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Peschiera del Garda (Verona), 8-9 november 2007

Aim of the Conference

The aim of the conference is to agree upon guidelines for the rescue of persons with disabilities in case of disaster as well as the elaboration of the Verona Charter which should contain general principles concerning the rescue of persons with disabilities in case of disaster. The Conference will promote a constructive discussion among international stakeholders and will facilitate exchange of their experiences.

The Charter would not intend to lay down new rights with legal value. Rather, the aim of the Charter will be to tie existing fundamental liberties and principles together and render them more visible to citizens and institutions.

Background Information

In December 2005, the **European Commission** (DG Environment - Directorate A: Communication, Legal Affairs and Civil Protection) has awarded ULSS20 Verona a grant for the co-financed project "**Rescuing Injured Disabled persons in case of Disasters - Civil Protection's Challenge in the Challenge**" (Grant Agreement 07.030601/2005/423643/SUB/A5).

As has emerged from recent dramatic experiences, persons with disabilities are the most at risk in case of disasters of any typology. With this in mind, the above-mentioned project aims at identifying and establishing shared guidelines and recommendations for efficiently and effectively responding to the needs of persons with disabilities in the case of disasters.

ULSS 20 Verona collaborates with a multi-sectoral team of partners and supporters at European level such as National and Local Civil Protections Units, Fire Brigades, Emergency Systems Units, Social Services and Associations for the persons with disabilities for the implementation of the foreseen activities.

The final workshop foreseen in the project "Rescuing Injured Disabled Persons in case of Disaster: Civil Protection's Challenge in the Challenge" will be held in the form of a Consensus Conference addressed to the discussion and signature of a document: **the Verona Charter on the Rescue of Persons with Disabilities in case of disaster**. The event is promoted by ULSS 20 Verona in collaboration with the project partners.

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Organisation



ULSS 20 Verona is responsible for the organisation of the conference in co-operation with the Italian Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Department of Civil Protection in coordination with the European Commission through the RDD project.

The secretariat of the conference will be run by the Office for International Relations of ULSS 20 Verona (Italy). E-mail: rdd_veronacharter@ulss20.verona.it

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Collaborations



Participants (Upon invitation)

International delegates from Civil Protections, Social Services, Emergency Services, International agencies and Associations representing the disabled and human rights.

Venue

Parc Hotel Italia

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