

My Opinion My Vote

Many people with learning disabilities don't experience any political participation as electors and don't exercise their right to vote. The Equal Opportunities Centre for Disabled Persons is participating in an EU funded project that aims to modify this situation.

The overall objective of the project is to educate people with learning disabilities to get aware of their political rights and to form and express their informed opinion on the occasion of local, national and European elections and referenda, as any other European citizen. The project will be made in a partnership between nine organizations in six European countries.

In the project people with learning disabilities and researchers from the six participating countries will design, develop and test an educational programme composed by two modules and ten educational units about politics and voting. An awareness raising campaign will also be launched, addressed to people with learning disabilities themselves, their families, professionals, decision makers and political parties. The project aims to foster dissemination and exploitation of the results to as many people with learning disabilities as possible, through setting up a permanent observatory of the exercise of political rights of people with learning disabilities.

There will be a project website; we will let you know when it is up and running.

Questions about the project can be adressed to cj@clh.dk or tmj@clh.dk

*Kind regards,
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