



## Invitation



### Launch of study findings:

## “Assessing the impact of European governments’ austerity plans on the rights of people with disabilities”

**6 November 2012**  
**17.00 – 18.30**

**European Parliament, Brussels**  
József Antall Building (JAN), Room: 6Q1

The austerity measures undertaken by numerous European governments are resulting in drastic cuts to social welfare budgets. Concerned by the potentially large impact that these measures may have on the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, in 2011 the [European Foundation Centre’s Consortium on Human Rights and Disability](#) launched a study to gather evidence on the impact that these measures might have at European level. The event will bring together European Parliamentarians, policy experts and disability groups to discuss the conclusions of the Study. The debate will also look at what can be done at European level to tackle social exclusion experienced by Europe’s citizens which has been exacerbated by the crisis.

### Keynote speakers

Rosa **ESTARÀS FERRAGUT**, MEP - European Parliament  
José **LEANDRO**, Cabinet of the President of the European Council  
Miguel Ángel **CABRA DE LUNA**, EFC Consortium on Human Rights and Disability  
Yannis **VARDAKASTANIS**, European Disability Forum  
Adam **KOSA**, Disability Intergroup of the European Parliament

Please register by **30 October 2012** at [sbalmas@efc.be](mailto:sbalmas@efc.be)

Check out the event's [full programme](#)

*The hearing is open to the public. Should you not have an entry pass to the European Parliament, please provide us with your personal details: Name, Surname, Email, Nationality, ID number and Date of Birth.*