

United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Awareness Raising Event

Tuesday 30 March 2010

Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Westminster, London

The Office for Disability Issues (ODI) is pleased to invite you to an event about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (the Convention), which will take place in Westminster on 30 March. This will be a chance to hear directly from the Minister for Disabled People about the Convention, give your views on how disabled people and their organisations could be involved in implementing, monitoring and reporting the Convention, and raise issues which you believe are important as implementation of the Convention is taken forward.

The Convention is an international treaty which explains that all disabled people in the UK, and around the world, have and should be able to enjoy the same human rights as other people. The Convention is a very detailed document which covers all areas of life including employment, health, culture, liberty and accessibility. More information about it can be found on the [ODI website](#) and on the [UN Enable website](#).

Disabled people and their organisations have a key role to play. One of the Convention's important principles is that disabled people and their organisations should be involved in putting it into practice. ODI is interested in learning what disabled people themselves already know about the Convention, what they want to learn and how they want to be involved in future Convention work.

Registration will be open from 10am with the event starting at 11am and planning to finish at 3.30pm.

Key speakers:

- **Jonathan Shaw:** Minister for Disabled People
- **Tim Cooper:** ODI Director
- **Neil Crowther:** Disability Programme Director
The Equality and Human Rights Commission.

There will also be the opportunity to take part in discussion groups with other stakeholders and attend a networking lunch.

How to register

Please register to attend this event by [clicking here to complete the online booking form](#). There are a limited number of places available and they will be issued on a first come first served basis. Please indicate if you have any additional requirements so that we can ensure your comfort on the day.

Please note that all bookings must be confirmed via the [online booking form](#) by **19 March 2010** even if you have previously let ODI staff know that you would like to attend.

ODI are able to assist a limited number of individuals with travel expenses who would otherwise not be able attend this Conference. [Please email us](#) in **advance of the event** with what level of assistance you may need.

Have Your Say!

We are keen to hear your thoughts and views. Please view and join in our forum discussion on the registration website.

If you have any queries in the meantime please visit the website or contact our Event Office.

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