## AE in numbers

AE has been active since 1983

> AE represents an estimated 7 million people throughout Europe

AE is made up of almost **90** member associations from 38 different countries

> At least **32** countries have actively supported AE's campaign in 2019

AE International Congress was attended by 2000

delegates in 2019









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We have come a long way since we began in 1983, but much work remains to be done to ensure the full implementation of autistic people's **rights** and their effective participation in society on an equal footing with others.

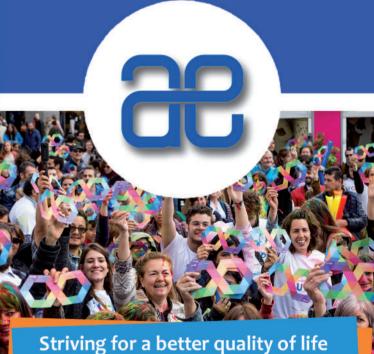
We are founding member of:







# Autism Europe



for autistic people and their families





### **About us**

Autism-Europe (AE) is an organisation comprised of almost 90 member organisations from 38 different countries. AE advocates for the respect of autistic people's rights, including access to:

- · Timely diagnosis;
- · Lifelong support and evidence-based interventions;
- · Adapted general healthcare;
- · Education:
- · Training and employment;
- · Housing and living support in the community;
- · Protection from discrimination;
- Social inclusion.

**Self-advocates and parents** play a central role in our organisation to ensure the views and interests of autistic people are adequately reflected in our work.

We are recognised by the European Institutions as the voice of people on the autism spectrum and their families in Europe.

Our main objective is the **full realisation of the rights of autistic people**, notably through the implementation of the **UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities (UNCRPD)**.

### Our work

#### We work with our members to:

- Advocate for the rights of autistic people before the European Institutions;
- Advocate for European legislation and policies that comply with the UNCRPD;
- Promote appropriate support for people on the autism spectrum in every aspect of life;
- Promote the exchange of information, good practices and experience;
- Promote awareness and understanding of autism.

We hold our triennial international congress to share the latest research and best practices regarding, for example, therapies, support, social inclusion, and service provision.

We publish our LINK Magazine, e-newsletters, research reports, position papers and toolkits to advocate for the rights of people on the autism spectrum.

Each year, AE works together with its member organisations in conducting awareness raising campaigns around World Autism Awareness Day (April 2).



#### Your help is invaluable.

There are many ways to support our association and our projects, such as:

- Becoming a member (as an individual or an organisation);
- Subscribing to our biannual LINK magazine and to our e-newsletter (English and French versions available);
- · Following us on social media channels;
- · Fundraising to support AE;
- · Sponsoring AE on behalf of a business;
- Volunteering and using your skills to contribute to a worthwhile cause.
- Donating either using PayPal by visiting our website, or making a bank transfer.

Please note that we are committed to working according to the **principles of transparency and good administration.** 



