



9th
*Annual Disability
Empowerment*
Conference

**“Innovating for Inclusion: Shaping
the Future of Special Needs and
Disability Compliance”**

21st – 22nd August 2025

**Radisson Blu, Gautrain Hotel
Sandton South Africa.**

Conference Introduction

Welcome to the 9th Annual Special Needs and Disability Compliance Conference, to be hosted by Premier Knowledge. This year's conference will be held at the prestigious Radisson Blu in Sandton on August 21st and 22nd, 2025. Our conference aims to bring together professionals, advocates, and policymakers to discuss the latest trends, challenges, and advancements in the field of disability inclusion and empowerment.

As we look beyond 2025, the disability landscape continues to evolve. This conference will provide a platform to explore innovative solutions, share good practices, and discuss new developments in the legal and policy space that require that we adjust our thinking, systems, and way of doing things. Attendees will have the opportunity to engage with leading experts, participate in interactive sessions, and network with peers from around the globe.

Who Should Attend

▶ Educators

both teaching in the mainstream and in special schools and colleges: Gain insights into the latest educational strategies and tools to support students with disabilities.

▶ Healthcare and Psychosocial Professionals

Learn about advancements in promoting well-being and providing health care, rehabilitation and support for individuals with disabilities.

▶ Policy Makers

Understand the impact of new legislation and contribute to policy development.

▶ Academics

▶ Built Environment and Transport Sector Professionals

▶ Self-Advocates with Disabilities and Non-Profit Organizations

Network with like-minded professionals and share advocacy strategies.

▶ Parents and Caregivers

Discover resources and support systems available for children with disabilities and their families.

Thematic Areas

▶ Technological Innovations

Explore how AI and assistive technologies are transforming the support for children and adults with disabilities.

▶ Inclusive Education

Discuss the future of inclusive education and how schools, universities, and colleges can create more inclusive and supportive environments for students with disabilities.

▶ Workplace Inclusion

Learn about new policies and practices to promote inclusion in the workplace.

▶ Healthcare Advancements

Understand the latest developments to support recovery and independence for persons who acquire a disability.

Legislation Updates

▶ Accessibility Standards

Updates on new accessibility standards for public and private sectors.

▶ Education Policies

New policies aimed at improving educational outcomes for students with special needs.

▶ Employment Laws

Changes in employment laws to better support individuals with disabilities in the workforce.

▶ Healthcare Regulations

Recent changes in healthcare regulations to enhance support for individuals with disabilities.

Program Breakdown

Day 1 **21 August 2025**

MORNING SESSION: TECHNOLOGY INNOVATIONS

- 08:00** Registration and
- 09:00** Welcome Coffee

- 09:00** Opening Remarks
- 09:30** and Keynote Address

- 09:30** Session 1: Panel Discussion:
- 10:30** Technological Innovations –
A Timeline of Enablement

- 10:30** Coffee Break and
- 11:00** Networking

- 11:00** Session 2:
- 12:00** AI as an opportunity equalizer

- 12:00** Session 3:
- 13:00** Using ICT to remove barriers to
learning, in accessing health
care, in the workplace and living
independently

- 13:00** Lunch
- 14:00** Break

AFTERNOON SESSION: UNIVERSAL DESIGN AS AN INCLUSION ENABLER

- 14:00** Session 4: Panel Discussion:
- 15:00** Universal Design as an
Inclusion Enabler

- 15:00** Coffee Break and
- 15:30** Networking

- 15:30** Workshop:
- 16:30** Two Parallel Workshops:

(1) Making my Communication
Channels inclusive;

(2) Conducting Built Environment
Access Scans and Audits

- 16:30** Closing Remarks
- 17:00** for Day 1

Day 2 22 August 2025

MORNING SESSION: DISABILITY IDENTITY, LANGUAGE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

- 08:30** Morning Coffee and
09:00 Networking
- 09:00** Session 5: Panel Discussion:
10:00 Disability Identity, Language and
Human Rights: Implications for
our Workplaces, Education
Institutions
- 10:00** Interactive Q&A with Panelists:
11:00 Implications for Policy-Makers,
Service Providers, Journalists and
Marketing Specialists
- 11:00** Coffee Break and
11:30 Networking
- 11:30** Session 6: Disability Rights and
12:30 the Law: Litigation and Juris
Prudence: Implications for
Employers, Institutions, and
Professionals
- 12:30** Lunch
13:30 Break

AFTERNOON SESSION:

- 13:30** Session 6: Future Trends in
14:15 Inclusive Education
- 14:15** Session 7: Latest Trends in
15:00 Workplace Inclusion for People
with Disabilities
- 15:00** Coffee Break and
15:30 Networking
- 15:30** Parallel Interactive Workshops:
17:00
- (1) Impactful Advocacy for
Change in My Ecosystem;
- (2) Facilitating Difficult but
Necessary Inclusion
Conversations.
- 17:00** Closing Keynote and
17:30 Conference Wrap-Up

Join us at the 9th Annual Disability Empowerment Conference to stay ahead of the curve and contribute to building the Africa we want. We look forward to welcoming you to Cape Town!

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