



Global Ph.D/Post-Doctoral and Post Graduate Researchers

Colloquium on Disability Law and Policy

Hosted by
Consortium of Academic Centres
on Disability Law and Policy (CDLP)

Initial Call for Papers

26-27 April 2010

About the Colloquium

A consortium of three leading national and international academic centres will host an inaugural colloquium for PhD candidates and post-doctoral/post-graduate researchers on disability law and policy. The three centres are:

- The **Centre for Disability Law and Policy** (www.nuigalway.ie/cdlp, National University of Ireland, Galway)
- The **Burton Blatt Institute** (<http://bbi.syr.edu>, Syracuse University)
- The Richard Crossman Chair of Social Welfare & Social Planning, **University of Haifa** (Israel).

The Centre for Disability Law and Policy at NUI, Galway, will host the initial colloquium from 26-27 April 2010. It will rotate to the other centres thereafter.

Research on disability law and policy reform has never been more urgent given the imperative of the **United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities**. This two-day event will play a significant part in bringing together an emerging community of scholars in the disability field whose ideas will shape the reform agenda for years to come.

The consortium accordingly invites submissions for consideration from PhD candidates and post-doctoral/post-graduate researchers (including JDs) from around the world for papers for the two-day colloquium. The focus will be on law and public policy challenges and opportunities in implementing the new UN convention. It is likely selected papers will be published in an edited volume or special journal issue.

Focus / Subject Areas

Depending on the response to the call for papers, the colloquium may include, but not be limited to, the following subject areas:

- Implementation strategies for the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, and ties to state law,

- Regional law reform and policy challenges in the field of disability (e.g. Asia, Middle East, Africa, Latin America, North America, Europe),
- Law reform options with respect to legal capacity law,
- Legislative, regulatory and policy options to achieve in areas such as:
 1. Independent Living
 2. Economic Independence
 3. Entrepreneurship
 4. Social and Civic Participation
 5. Stigma and Discrimination
- Development aid and disability – international co-operation,
- Providing an effective legal and policy basis for inclusive education,
- The information revolution and disability – achieving eAccessibility,
- The built environment – access and universal design,
- Assistive technology developments, research, and markets,
- Employment and disability – the use/limits of non-discrimination and other social policy tools,
- Immigration and asylum law and policy issues,
- The mental health field and the disability field – continuities and discontinuities,
- Issues facing war veterans with disabilities and their families.

Deadline for Abstracts Submission

January 31, 2010 - Abstracts should be included in the application form below and emailed to disabilitycolloquium@nuigalway.ie

Contact for More Information

For further information, please see the contact details below. If you have any specific requirements, do not hesitate to contact the Event Office.

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**Application Form / Call for
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