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Webinar

COVID-19, institutionalisation of persons with disabilities and the right to truth

4 March 2021 (15:00 – 16:30 CET)

As attention on the impact of COVID-19 on persons in institutionalised settings increases, the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI) and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) will co-host a webinar on institutionalisation of persons with disabilities and the right to truth.

The webinar seeks to explore the right to truth as a deinstitutionalisation advocacy tool. Specifically, institutionalisation as a 'serious human rights violation' with particular focus on the impact of COVID-19 on persons within institutionalised settings will be explored. The content of the right to truth and how this can be achieved in relation to institutionalised settings will be discussed, as will any best practices related to transparency and monitoring of institutionalised settings. The role of NHRIs in this context will also be explored.

Speaker list includes:

- **Facundo Chavez**, Human Rights and Disability Advisor at OHCHR
- **Bhargavi Davar**, Transforming Communities for the Inclusion of Persons with Psychosocial Disabilities
- **Fabián Salvioli**, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence
- **Eric Rosenthal**, Founder and Executive Director of Disability Rights International
- **Kriti Sharma**, Senior Researcher in the Disability Rights Division at Human Rights Watch
- **Ekaterine Skhiladze**, Chair of the ENNHRI CRPD Working Group

Captioning and international sign interpretation will be provided throughout the webinar.

This webinar is funded by the UNPRPD.

To attend the event, please [register here](#).

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