# Preparing for the Global Disability Summit

Easy-to-read version

Easy-to-read is information

that is written in a simple way   
so that people with intellectual disabilities   
and all people can understand it.

You can find more information at

[www.inclusion-europe.eu/easy-to-read](http://www.inclusion-europe.eu/easy-to-read)

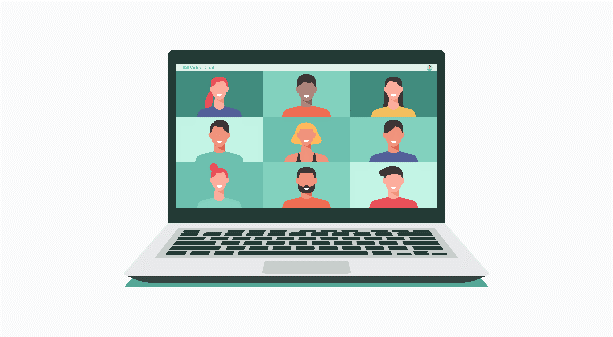
## The Global Disability Summit

On 16 and 17 February 2022,

an important meeting will take place online

about the rights of people with disabilities

in poorer countries of the world.

The meeting is calledthe **‘Global Disability Summit’**.

People and organisations from all over the world

will take part in this meeting.

For example,   
people who make decisions for different countries   
and organisations of people with disabilities.

They will talk about   
how the situation is for people with disabilities   
in poorer countries of the world   
and how they can work together   
to make a difference.

This is the second time this meeting happens.

The first time was in 2018 and had many good results.

The meeting helps to make   
the **‘UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities’**   
happen.

In short, we call it ‘UN Convention’ or ‘CRPD’.

This is an agreement many countries in the world have made

to protect the rights of people with disabilities.

Also, the meeting helps to achieve

the **‘Sustainable Development Goals’**.

These are goals set   
by many countries in the world

to look after the planet and its people.

We want to achieve these goals by 2030.

In short, these goals are called ‘SDGs’.

SDGs can make a difference for people with disabilities too

and especially those who live in poorer countries of the world.

Amongst others, the Global Disability Summit aims to:

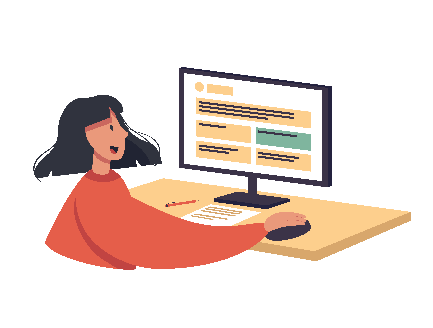
* Make sure countries take into account

the needs and rights of people with disabilities.

* Help organisations of people with disabilities

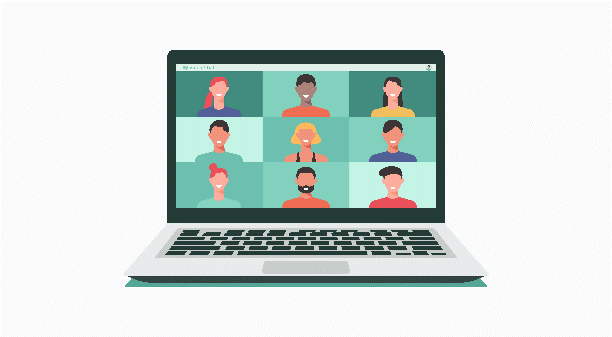
in poorer countries   
to be stronger and be heard   
by their government.

* Show the progress that has been made   
  since the meeting of 2018.
* Agree on new aims for the future   
  to make things better   
  for people with disabilities in the world.

If you are interested in these topics   
and you want to take part   
in the Global Disability Summit,

[please fill the form here](https://registration.tappin.no/register/globaldisabilitysummit).

## Preparing for the Global Disability Summit

Many European organisations   
will take part in the Global Disability Summit.

They are working to make the most   
of this important world meeting.

Amongst others, they:

* Collect the views of people with disabilities

so they can represent them at the meeting in the best way.

* Discuss the aims of the Global Disability Summit

and how they can have an active role   
in making them happen in Europe.

On 8 February 2021,   
European organisations will come together   
to discuss all this   
and plan their participation   
in the Global Disability Summit.

You can also take part in this meeting

by [filling this form here](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_RSxUxw5pT_-9CCDmi3DBdA).

EDF has an active role in these meetings   
representing all people with disabilities   
and their organisations in Europe.

We made a [useful document](https://www.edf-feph.org/content/uploads/2021/11/EDF-toolkit-DPOs-involvement-Global-Disability-Summit.docx)   
to support our members

to take part in the Global Disability Summit

and get their governments to take part too.

We want the voices of all people with disabilities   
to be heard at the Global Disability Summit

and to **leave no one behind**.

If you have questions,   
please send us an email at:   
[ansofie.leenknecht@edf-feph.org](mailto:ansofie.leenknecht@edf-feph.org).