

# 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) |
| 10:10 – 10:20 | **Welcome remarks**   * Video message from Nicolas Schmit, European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights |
| 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 |
| 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) |
| 17:00 – 18:00 | **Networking reception in Brussels** |