

Inclusion Europe Strategy 2018-2020 Easy-to-read



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Where we are:



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**RESPECT, SOLIDARITY
AND INCLUSION**

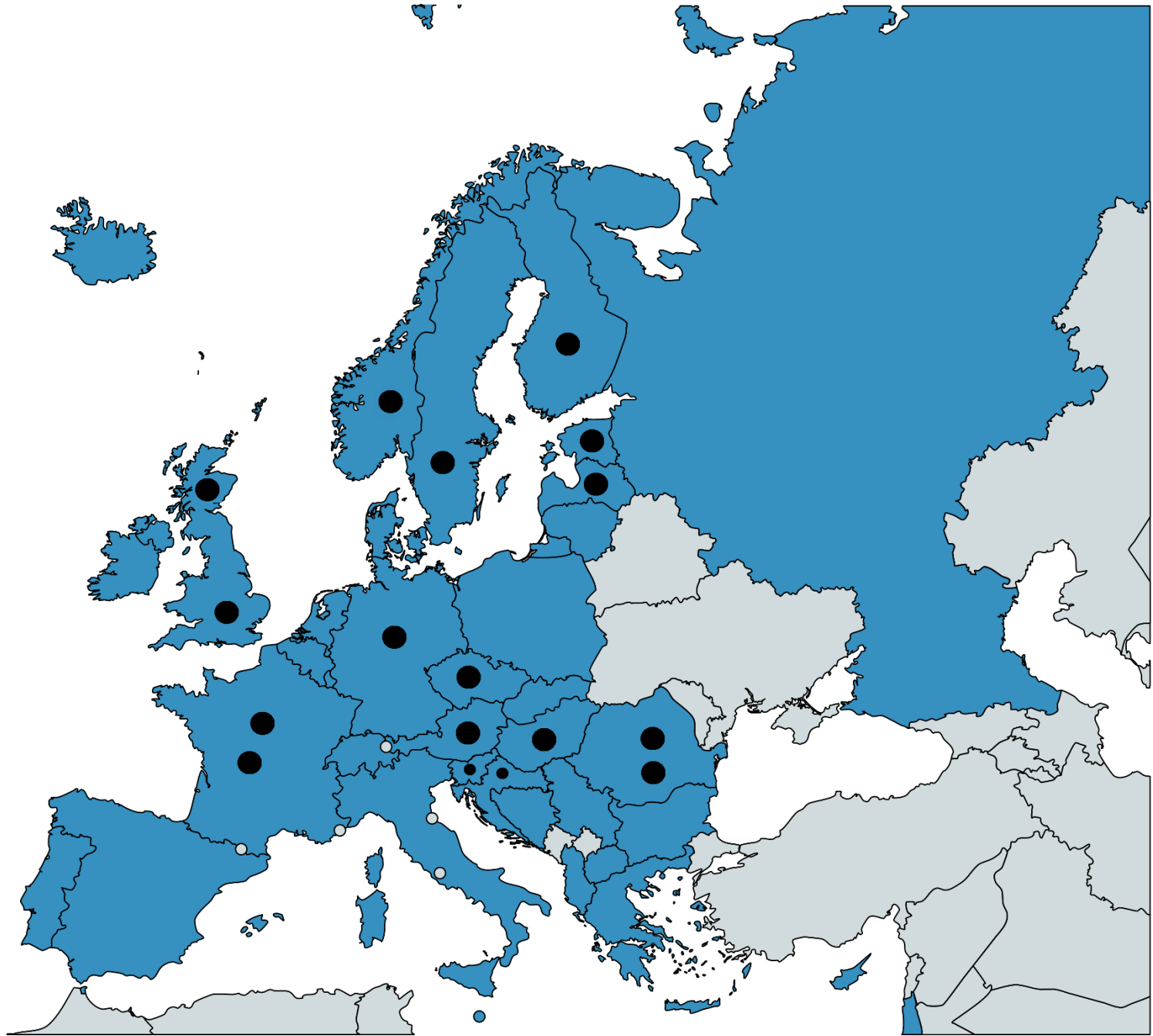
for people with
Intellectual Disabilities
and their families



- Inclusion Europe is an organisation that defends and gives voice to people with intellectual disabilities and their families in Europe.
- Inclusion Europe was created in 1988.
- The European Platform of Self-Advocates is part of Inclusion Europe since the year 2000.
- Inclusion Europe has 71 members in 38 different countries in Europe.

Inclusion Europe members

- Members
- European platform of self-advocates



- Inclusion Europe works with the following organisations:
 - Inclusion International.
 - European Disability Forum.
 - Social Platforms.
 - European Expert Group on Transition to Community.
- Inclusion Europe promotes accessibility for all people with intellectual disabilities by doing:
 - Easy-to-read.
 - Accessible meetings.
 - Making accessibility easier.

We have seen big improvements for people with intellectual disabilities in Europe:

- The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Person with Intellectual Disabilities (UN CRPD).
- **Legal Capacity law.**
- More people with intellectual disabilities can vote in **elections.**

- **Independent Living.**
- **Inclusive Education.**
- More easy-to-read information.
- Self-Advocacy.

But there are still things to improve for people with disabilities 1/2

- Some persons with intellectual disabilities get denied legal capacity.
- Some persons with intellectual disabilities do not have the right to vote or stand for elections.
- We need more information and products accessible for people with intellectual disabilities.
- More help for family members of people with intellectual disabilities.
- Sometimes people with intellectual disabilities have problems having jobs.

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- Many children with intellectual disabilities can not go to the same schools as other kids.
- A lot of people are put in **institutions**.
- People do not know about intellectual disabilities.
- Many countries do not think **self-advocacy** is very important.

Where we want to go:



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Where we want to go?

Inclusion Europe wants an Europe where:

- People with intellectual disabilities can make their own decisions about their lives.
- People with intellectual disabilities are allowed to vote.
- People with intellectual disabilities can work and get paid as everyone else.

Where we want to go?

Inclusion Europe wants families of people with intellectual disabilities to have more help:

- Families need help when taking care of people with intellectual disabilities.
- We want families to not have to pay for everything when taking care of people with intellectual disabilities.
- Families do not end alone and with less money because they do not receive help.

How do we get there:



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Mission

To fight for the rights and full inclusion for all people with intellectual disabilities and their families.

- Inclusion Europe represents their members in Europe.
- Inclusion Europe try to make the European laws better to defend the people with intellectual disabilities and their families.
- Inclusion Europe gives people with intellectual disabilities a way to speak up in Europe.

Objectives and strategy 1/3

Persons:

Inclusion Europe wants all people with intellectual disabilities to be full part of the society.

Inclusion Europe is fighting for:

- Right to live in the community and not be forced in **institutions**.
- Right to vote and stand up for elections.
- Support of self-advocacy movements.

Objectives and strategy 2/3

Families:

To have a society where families with intellectual disable people are just the same as the rest.

Inclusion Europe is fighting for:

- Have the right to live in the community.
- Have same access to education and same opportunities as the rest of people.

Objectives and strategy 3/3

Society:

Have a society where people understand what intellectual disabilities are and how to communicate with people with them.

We fight:

- So families can participate in the project.
- We explain what it is to have an intellectual disability.
- We create accessible content and we make others use it.

To do all of that, we will:

- Talk with European Union to make them change their laws to help people with intellectual disabilities.
- Help and speak for the people with intellectual disabilities and their families.
- Include people with intellectual disabilities in our work.

To do all of that, we will:

- Continue creating accessible content.
- Fight discrimination and make the people know better about intellectual disabilities.
- Make bigger and stronger the inclusion movement.

Inclusion Europe has 5 policy areas which it works on:

1) Legal Capacity

-Access to Justice

-Right to Vote

-Protection from Discrimination.

2) Inclusive Education.

3) Living in the community

Closing institutions

4) Poverty

5) Healthy life

Difficult words

- **Legal Capacity:** being able to make a particular decision or choice at a particular time. There are laws about how to decide if someone has capacity. Then it is called legal capacity.

- **Elections.** An election is when each person who is 18 years old or older gets to vote.

Elections decide who should speak for us and make choices for us.

Difficult words

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- **Inclusive education** means being able to learn and work together with other people without disabilities.
- **Self-Advocacy** is learning how to speak up for yourself, making your own decisions about your own life.
- **Institutions** are places where people with intellectual disabilities lives with other peoples with intellectual disabilities apart from other people.

Sometimes is against their will.

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