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● ABOUT ME

Policy Manager of the European Union of the Deaf, Teaching Assistant and Researcher at UCLouvain Saint-Louis Bruxelles University, and President of the French Belgian Federation of the Deaf (FFSB)

● WORK EXPERIENCE

POLICY MANAGER – EUROPEAN UNION OF THE DEAF – 01/05/2023 – Current – BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

- Supervision and implementation of the CERV (Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values) work programme in line with the priorities of the European Union.
- Management of EUD's policy team, including daily coordination, strategic guidance, and strengthening of internal capacities.
- Conducting and coordinating EUD's advocacy work with the European institutions (European Commission, European Parliament, Council of the EU) as well as the Council of Europe, in relation to the human rights of deaf people, national sign languages, and the rights of persons with disabilities.
- Representation of EUD at high-level meetings, conferences, and working groups, including within the EU Disability Platform and European Parliament committees (employment, petitions, and women's rights and gender equality).
- Drafting position papers, policy contributions, and alternative reports in response to public consultations and UN mechanisms.
- Leading capacity-building work for EUD members (National Associations of the Deaf) through training sessions, webinars, and educational tools in sign language.
- Monitoring EU policies related to fundamental rights, accessibility, artificial intelligence, employment, and freedom of movement. Contributing to the coordination of European projects in line with EUD's strategic priorities, and mainstreaming the linguistic and cultural rights of deaf people into European legislative frameworks.

TEACHING ASSISTANT AND RESEARCHER (10%) – UCLOUVAIN - SAINT LOUIS BRUXELLES – 01/09/2025 – Current – BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

- Teaching Assistant in the "Human Rights Protection Systems" course, part of the Advanced Master in Human Rights.
- Associate Researcher in the Interdisciplinary Research Centre for Constitutional and Administrative Law (CIRC).

HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICER – WORLD FEDERATION OF THE DEAF – 01/03/2019 – 30/04/2023 – HELSINKI, FINLAND

- Coordination and implementation of international human rights advocacy with United Nations institutions (notably the Human Rights Council, the CRPD Committee, the CRC Committee, and the CEDAW Committee) and other regional stakeholders (e.g. UNICEF ESARO).
- Strategic advice and support to national associations of the deaf in implementing their advocacy at national level, in line with international human rights standards and the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
- Leadership of the financing strategy: drafting, coordinating, and monitoring grant applications, both for operational funding and thematic projects.
- Participation in high-level meetings, notably the Conference of States Parties to the CRPD (COSP) at the United Nations in New York (2019 and 2022), and the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction in Bali (2022);
- Intervention as a panellist at an official United Nations event in Geneva on the occasion of the International Day of Sign Languages (2022).

- Organisation and facilitation of capacity-building training sessions for international, regional, and national stakeholders on human rights, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the linguistic rights of deaf people.
- Team management, coordination of international projects, and monitoring of operational and budgetary implementation.
- Implementation and monitoring of the WFD strategy for the period 2020–2030, in line with global priorities on the rights of deaf people, the recognition of sign languages, and full and effective participation.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS POLICY ASSISTANT – EUROPEAN DISABILITY FORUM – 15/02/2018 – 15/08/2018
– BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

- Advocating for the inclusion of persons with disabilities in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in EU policies.
- Participation at the High-Level Political Forum 2018 in New York where I delivered the first statement ever to a Voluntary National Review in International Sign.
- Designing an advocacy strategy to implement the SDGs from a youth with disabilities perspective.
- Networking with relevant stakeholder groups and organizations for a better implementation disability policies.
- Supervising the process for some EDF policy brief
- Writing articles for EDF website
- Submission to European Development Day's Young Leader Program

ACCREDITED PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANT – EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - MEP HELGA STEVENS – 01/09/2018 – 28/02/2019 – BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

- Monitoring issues related to equal opportunities, non-discrimination, and the rights of persons with disabilities in plenary work and within the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE).
- Acting as the main contact point for relations with the European Disability Forum (EDF), notably in the development of policy positions and monitoring of legislative initiatives.
- Coordinating the activities of the European Parliament's Disability Intergroup: organising meetings, drafting briefing notes, booking sign language interpreters and speech-to-text services.
- Liaising with the secretariats of the Delegations for Korea (DKOR) and Central Asia (DCAS), providing specific expertise on the situation of deaf and disabled people in these regions.
- Contributing to online communication: drafting content, managing publications on social media, and supporting the digital visibility of parliamentary actions.

● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

15/09/2015 – 30/06/2017 Liège, Belgium

MASTER OF LAW (SPECIALISATION IN LABOUR AND SOCIAL SECURITY LAW) University of Liège

Website https://www.droit.uliege.be/cms/c_3220464/fr/fdspc |

Thesis "Allowances for persons with disabilities in light of the United Nation's Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities: to a necessary recast?"

19/06/2017 – 23/06/2017 Galway, Ireland

9TH INTERNATIONAL DISABILITY LAW SUMMER SCHOOL National University of Ireland Galway

Website <https://www.universityofgalway.ie/centre-disability-law-policy/trainingandevents/pastsummerschools/summerschool2017/>

15/09/2010 – 30/06/2015 Liège, Belgium

BACHELOR OF LAW University of Liège

● **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Mother tongue(s): **FRENCH** | **FRENCH BELGIAN SIGN LANGUAGE (LSFB)**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
INTERNATIONAL SIGN	C2	C2	C2	C2	
SPANISH	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2
AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE	C1		C1	C1	

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

● PUBLICATIONS

[From Recognition to Officialisation - A European Evolution of Sign Language Rights](#)

Bloxs, Alexandre, ed. From Recognition to Officialisation: A European Evolution of Sign Language Rights. Belgium: European Union of the Deaf, 2025.

2025

[Briser le Silence Juridique : L'Impact de l'Absence de Cadre Juridique Protégeant les Interprètes Professionnelles Français-LSFB sur les Droits des Personnes Sourdes](#)

Authors: Alexandre Bloxs; Christopher Stone | **Journal Name:** L'autonomie à l'épreuve du handicap, le handicap à l'épreuve de l'autonomie | **Volume, Issue and Pages:** pp. 229-252 | **Publisher:** Presses de l'Université Saint-Louis – UCLouvain

2022

[Manning, V., Murray, J.J. and Bloxs, A. \(2022\). Linguistic Human Rights in the Work of the World Federation of the Deaf. In The Handbook of Linguistic Human Rights \(eds T. Skutnabb-Kangas and R. Phillipson\)](#)

[Digitalization to unlock human rights to sign language – Yes, but at what cost?](#)

Minority and Indigenous Trends 2020