

Hear our voices!

**European conference of self-advocates
Graz, 2019**



Our Voices Count!

**What self-advocates
from 18 European countries
said...**

Messages from the workshops

**Why is it important
to take part?**

Taking part

- **We are citizens like all others**
- **People are people**
- **A community that includes people with disabilities, includes everyone**
- **If we are visible people will know how to talk and include us**
- **It's our lives. We should have a say.**

What do we need?

We need:

- **Support when needed**
- **People that really represent us in politics**
- **Information that is easy to read and understand**
- **Accessible cities and towns**
- **To be connected with each other**
- **Opportunities**
- **Politicians on our side**
- **A place where we can take our needs – and that tries to solve them**
- **Respect for ability, not pity for disability**
- **To stay strong together!**

**What do we
demand?**

We demand

- **The right to vote**
- **To be included**
- **To get accessible information**
- **To get real jobs and real pay**
- **To have the same opportunities**
- **The right to self-determination**
- **That all institutions are closed**

We demand

- **Punishment for the countries that are not respecting the Convention**
- **Money to invest in people, not in institutions**
- **Justice for all**
- **Respect! Talk to us directly.**

**What do we have to
offer?**

We can offer:

- **Training for politicians and decision-makers**
- **Adaptation of information to easy to read**
- **Expertise. We are the experts!**

We want to hear more!

Let's all hear your voices!