

Action for inclusive sustainable development

COSP 2020 Online



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United Nations



The United Nations is an organisation made up of governments from 193 countries.

The **United Nations** is called the **UN**.



The role of the UN is to make the world safe and peaceful.

The UN makes laws to protect your human rights and freedom.



The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities is a law that protects and promotes the rights of people with disability.

The Convention is called **CRPD** for short.

The Convention



The CRPD says you have the same rights and opportunities as other people.



- You must be respected
- You can make your own choices
- Discrimination is never OK



You have the right to

- Be included in your community
- Speak up and say what you want

Conference of State Parties



The Conference of State Parties is the biggest disability meeting in the world.

It is called **COSP** for short.



COSP is a meeting where governments talk about how to implement the CRPD.

People from civil society attend COSP.



Civil society is non-government organisations that include people with a disability.

At COSP we talk about ways to make things better for people with disability.

COSP 2020

This year the theme for COSP is a decade of action and delivery for inclusive sustainable development.

COSP is online this year due to COVID-19.



The conference will focus on

1. The right to work



2. Older people with disability



3. Inclusive environments

We will also talk about the impact of COVID-19.

Committee



There is a Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

It is their job is to check how countries are doing at protecting your rights.



Robert Martin from New Zealand is on the Committee.

Robert is the first person with intellectual disability to be on the committee.



Robert says he wont be the last.

Include people with intellectual disability



For people with intellectual disability to be included we need

 Self-advocacy skills to speak up and make choices



 Information that is easy to read and understand



 Support to take part in meetings and events like COSP

