



## *Symposion*

*Supported and assisted parenthood – A missing link to implement human rights for persons with disabilities*

2019-09-10 9:00-12:00 a.m.

CBMF Ausstellungsstraße 40/Top 3

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### **Symposion on human dignity and human rights, 2019-09-10 9.00-12.00 a.m.**

#### **Supported and assisted parenthood – A missing link to implement human rights for persons with disabilities**

Supported and assisted parenthood are keys to implementing the UN Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities (CRPD Art 23).

There are still very few parents with disabilities in Austria living with personal assistance and even less with supported parenthood.

Support for parents with disabilities and their children, is still mainly provided by families and neighbours.

Self-advocates and NGO's are promoting human rights for persons with disabilities for over 10 years but commitment to implementing Art 23 CRPD (The respect for home and the family) is still lacking.

Also the Austrian ombudsman board criticised widely neglected parents rights in cases of out-of-home-care<sup>1</sup>.

The Symposium invites parents with disabilities and experts in the field to share their expertise and experiences in several short inputs.

We will then work in groups and facilitate knowledge transfer and the exchange of views and hold a concluding panel discussion to focus on the findings of the Symposium.

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<sup>1</sup> Sonderbericht der Volksanwaltschaft 2017 „Kinder und Ihre Rechte in Einrichtungen“ S 25 ff <http://volksanwaltschaft.gv.at/artikel/ein-besonderes-anliegen-schutz-von-kindern-und-jugendlichen>



## Program: Symposion on Assisted and Supported Parenthood

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830	Arriving	Coffe
9:00-9:10	Opening words obds, cmbf and Ombudsman for people with disabilities	Kaufmann obds, Widl, chairman CMBF, Hans-Jörg Hofer Ombudsman
9:10-9:15	Introduction program	Hanl, Kaufmann
9:15-9:30	Good Practice: Working together with Parents Network	Beth Tarleton, Bristol <a href="http://www.bristol.ac.uk/sps/people/beth-j-tarleton/index.html">http://www.bristol.ac.uk/sps/people/beth-j-tarleton/index.html</a> )
9:30-9:45	<b>Research on parenting with learning difficulties in Austria – starting to fill the void</b>	Rahel More, Klagenfurt (Videopresentation) <a href="https://www.aau.at/team/more-rahel/">https://www.aau.at/team/more-rahel/</a>
9:45-10:00	Jugend am Werk Steiermark: Learning by Doing	Elke Maurer, Graz <a href="https://jaw.or.at/ueber-uns/mitarbeiterinnenebersicht/?mitarbeiter=2137">https://jaw.or.at/ueber-uns/mitarbeiterinnenebersicht/?mitarbeiter=2137</a>
10:00-10:45	Working Groups Networking and defining next steps for the implementation of CRPD Art. 23 and sharing experiences and finding questions for the panel discussion	1. Networking working group, Input Karin Astegger (EASPD), discussing next steps on European level Other working groups find questions for the following panel discussion 2. Sharing experiences, working group 3. Concepts-key elements, working group (if requested: 4. Assisted parenship, sharing experiences 5. Supported Parenthood, sharing experiences)
10:45-11:00	Coffe break	
11:00-11:45	Panel Diskussion with speakers and expiereinced parents	Hans-Jörg Hofer, Austrian ombudsman for people with disabilities <a href="http://www.behindertenanwalt.gv.at/behindertenanwalt">http://www.behindertenanwalt.gv.at/behindertenanwalt</a> Bernadette Feuerstein, chairwoman Independent Living Austria ( <a href="https://www.sliö.at/vorstand">https://www.sliö.at/vorstand</a> ) Oswald Föllerer, Center for Self Advoccy, Vienna ( <a href="https://svz.wien/index.php/unsere-team">https://svz.wien/index.php/unsere-team</a> )
11:50-12:00	Closing Words	Obds