

The fundamental rights of persons with intellectual disabilities and persons with mental health problems



FRA's disability work is carried out **with and by persons with disabilities** who are treated as individuals with rights, not 'objects' of charity, in line with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

“ Even if I cannot speak, it does not mean I have nothing to say ”

Know your rights



Living independently and being included in the community **Article 19 CRPD**



Access to Justice **Article 13 CRPD**



Equality and non-discrimination **Article 5 CRPD**



Freedom from exploitation, violence and abuse **Article 16 CRPD**

FRA also works closely with:

- ➔ European Union institutions and international organisations
- ➔ National Human Rights Institutions and Equality Bodies
- ➔ Policy makers
- ➔ Disability experts
- ➔ Civil society representatives

FRA's disability work analyses laws and policies that impact on people with disabilities in EU Member States. FRA also interviews people with disabilities and organises focus groups with key stakeholders.

Evidence-based advice

The information collected helps EU and national policy makers promote equality and protect the rights of persons with disabilities when they make new laws and policies.

“ About 80 million EU citizens live with a disability ”

“ 1 in every 4 European adults is affected by mental health problems ”



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Helping to make fundamental rights a reality for everyone in the European Union by providing evidence-based advice.

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