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Welcome to Autism-Europe’s e-newsletter.

This newsletter is in easy-to-read language.

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You can send us ideas for the next e-newsletter.

If you have ideas, write us an email. Write to communication@autismeurope.org
Autism-Europe talked about autism and work at the European Parliament

Aurelie Baranger presented about people with autism at work.

Aurelie is the director of Autism Europe.

The presentation was on November 5 2019.

She presented at the European Parliament.
The European Parliament make laws for all people of the European Union.

Laws are rules all people must follow.

Autism Europe wants better laws for people with autism who work and want to work.

Only few people with autism in Europe work.

This is because people with autism do not get the training they need.
Also because people with autism do not always get the right help or tools or workplace to work well.

Sometimes the boss of a person with autism does not like the way people with autism generally work.

But people with autism are good at lots of things.

These things are also helpful for many workplaces.

When people with autism are good at these things they can find work or can be better at work.
But people with **autism need the right training** to find work and to be better at work.

Aurélie showed some members of the European Parliament a video about **what people with autism who want to work find difficult**.

Aurélie explained **what the European Parliament can do** to make it easy for people with autism to get a good job.

Then some members of the European Parliament said **they want to change the way people with autism find work or be better at work**.
Autism-Europe wants a better plan for people with disabilities in Europe

There is a **plan for people with disabilities** in the European Union.

The plan is to make sure that people with disabilities in Europe **get the same rights as everyone**.

**Rights** are things people can do and cannot do.

The European Union made **the plan** for people with disabilities for the years from **2010 until 2020**.
The **European Union** is a group of 28 countries from Europe that **work together to make laws**.

**Laws** are rules that people must follow.

The plan for the years from 2010 until 2020 **finished now**.

The European Union wants to know **how the plan helped people with disabilities**.

**People with autism** are also people with disabilities.
Autism Europe wants a better plan for people with autism in the European Union.

So Autism Europe wrote what it wants in the next plan for people with disabilities.

Autism Europe wants the European Union to work differently to make things easier for people with disabilities.

Autism Europe wants people with disabilities learn better, live on their own better, and get better help.

The plan for people with disabilities in the Europe must follow the rights of people with autism.
Autism Europe gave what it wants in the plan to the European Union.

The European Union wants to use the plans of Autism Europe and other groups for its next plan for people with disabilities in the European Union.

The next plan is for the years 2020 until 2030.
Autism Europe took part in the European Days of Persons with Disabilities

Every year on 3 December is International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

So on 28 and 29 November 2019 there was a meeting in Brussels, Belgium.

The meeting was about how to make the lives of persons with disabilities in Europe better.

The European Union made a plan for people with disabilities.
The European Union is a group of 28 countries from Europe that makes laws for people with disabilities.

Laws are rules that people must follow.

At the meeting, people with disabilities told the European Union that they want a better plan.

Autism Europe also wants a better plan for people with autism in the European Union.

The meeting was also about sports for persons with disabilities.
Pietro Cirrincione spoke at the meeting.

Pietro is the Vice-President of Autism Europe.

That means that he leads Autism Europe together with other members.

Pietro spoke about Romulea Autistic Football Club.

Romulea Autistic Football Club is an inclusive football team.
An inclusive football team has **players with autism and without autism.**

Romulea Autistic Football Club wants to become the **first inclusive team in the Italian league** of players without disabilities.

Some cities in the European Union won a **prize for accessibility.**

A city has **accessibility** when all people can live in it, move around and use everything without problems.

The prize is called **Access City Award.**
Marianne Thyssen from the European Union gave the award to the winners.

The city of Warsaw in Poland won the first prize because it took few time to make the city accessible and people with disabilities helped.

The city of Castelló de la Plana in Spain won the second prize.

The city of Skellefteå in Sweden won the third prize.

The city of Chania in Greece won a prize because it uses computers to help people with disabilities.
The city of **Tartu** in Estonia **won a prize** because people with disabilities said how to make the city accessible.

The city of **Evreux** in France **won a prize** because the city is accessible for people with disabilities you cannot see like autism.
Between 16 and 17 November 2019, Autism Europe members met in Brussels.

Brussels is a city in Belgium.

Almost 30 members came to the meeting.

The members at the meetings talked about the things Autism-Europe will do in the future.
Zsuzuanna Szilvasy finished as president of Autism Europe after 8 years.

Harald Neerland is now president of Autism Europe.

Autism Europe members elected Harald in December 2018 in Brussels.

The Autism Europe members thanked Evelyne Friedel, Maria Wroniszewska, Pietro Cirrincione and Claude Schmit for their work.

Autism-Europe members talked about how people with autism can learn better.
The members talked about how people with autism can better get work.

The members talked about what people with autism need for a better health.

Autism Europe taught its members how they can explain this needs to the United Nations and the European Union.

The United Nations is an organization of countries all over the world.

The European Union is a group of 28 countries from Europe that work together to make laws.
The United Nations and the European Union *make laws* that can *improve the life of people with autism*.

Laws are rules that people must follow.

Anne Freulon presented the results of the *Autism Europe Congress*.

Anne is a *member of Autism Europe and Autisme France*.

Autisme France organized the Congress this year.
Everybody was very satisfied with the results of the congress.

The Autism Europe Congress took place in September 2019.

Suncica Petrovic presented a project.

Suncica is a member of Autism Europe.

The project is called the DE ENIGMA.
The project is about how a robot can help children with autism with their skills.

Autism Europe worked on this project the last four years.

The project is now finished.

After the meeting, some people with autism from Belgium met at the Autism Europe office.

The people with autism from Belgium said it is difficult to get a doctor that says they have autism.
They said it is difficult to get work, to learn better and to get help.

Autism Europe wants better help for people with autism as well.
We hope you have enjoyed reading this!

On this publication we follow the advice of the organisation Inclusion Europe.

We follow their guidelines to make the easy to read version of our e-newsletter.

This way we make sure the information is as clear as possible.
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