

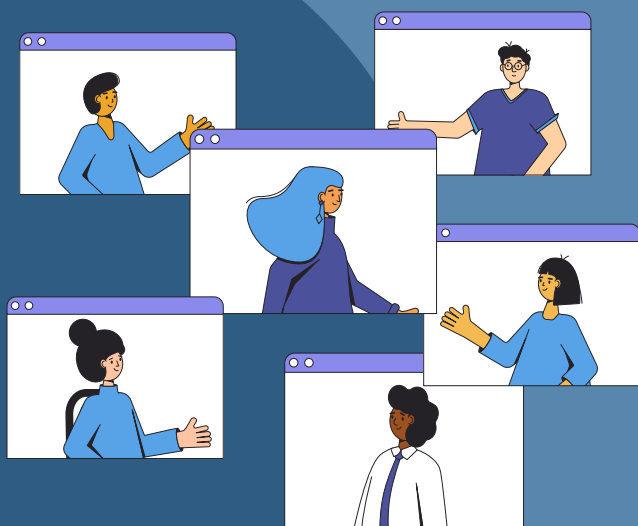
INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN LIGHT OF THE NEW EUROPEAN DISABILITY STRATEGY

IN-CUBA PROJECT DISSEMINATION CONFERENCE

21/06/2021 – ZOOM
9:15 - 14:00 (CEST)

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Entrepreneurship is rarely thought about for people with **intellectual disability**. Even if there is an openness to supporting people's ideas and ambitions, setting up and management may be seen as a heavy burden, and the necessary support to do so very difficult to find.

Sometimes, however, what is needed is just a **change of perspective** to expand the concept of enterprise to embrace something creative, personally fulfilling and validating that is attempted or undertaken, particularly if it requires boldness or courage. Then you need a group of visionary partners that are not afraid of breaking barriers and are willing to involve users and their families in a new adventure; one that develops an **"incubator"** methodology focussed on people with intellectual disability and based on the principles of co-production.

That was our starting point. Three years, and several focus groups later, we are ready to present the **results** of this adventure together with the **voice of its protagonists**. The moment is particularly apposite as we have just seen the launch of the new **European Disability Strategy**, which will provide a strong framework for all the EU initiatives in these fields in the next ten years.

We are therefore happy to invite you to the **IN-CUBA Conference** to **discuss Disability and Entrepreneurship** through the initiatives carried out within this Project, present the results of this action, and foster exchanges between all the stakeholders involved: organisations from the social sector, incubators, educators, users, representatives of the public sector, and policy makers.

9h15

Welcoming speech by Raymond Ceccotto (ARFIE)

9h30

Bridging disability and entrepreneurship: The IN-CUBA Methodology

Presentation: Christelle Mescolini (APEMH) / Federico Camporesi (ARFIE)

Discussants: Roger Banks (NHS England), Alberto Alberani (Legacoop Sociali), Francesca Cavallini (TICE University)

10h30

The road to incubation: how a very committed partnership tackled entrepreneurship for people with intellectual disability: Users involved present their experiences during the IN-CUBA project

Presentations: APEMH (LU) | AMPANS (ES) | CADIAI (IT) | DeLork - HUBBIE (BE) | OPenGroup (IT) | FENACERCI (PT)

11h45

Q&A

12h00

Break

Round Table - People with Intellectual Disability as Entrepreneurs - enabling personal dreams and opportunities in light of the new European Disability Strategy and the challenges of the labour market and independent living.

Catherine Naughton - European Disability Forum - EDF

Giuseppe Guerini - CECOP - EESC

Susanne Kraatz - Policy Officer, European Commission, DG EMPL Unit C3: Disability and Inclusion

Tilly Metz - European Parliament, Greens Group

Marco Estanqueiro - Luxembourg Ministry of Labour

Marco Lombardo - Deputy Major Bologna Municipality

Chair: Ludmilla Petit (OPALE)

12h15

13h30

Q&A

14h

End of the meeting



Conference Moderator: Ludmilla Petit (OPALE)