Dr. Tatjana Binggeli (President)
Swiss Federation of the Deaf
- Jürgen Menze (Disability Inclusion
Officer)
International Labour Organisation (ILO)
- EU Delegation to UN in Geneva

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Programme

Chair	Oliver Wenczel, Platform Agenda 2030 Switzerland
08h30 – 08h40	Welcome (TBC)
08h40 - 08h50	Overview: Employment and Persons with Disabilities - Thorkild Olesen, Board Member, European Disability Forum
08h50 – 09h00	Fostering Social and Labour Market Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Europe - Alicia Goya de Anca, Disability Hub Europe
09h00 – 09h10	Think globally, act locally: reaping the business benefits of disability inclusion - Jürgen Menze, Disability Inclusion Officer, International Labour Organization (ILO)
09h10 – 09h30	Country in focus: Switzerland – Best practice examples - Dr Tatjana Binggeli, President, Swiss Federation of the Deaf - L'Oréal Switzerland
09h30 – 09h40	Question & Answer Session
09:40 – 09:45	Closing (TBC)

SDG 8 on Employment, target 8.5: “By 2030, achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value.”

Persons with disabilities make up an estimated one billion of the world's population with about 80% being of working age. However, many persons with disabilities, particularly women and youth, are unable to achieve their full potential. Employers miss out on their potential and possible business benefits. This is due to attitudinal, physical and informational barriers. SDG 8 specifically references persons with disabilities to achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all. This session will provide background information on the employment of persons with disabilities and give best practice examples aligned with the [article 27](#) of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: work and employment.