



Autism-Europe improves
the quality of life of autistic people

E-newsletter- February 2021



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easy to read!



Editorial



Welcome to
Autism-Europe's e-newsletter.



This newsletter is
in **easy-to-read** language.

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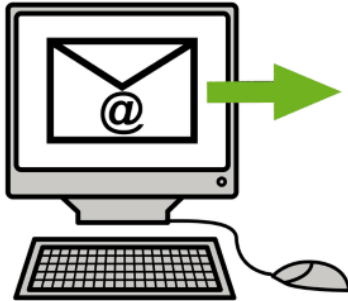
In this newsletter you will find
2 articles.



The first article on page number 4
is about the Convention
on the Rights of Persons
with Disabilities



The **second article on page number 9** is about respecting the rights of workers with disabilities.



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

If you have ideas, **write us an email**.
Write to communication@autismeurope.org



10 years ago we said yes to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities



The **Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities** is very important.



We call it the **CRPD** for short!



The CRPD is a **document** that shows the rights of people with disabilities.



People with disabilities **include** people with autism.



“**Rights**” mean things you can and cannot do.



The **United Nations** wrote the document.



The United Nations **harmonises the actions of countries** around the world.



The CRPD says that people with disabilities have **the same rights** as other people.



In December 2010, **the European Union ratified the CRPD.**



The **European Union** is a group of 27 countries in Europe.



To “**ratify**” means that the European **agreed to follow the rules** in the Convention.



It means that the European Union **said yes** to the things in the Convention.



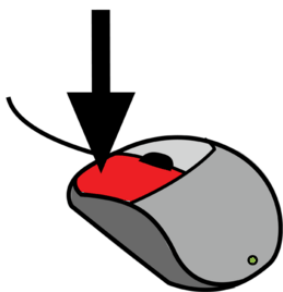
It was a **very important moment!**



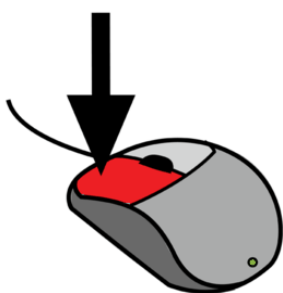
Today **all 27 countries** of the European Union **have said yes** to the CRPD.



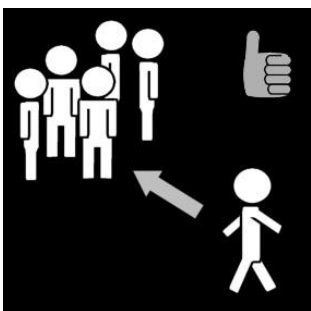
This means that **now**
all countries in the European Union
agree to what the CRPD says.



Click [here](#) to read
the **CRPD document**
in **Easy-to-read format**.



Click [here](#) to **watch videos**
about the CRPD.



Autism-Europe works together with
other organisations
to **see if the European Union follows**
the rules of the CRPD.



We try to make sure
the European Union **really respects**
people with disabilities.



We want people with disabilities
to do the same things
as other people.



The European Union works to respect the rights of workers with disabilities



Too many persons with disabilities **do not have a job** in the European Union.



They are **treated worse** than other people **because of their disability**.



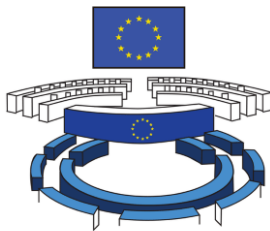
It is called **discrimination**.



The European Union wants
to **change this situation**.



The **European Union** is a group of 27
countries from Europe.



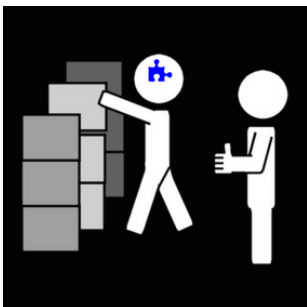
The European Parliament helps to
make laws for all people
in the European Union.



Laws are rules all people must follow.



Katrin Langensiepen is a member
of the European Parliament.



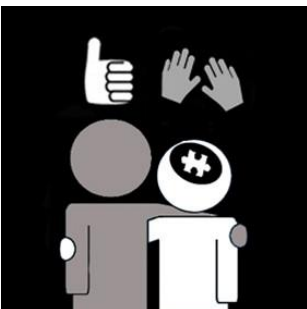
She wants companies
**to handle workers with disabilities
like other workers.**



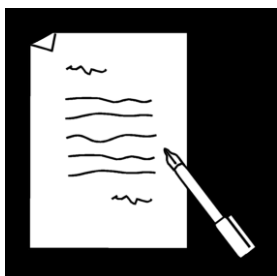
Autism-Europe wants the same.



Katrin asked Autism-Europe
and other organisations
**how companies have to handle
people with disabilities.**



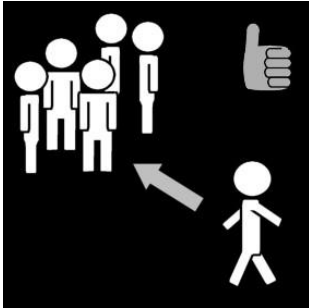
Autism-Europe shared
**what people with autism need
to work like other workers.**



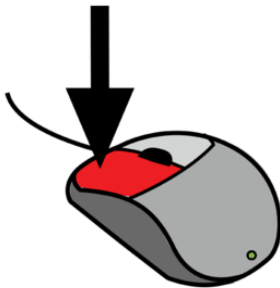
Katrin wrote all she heard
from Autism-Europe
and other organisations.



She wrote it on a **report**.



All organisations agreed on the need of
respect the rights
of workers with disabilities.



Click [here](#)
to read **the report**.

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Go to **page 5** for the
Easy-to-read version.



Members of the European Parliament
that work with Katrin
voted the report in February 2021.



Everybody thinks that
the report is a good thing.



In March 2021, the rest of the
European Parliament members
will talk about the report.



They will decide
if the European Union
needs new laws to respect the rights
of workers with disabilities.



A “**law**” is a rule that everyone
has to respect.



About this e-newsletter



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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