

Press Release

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The International Federation for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus urges effective implementation of the new European Union Strategy for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

The International Federation for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus (IF) represents individuals with Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus (SBH) and their families. With global coverage, IF's highest value is the promotion and protection of the human rights of individuals with SBH in accordance with the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD).

The new European Union Strategy for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2021-2030 outlines the actions, which the EU intends to take to enable the full implementation of the UNCRPD. Consequently, its publication on the 3rd of March 2021 is an important event for persons with disabilities, within and beyond the EU.

IF took active part in the consultation process for the drafting of the new strategy. As a continuation of IF's mission to advocate for the wellbeing and human rights of individuals with SBH and their families worldwide, the Federation has published a statement on the new European Union Strategy for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. In this statement IF outlines how the new strategy is a step in the right direction to enable the full implementation of the UNCRPD. As well as where gaps and room for improvement remain.

You can read more about IF's analysis and recommendations of the Strategy for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in IF's statement [here](#).

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