



# Bridging the Gap II launch:

*“Inclusive Policies and Services for the  
Equal Rights of Persons with Disabilities”*

**When:** 12 July 2018

**Where:** Mosaic Hotel  
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia





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Moderator: *Yetnebersh Nigussie, Disability Advocate*

9:00 **Reflection from the disability movement**

- **Dagnatchew Wakenne**, *African Disability Alliance*

9:10 **Welcome remarks**

- **Eric Habers**, Head of Cooperation, *EU Delegation to Ethiopia*
- **Astrid Wein**, Head of Office, *Austrian Embassy Development Coordination Office (ADA)*

9:30 **Opening speech**

- **H.E. Hirut Woldemariam**, Minister, *Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (MoLSA)*

9:40 **Keynote speech**

- **Ahunna Eziakonwa-Onochie**, UN Resident Coordinator and UN Humanitarian Coordinator, *UN Resident Coordinators Office Ethiopia*

9:55 **Presentation of the project Bridging the Gap**

- **Carmen Serrano**, *Bridging the Gap II, Communication Officer*
- **Pia Korpinen**, *Bridging the Gap II, ADA, Project coordinator Ethiopia*

10:15 **Inclusive performance**

- **Destino Dance Company**

10:30 **Refreshments**

11:00 **Workshop “Including persons with disabilities in Ethiopia”**

Moderator: **Dagnatchew Wakenne**, *African Disability Alliance, TBC*

- Disability data collection: **Fantahun Melles**, *ILO, TBC*
- Disability and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): **Berhanu Tefera**, *African Development Forum*
- Disability and Social Protection: Inclusion in the Productive Safety Net Programme (PSNP): **Getachew Berhanu/or Addis Yibzawork**, *UNICEF, TBC*

*Plenary discussion*

13:00 **Lunch**