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Supported Employment Definition

Providing support to people with disabilities or other disadvantaged groups to secure and maintain paid employment in the open labour market.

EUSE 2005
WHY IT IS NEEDED

- UNCRPD in particular Article 27
- Inclusion agenda
EUROPEAN UNION OF SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT – WHERE WE ARE NOW

- Continuously growing in membership 23 countries as full members; 3 new countries as associate members

- Elections in Lisbon 2015 New Office Bearers
  Margaret Haddock – President.
  Bertil Johansson – Vice President (Sweden)
  Luc Henau – Vice President (Belgium)
  Dermot Cunningham – Vice President (Ireland)
  Katerina Katsouda – Vice President (Greece)
  Edyth Dunlop – Secretariat (Northern Ireland)
Since UN Convention there appears to be a raised awareness of Supported Employment as a pathway to inclusion.

Supported Employment remains the “poor relation” against other interventions for people with disability.

European Directives are interpreted differently across National Countries leading to confusion and concern.

Government Ministers and MEP’s believe it is a “new way of working” – not recognising 30+years of work across regions – Education Required in new formats – social media.

Supported Employment Professionals face the dilemma of making Supported Employment fit the National funded programmes. Examples of this include “you MUST work more than......hours” or Support can only last for ...... Months.
SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT – IS IT ALIVE AND KICKING ACROSS EUROPE?

- Continuous growth of national countries wishing to implement.
- Shift in emerging countries who are setting up services not Sheltered Workshops but Supported Employment Services from the outset.
- Discussions now in European Parliament as to how we change the landscape to meet the UN Convention
- European Union of Supported Employment needs to strengthen the policy debate.
- The Profession of supported employment is now being developed to lift standards across Europe – eg. BASE and NIUSE – work needs done for a transferable qualification to enable labour mobility of professionals.
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ARE WE ALIVE AND KICKING - YES!!!!!
EUSE PERCEIVED CHALLENGES: -

- Funding for Supported Employment versus other interventions
- Supported Employment should be overseen by Ministry of Employment in National Countries
- Supported Employment should sit within a Policy Framework
- Produce Nationwide Statistics – business case
- Innovation is now required to work with new partners who provided segregated services and to assist in the transition of service provision – EUSE has partnered EASPD, EDF, Inclusion Europe
- Ensuring Choice is available for all
- Ensure EUSE finds funding to continue to represent Europe as a whole and to lead on the policy debate
- Ensuring we all partner with the RIGHT people – value base
CELEBRATE!!!!

- Many challenges but we can provide the solutions
- Partnership working at all levels
- Share and communicate Best Practice at National, Continental and World Level.
- Involvement of disabled people.
Next Big Event
Event Details

- www.employmentforall2017.com
ON SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT
EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL - A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE
14TH - 16TH JUNE 2017
BELFAST 2017

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AT 16.00 HRS GMT

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European Association of Service Providers for Persons with Disabilities

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Canadian Association for Supported Employment
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