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The EuRADE Project

European Research Agendas for Disability Equality

- European Community Funding for Research – The 7th Framework Programme
- Science in Society Programme

Funds projects which are designed to encourage the involvement of civil society organisations in research

EuRADE

- **Key goal:** build capacity of disabled people's organisations to participate in EC funded research

Sub-Goals:

- To Enable EDF and its members to identify and provide information on the research priorities of disabled people's organisations
- To provide training and information on research knowledge and skills to disabled people's organisations
- To identify opportunities for research collaboration between academics and disabled people's organisations

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Focus of project: Equality and Non-Discrimination – understood very broadly

Partners: EDF (coordinator), Leeds University (UK), Maastricht University (NLs)

Duration: Feb. 2008 – Aug. 2009

EuRADE sub-goal 1 (1)

- To enable EDF and its members to identify and provide information on the research priorities of disabled people's organisations
 - Reviewing EDF policy documents to identify key goals
 - Reflecting on how research could contribute to achieving those goals
 - Publication by EDF of key research goals
 - Consultation with disabled people's organisations to identify research priorities

EuRADE sub-goal 1 (2)

- End goal: A document which identifies what the research priorities are for disabled people's organisations

How will we use this document?

- Informing European Commission - can take account of these goals when deciding what research to fund in the future
- Informing academics of the research priorities

EuRADE sub-goal 2

- To provide training and information on research knowledge and skills to disabled people's organisations

How to achieve this?

- A residential research knowledge summer school in Leeds (UK) at end July 2008
- Offer individuals the possibility to follow an online course on more advanced disability research methods and project design
- Funding individuals to attend academic research conferences

EuRADE sub-goal 3

- To identify opportunities for research collaboration between academics and disabled people's organisations
 - Identify new research collaborations on disability equality and non-discrimination which potentially qualify for funding by the EC
 - Facilitate meetings between disabled people's organisations and selected research partners
 - Produce initial outlines / framework for possible research in the future

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