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“A journey to strengthened cooperation between the international, regional and national human rights mechanisms on implementing the CRPD and SDGs”



“Increasing cooperation between all international and regional bodies is essential to enable us to better honour and defend the enjoyment of human rights by the world’s people...the United Nations and regional human rights mechanisms must complement each other, support each other and work closely together for a common end.”

United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Zeid Ra'ud Al Hussein

Objectives

- Strengthen cooperation between international and regional human rights mechanisms towards implementation of the CRPD & SDGs
- Enhance awareness of States and stakeholders of the role and actions of regional human rights bodies in the promotion and protection of the rights of persons with disabilities and the SDGs
- Enhance cooperation with organizations of persons with disabilities, national institutions and NGOs

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Moderator

Mr. Danlami Basharu,

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Welcome Remarks

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Closing Remarks

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