

## DIZABNET FORUM

The Annual Forum of Social Service Providers for People with Disabilities

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### REPORT

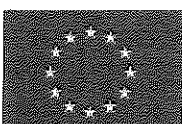
Dizabnet - [www.disabnet.ro](http://www.disabnet.ro) - the Romanian network of service providers for persons with disabilities, with the support of EASPD organized on 2013, November 27-28, in Bucharest, the *Annual Forum of Service Providers for People with Disabilities focused this year for discussing the Romanian Strategy 2014-2020 for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.*

The Forum's work began on Wednesday, 2013, November 27 when Andreia Moraru, development director of Alpha Transilvania Foundation and Bernadette Grosyeux, Vice-President of EASPD welcomed the 65 representatives of private and public service providers, of most important organizations of persons with disabilities from all over the country and highlighted the need of networking for information exchange and advocacy in the field of social service providers especially for disabled persons. Both reinforced the idea that only together public and private service providers can have a greater impact on their beneficiaries and highlighted that Dizabnet proved during 2012 that it may be one way to join forces. Mrs. Moraru also presented the Forum's agenda and tackled the consequences that will occur after Romania adopted the Strategy 2014-2020 for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities according with the UN Convention for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (ratified on 2010). Also, she started the specific discussions about transforming the Dizabnet from informal network to formalized entity.

On the agenda followed two presentations by Ms. Diana Chiriacescu, independent expert about some of the most important legal implication of UN Convention for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and by Ms. Sabrina Ferraina, Policy Officer at EASPD about the EASPD goals and activities both on European level, but also at national level.

The Forum's work continued on Thursday, 2013, November 28 with a second presentation of Diana Chiriacescu about different sorts of strategies on disability field: European Strategy 2010-2020, Strategies on disability from different European Countries, The Objectives of the Millennium on Disability etc.

Also, in purpose to provide a tangible input were organized four workshops related to the most important general directions of the Romanian Strategy 2014-2020: Accessibility, Education, Employment and Deinstitutionalization.





Before the closing the event the Vice-Director of the Directorate for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Mr. Iulian Aldea presented the schedule on 2013-2014 of public discussions and working groups for finalizing the Romanian Strategy 2014-2020 for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the corresponding Action Plan.

Up to date information about the Dizabnet network and social services for people with disabilities in Romania can be found on the following website: [www.disabnet.ro](http://www.disabnet.ro).

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