

**Question for written answer E-006108/2020
to the Commission**

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Subject: Erasmus and persons with disabilities

The Erasmus programme is a building block of the European project, and one which affords it cohesion. However, many people with disabilities are discriminated against in that they cannot take advantage of it on equal terms with other students.

The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), ratified by the EU and part of its legal order, can be invoked before political, judicial and administrative authorities. In its concluding observations, the CRPD Committee states:

'The Committee recommends that the EU assess the current situation and take measures to facilitate access to and enjoyment of quality and inclusive education by pupils with disabilities.'

People with disabilities should be able to access and enjoy the Erasmus programme without exclusion and in line with EU principles of equality.

To make this a reality, sufficient funds and human and technological support are required, the programme must be made to be inclusive and the participation of students with disabilities needs to be promoted.

1. What measures does the Commission envisage to better accommodate students with disabilities in the Erasmus programme?
2. What budget is available to accommodate such students within the programme?
3. What measures does the Commission envisage to ensure the universal accessibility of European universities?