



Interessenvertretung
"Selbstbestimmt Leben" in
Deutschland e.V. - ISL

Living Independently

About us

The "Interessenvertretung Selbstbestimmt Leben in Deutschland e.V. - ISL" is the umbrella organization of the Centres of Independent Living of people with disabilities in Germany. ISL was founded in 1990 by disabled women and men. For us disability is a human rights issue and not a medical problem.

Our guiding ideas are „Independent Living – Self representation – Inclusion – Empowerment“!

ISL e.V. is the German branch of the international organization of people with disabilities "Disabled Peoples' International - DPI".

About our aims

ISL e.V. is standing up ...

- ... for the realization of all human rights of women and men with disabilities
- ... for an independent living of all disabled people
- ... for the full and effective participation and inclusion in society of all people with different disabilities on an equal basis with others
- ... for the realization of the motto „Nothing about us without us!“
- ... for a just distribution of the societal prosperities between people with disabilities and people without disabilities

About our activities

By the means of Peer Counseling and Peer Support we empower women and men with disabilities to discover their own power and resources so that they can live independently.

By political initiatives and activities we try to alter the legislative and general conditions in a way that women and men with disabilities can fully participate in all areas of political and public life on an equal basis with others. By these activities we contribute to raising awareness for the values and contributions of disabled peoples for their communities.

We contribute to the implementation of the CRPD in Germany and we are getting involved in efforts for inclusion in all areas of public life. In this respect our focal points are currently the personal assistance, the inclusive education and the inclusive labour market

Further informations: www.isl-ev.de www.dpi-europe.org www.dpi.org