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Disabled People's International (DPI)

In partnership with

**The Permanent Mission of Ecuador,
Australian Federation of Disability Organizations (AFDO), CBM International, Global Initiative
for Inclusive ICTs (G3ict), Institute on Disability and Public Policy (IDPP), World Blind Union
(WBU), World Enabled & Zero Project**

Invite you to attend the side-event on

DIGITAL ACCESSIBILITY: STRATEGIES FOR DISABILITY INCLUSION IN E- GOVERNANCE PLATFORMS (BEST PRACTICES FROM THE GLOBAL NORTH AND GLOBAL SOUTH)

Tuesday, 11 June, 2019 from 3:00 PM to 4:15 PM
Conference Room B, UN Headquarters

Knowledge accessibility is as an essential mechanism for leveraging opportunities for inclusion of people with disabilities in decision-making and maintaining productive engagement in socio-economic development. Thus, the side-event aims to address development in the field of knowledge accessibility bringing experts to share their experiences with digital accessibility, present their vision, goals, and strategies for enhancement of mechanisms of digital accessibility, and to discuss strategies and mechanisms for tackling ongoing challenges that continue to hinder expansion of inclusive e-governance platforms for disabled people at local, national, regional, and international level.

The panel will share the results of the DPI-G3ict survey on digital accessibility including presentation on the Digital Accessibility Rights Evaluation Index (DARE Index) and CBM's toolkit pertaining to the City for All campaign through the DAIUD network and good practices and research in the said area.

Moderator:

Mrs. Henrietta Davis-Wray, Acting Chairperson, Disabled Peoples' International (DPI)

Panelists:

Dr. Michael Fembek, Programm-Manager, Essl Foundation

Ms. Francesca Cesa Bianchi, Vice President (Institutional Relations), G3ict

Ms. Nirmita Narasimhan, Senior Fellow / Program Director Asia-Pacific, G3ict

Dr. Derrick L. Cogburn, Executive Director, IDPP

Mr. Hannes Lagrelius, Accessibility Officer - Smart Cities Programme, WBU & Member, DAIUD

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