

Hear our voices!

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Our Voices Count!

What self-advocates
from 18 European countries
said...

Messages from the workshops

Why is it
important to
take part?

Taking part

- We are citizens like all others
- People are people
- A community that includes people with disabilities, includes everyone
- If we are visible people will know how to talk and include us
- **It's our lives. We should have a say.**

What do we
need?

We need:

- Support when needed
- People that really represent us in politics
- Information that is easy to read and understand
- Accessible cities and towns
- To be connected with each other
- Opportunities
- Politicians on our side
- A place where we can take our needs – and that tries to solve them
- Respect for ability, not pity for disability
- **To stay strong together!**

What do we
demand?

We demand

- The right to vote
- To be included
- To get accessible information
- To get real jobs and real pay
- To have the same opportunities
- The right to self-determination
- That all institutions are closed

We demand

- Punishment for the countries that are not respecting the Convention
- Money to invest in people, not in institutions
- Justice for all
- **Respect! Talk to us directly.**

What do we
have to offer?

We can offer:

- Training for politicians and decision-makers
- Adaptation of information to easy to read
- **Expertise. We are the experts!**

We want to hear
more!

Let's all hear your
voices!