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“From Inclusive Education to Inclusive Employment for People with Disabilities” High Level Meeting on Disability

11 –12 May, 2015

Venue: National Library of Latvia, Mūkusalas iela 3, Riga

MEDIA PROGRAMME

Journalists are welcome to participate in all Conference sessions (see Conference programme).

Live stream of the Conference will be available on www.eu2015.lv

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11 May, Monday

9:00 Media Centre opens

13:10-13:30 **Press Conference**
Venue: Hall Baltija, 1st floor

Participating:

Mr Uldis AUGULIS, Minister of Welfare, Latvia

Mr Nils MUIZNIEKS, Council of Europe, Commissioner for Human Rights

Mr Yannis VARDAKASTANIS, President of European Disability Forum

13:30-14:15 **Opening**
Venue: Hall Riga, 2nd floor

Moderator: Mr Juris JANSONS, Ombudsman of the Republic of Latvia

Mr Uldis AUGULIS, Minister for Welfare, Latvia

Ms Māriņa SEILE, Minister for Education and Science, Latvia

Ms Maria-Luisa CABRAL, Head of Unit for the Rights of persons with disabilities,

European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Mr Nils MUIZNIEKS, Council of Europe, Commissioner for Human Rights

Mr Yannis VARDAKASTANIS, President of European Disability Forum

14:15-16:00 **Panel Discussion I - Towards disability policies based on human rights model**
Venue: Hall Riga, 2nd floor

16:30-18:00 **Parallel Working Sessions - Rights of children with disabilities**

Session I - From inclusive education to employment

Venue: Hall Riga, 2nd floor

Session II - Inclusive education – doing away with barriers

Venue: Hall Zemgale, 2nd floor

18:30 Media Centre closes

12 May, Tuesday

8:30 Media Centre opens

9:00-11:00	Panel Discussion II - How to overcome barriers for successful employment? <i>Venue: Hall Riga, 2nd floor</i>
11:30-12:40	Closing Session - Moving forward <i>Venue: Hall Riga, 2nd floor</i> Moderator: Ms Ieva JAUNZEME, State Secretary of the Ministry of Welfare, Latvia Ms Aija BARČA, Chair, Employment and Social Affairs Committee of the Saeima Ms Maria-Luisa CABRAL, Head of Unit for the Rights of persons with disabilities, European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion Mr Brando BENIFEI, European Parliament, Vice-president to the Disability Intergroup Mr Yannis YALLOUROS, Member of EDFs Executive Committee
12:40-12:50	Closing remarks by Mr Uldis Augulis, Minister for Welfare, Latvia
13:00	Media Centre closes

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