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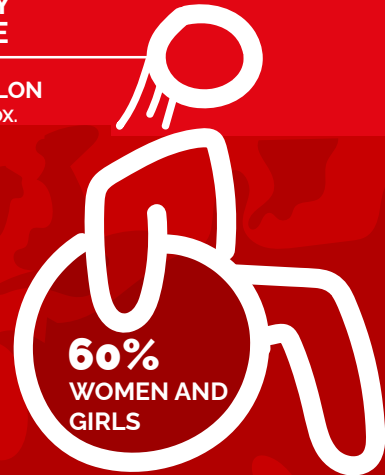
JUSTICE FOR ALL

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## IN EUROPE...

### DISABILITY IN EUROPE

**100** MILLION OF PEOPLE. APROX.



● When compared to the general population, people with disabilities face an increased risk of violence and abuse of various types, such as physical, sexual, financial or psychological.

● Difficulties experienced in combating exploitation, violence and abuse against persons with disabilities often go unreported.



### THE EU CHARTER OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

- They prohibit any discrimination on the grounds of disability.
- They recognise the right of persons with disabilities to access the justice system on an equal footing with others.
- The UN Convention, ratified by the EU and all Member States, is legally binding and directly enforceable.

### REAL AND EFFECTIVE ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES SUPPOSES THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:

- Acknowledging that all persons with disabilities have legal capacity, so they cannot be denied access to justice on the basis of their disability
- Ensuring that both the facilities and the services connected with the Administration of Justice are universally accessible.
- Guaranteeing that persons with disabilities have the right to receive information on the legal proceedings, the services and the assistance that is available to them, as well as court decisions, in a clear and accessible manner.
- The right of persons with disabilities to understand and be understood. They therefore have the right to be addressed in clear and simple language that is not excessively technical, where the manner of communication is adapted to the specific needs of the person (such as through an interpreter).
- That they have the right to be able to expect that necessary and appropriate procedural adjustments will be made that shall take into account, in addition, the age and gender perspective (older persons, children, women with disabilities...)
- They have the right to take part in the administration of justice on an equal footing with others, and to carry out essential functions such as being lawyers, judges, witnesses, members of the jury, etc...
- They are entitled to be offered free or affordable legal assistance
- Ultimately, that justice should be designed for everybody.



### IN ORDER TO REMOVE OBSTACLES IN THE WAY OF ACCESS TO JUSTICE, THE KEY ISSUES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- Awareness-raising and training in the field of disability and the rights of persons with disabilities, for all professionals involved in the justice system.
- Collaboration with people with disabilities, so that no one is left behind.
- To have statistical data on the persons with disabilities who access the justice system.
- To ensure that the digitisation of the judicial system is accessible for everyone.

### THE JUST4ALL PROJECT

- It aims to improve access to justice for persons with disabilities through awareness-raising and providing training for legal professionals in the European Union, in respect of disability issues.
- If you are a lawyer, notary, judge or a professional working in the field of justice we offer this MOOC course for you:

<https://www.aranzadi.es/curso-justforall-en>



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