

## Final programme

### Conference

### Optimising strategies for integrating people with disabilities into work

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- 10.00 Word of welcome  
*Brigitte van Lierop, Institute for Rehabilitation Research (iRv), The Netherlands*
- 10.10 Introduction by the Chair of the day  
*Robert Anderson, European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Ireland*
- 10.20 Key issues on the Employment for People with Disabilities in Europe  
*Nigel Meager, Institute on Employment Studies, UK*
- 10.45 Optiwork: The economic case for action  
*David McDaid, London School of Economics and Political Science and European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, UK*
- 11.30 Coffee break
- 11.45 The Optiwork approach  
*Donal McAnaney, Ireland*
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 Parallel workshops
- 14.30 Coffee break
- 15.00 Report on workshops  
*Jan Spooren, European Platform for Rehabilitation, Belgium*
- 15.15 Panel discussion led by Robert Anderson with key stakeholders
- Wallis Goelen, Head of Disability Unit within DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, European Commission, Belgium
  - Carlotta Besozzi, European Disability Forum, Belgium
  - Susan Scott Parker, Employers' Forum on Disability, UK
  - David McDaid, London School of Economics and Political Science and European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, UK
- 16.15 Closing remarks by Donal McAnaney
- 16.30 Reception