

# European Accessibility Summit 2023:The future of digital accessibility: technology that works for all

**Date and Time**: 8 June 2023

**Location:** Hybrid ([registration link](https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=uO3leOlE_USSHxc3T-J1AFQrtArzjNJKqwJF8QKxPapUQjBRWTFDRllQVzFJQUhVWklRRDhEWDkzUi4u)) & Microsoft forum, Rue Montoyer 51, 1000 Brussels (in-person participation upon invitation only).

## Draft agenda:

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| **Time** | **Agenda item** |
| 09:30 – 10:00 | **Registrations and breakfast** |
| 10:00 – 10:10   | **Introductory remarks** * Nanna-Louise Linde, Vice President, European Government Affairs, Microsoft
* Catherine Naughton, Director, European Disability Forum (EDF)

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| 10:10 – 10:20   | **Welcome remarks*** Video message from Nicolas Schmit, European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights
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| 10:20 – 11:20  | **Designing devices for all*** Tommy Zonnekein, Accessibility Program Manager, SNCB
* Radha Gohil, Data Ethics and Digital Standards Lead, Shell
* Gurpreet Kaur, Vice President, Accessibility and Inclusive Design, Mastercard
* Ali Dehghanpour, Design Lead, Zettle by PayPal
* Anna Drabarz, Board member, European Disability Forum (EDF)

Moderator: Lissa Shook, Assistant General Counsel, Accessibility Regulation, Privacy and Regulatory Affairs, Microsoft |
| 11:20 – 11:40  | **Break**  |
| 11:40 – 12:00   | **The uptake of accessibility in Europe: Perspectives from Microsoft and EDF** Jenny Lay-Flurrie, Chief Accessibility Officer, Microsoft and Alejandro Moledo, Deputy Director, European Disability Forum (EDF) |
| 12:00 – 13:00  | **Seamless and accessible communication and information*** Bianca Prins, Global Head of Accessibility, ING
* Tom Van Den Bosch, Chief Product Officer, itsme
* Jan-Jaap Hamers, Project Leader Digital Inclusion, KPN
* Lidia Best, President, European Federation of Hard of Hearing

Moderator: Rylin Rodgers, Disability Policy Advisor, Microsoft  |
| 13:00 – 14:00  | **Lunch break**   |
| 14:00 – 14:30 | **Artificial Intelligence and Accessibility*** Hector Minto, Senior Accessibility Evangelist, Microsoft
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| 14:30 – 15:20 | **A Conversation on Standards and the AccessibleEU Center** * Inmaculada Placencia Porrero, Senior Expert in Disability and Inclusion, European Commission,
* Susanna Laurin, Chief Research and Innovation Officer, Funka
* Fernando Machicado, Stakeholder Engagement Coordinator, Spanish Association for Standardization (UNE)
* Shadi Abou-Zahra, Principal Accessibility Standards and Policy Manager, Amazon

Moderator: Alejandro Moledo, Deputy Director, European Disability Forum |
| 15:20 – 15:40 | **Break** |
| 15:40 – 16:30 | **Enabling an accessible digital work environment** * Laura Davis, Chief Executive, British Association for Supported Employment (BASE)
* Bárbara Martín Muñoz, Vice President, European Blind Union (EBU)
* Daphne Nathalie Ahrendt, Senior Research Manager, Eurofound
* Bruce Roch, Global Head of Inclusion, The Adecco Group

Moderator: Nadia Hadad, Executive Committee member, European Disability Forum (EDF) |
| 16:30 – 16:55 | **Demo session on the new Microsoft Adaptive Accessories** John Helmes, Senior Designer, Microsoft  |
| 16:55 – 17:00 | **Closing remarks** * Esa Kaunistola, Director, Microsoft
* Catherine Naughton, Director, European Disability Forum (EDF)
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| 17:00 – 18:00 | **Networking reception in Brussels** |