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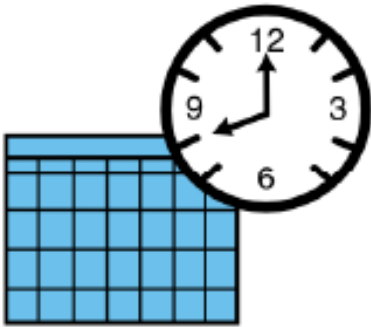
**Our conference meeting for
the Convention on the Rights
of Persons with Disabilities**



**10th – 12th June 2025
United Nations in New York**

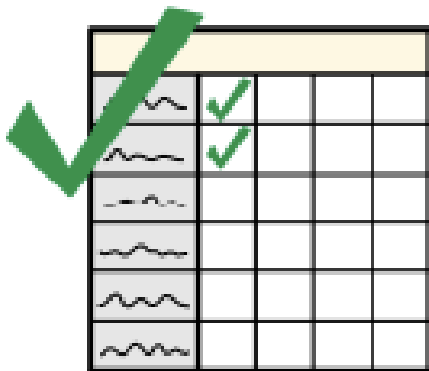
Our meeting on Tuesday 10th June

10am – 1pm in the General Assembly Hall



This is our conference meeting booklet.
You can use it to see what happens from
Tuesday 10th – Thursday 12th June.

Our conference starts in the **General Assembly Hall** at **10am.**



1. Welcome from **Ms. Bjørg Sandkjær**
from an organisations called **UNDESA**

2. We **elect officers** – this means we
choose who will be our officers.

3. We say what our agenda is.



This is chaired by **H.E. Jayantha Jayasuriya** from Sri Lanka

4. We will talk about how we organise
our work.

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We will hear from

- **The President of Conference**
- **H.E Amina J. Mohammed**, Deputy Secretary-General for the Secretary-General of the United Nations
- **H.E Philemon Yang**, President of the General Assembly – this will be a **video message**



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We will then hear from



- **Ms. Miyeon Kim**, Chairperson
Committee on the Rights of
Persons with Disabilities

- **Ms. Heba Hagrass**, Special
Rapporteur on the Rights of
Persons with Disabilities

- **Dr. Joseph Murray** from the
International Disability Alliance and
World Federation of the Deaf



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We will meet and talk together in the
General Assembly Hall.

This is called a **debate.**

We want the public to know more
about



- ✓ the rights of persons with disabilities
- ✓ what persons with disabilities bring to society

This is the main subject of our
conference meeting.



We want to do this important work
before the **2nd World Summit for
Social Development** happens.

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From **3pm – 6pm** we will meet again to talk about the **Convention** in the **General Assembly Hall**.



Our debate will continue over the 3 days of the conference.

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We will talk around the table about

How to empower persons with disabilities in different ways

This session is run together by

- **Ms. Zuleikha Tambwe** from Tanzania and
- **Mr. Javier Güemes** from ONCE



We will see presentations from

Ms Jane Fitzgerald Spring from Australia



Mr. Łukasz Krason from Poland

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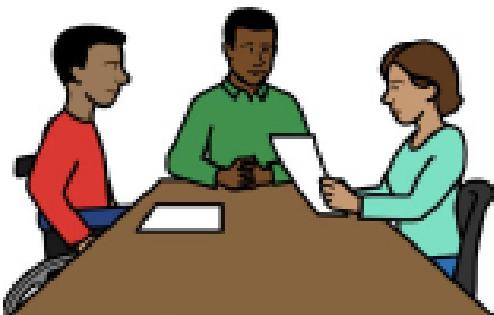


We will then see presentations from

- **Mr. Boucar Diouf** from Senegal
- **Dr. Ola Abualghaib**,
Director, United Nations Global
Disability Fund/UNPRPD
- **Mr. Matrika Prasad Devkota**,
KOSHISH from Nepal



We will have time for questions and answers.



The Chair will end the session with some words.

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We will talk around the table about **Artificial Intelligence** or **AI** for short.

We will talk about how **AI** can help persons with disabilities.



This session is run together by

- **Mr. David Pedroza** from Peru
- **Ms. Susan Mazrui**, G3ICT

We will see presentations from

- **Mr. Lim Zui Young**, Oobee, GovTech Singapore
- **Ms Dovilė Juodkaitė** from Lithuania
- **Professor Alexiei Dingli** from the University of Malta



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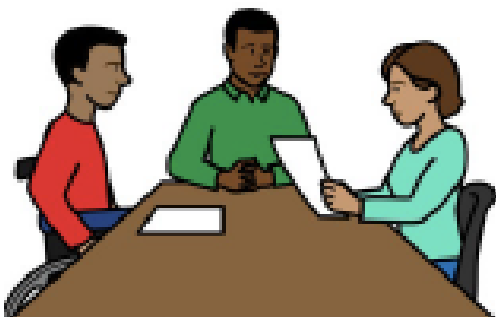
- **Ms. Jutta Treviranus** from Canada
- **Dr. Mohammed Ali Loutfy**, Global Initiative for Inclusive Information and Communication Technologies



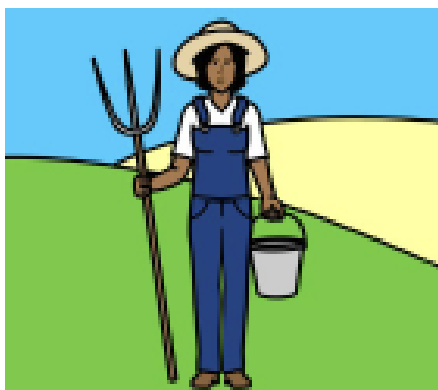
After the presentation we will talk together.

There will be time for questions and answers.

The Chair will end the session with some words.



Our meeting on Thursday 12th June 10am – 1pm in Conference Room 4



We will talk around the table about
**The rights of Indigenous people
with disabilities and how to make
sure they are included**

The session is run together by



- **Ms. Elizabeth Tudor-Beziés** from
Canada



- **Ms. Christine Kandie Lebelit** from
Kenya

We will see presentations from



- **Ms. Jenny Tibocha** from Colombia
- **Ms. Olga Montúfar** representing
Latin America, the Caribbean and
Mexico
- **Ms. Tahlia-Rose Vanissum** from
Australia

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We will keep talking together with partners and other groups about the Convention.

This session is chaired by
President of the Conference from **Sri Lanka**



We will have presentations from

- **Ms. Bjørg Sandkjær**, from DESA
- **Ms. Ilze Brands Kehris**, from OHCHR
- **Ms. Charlotte McClain-Nhlapo**, from the World Bank
- **Dr. Ola Abualghaib** from the United Nations Global Disability Fund/UNPRPD



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We will then hear from

- **Ms. Roxana Widmer-Iliescu**, Head of Digital Inclusion Service, ITU
- **Ms. Anne Sina**, from DPOD in Denmark



We will have some questions and answers with **States Parties**.

We will make some

- ✓ **Decisions by the Conference of States Parties**



The meeting will close with words by

- **the Vice-Presidents and**
- **President of the Conference**

Thank you for coming to our conference meetings!



You can find out more about our work for persons with disabilities on this website

<http://www.un.org/disabilities>

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