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## New Horizons in Disability Law: Challenges and Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities in Post-pandemic World

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### Message from the Guest Editor

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Dear colleagues,

On May 8th, 2023, we will celebrate the 15th Anniversary of the entry into force of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. This Convention was a remarkable milestone, which deeply changed the approach of society and Law regarding people with disabilities. However, the implementation of the Convention in national legal systems is progressing slowly and faces considerable difficulties. In many countries, people with disabilities are still deprived of their human rights or do not have the necessary support to overcome the barriers which hinder their full participation in society. Moreover, the COVID-19 pandemic has particularly affected people with disabilities, who in many cases have even been denied appropriate sanitary assistance.

This Special Issue aims to provide the scientific knowledge necessary to improve the implementation of the UN Convention and to help people with disabilities to face the new challenges of an increasing digital world. Among other goals, Laws intends to bridge traditional boundaries and challenge the injustices inherent in the law, and this Special Issue will contribute to these ends.



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