

**7th European Seminar of the Acquired Deafblindness
Network of Dbl**

**“ACTIVITY, ABILITY AND PARTICIPATION;
ACQUIRED DEAFBLINDNESS IN ALL STAGES OF LIFE”**

8 – 12 October 2008 in Norway

**Scandic Bergen City
Haakonsgaten 2 – 7, 5015 Bergen
Norway**

Preliminar program.

Wednesday 8 October

12.00 – 18.00 **Arrival and registration**

18.30 **Welcome Reception**

Thursday 9 October

9.30 – 9.45 **Practical Information**

9.45 – 10.30 **Official opening**

1. GR Chair of ADBN
2. Representative of Rare disabilities and Rehab Directorate of Social and Health Affairs (t.b.c)
3. Representative of STATPED - Sandstad
4. Representative of umbrella organisation of disability organisations

10.30 – 11.00 **BREAK**

11.00 – 12.30 **First plenary session
“Perspectives on life with Deafblindness”**

12.30 – 14.00 **LUNCH**

14.00 – 16.30 **Workshops**

18.00 **Dinner**

Friday 10 October

9.00 – 9.15 **Practical Information**

9.15 – 10.00 **Feedback from Workshops 9 October**

(5 minutes break)

10.05 – 11.00 **Second Plenary**
“Releasing hidden abilities – The impact of Cochlear Implants on people with Acquired Deafblindness”

11.00 – 11.30 **BREAK**

11.30 – 1.00 **Third Plenary**
“Active Communication – Haptic Communication”
Different life perspective

1.00 **LUNCH**

AFTERNOON – SOCIAL PROGRAMME (Freedom of Bergen)

Saturday 11 October

9.00 – 9.15 **Practical Information**

9.15 – 10.00 **Fourth Plenary**
Activity, Ability and Participation thorough employment

10.00 – 10.15 **BREAK**

10.15 – 11.00 **Fifth Plenary**
“Participation through technology”

11.00 - 11.30	BREAK
11.30 – 12.30	Sixth Plenary “Political Slot”
12.30 – 14.00	LUNCH
14.00 – 16.30	Workshops
19.30	Gala Dinner

Sunday 12 October

10.00 – 10.15	Practical Information
10.15 – 11.00	Feedback from workshops 11 October
11.00 – 11.05	Communication break
11.05 – 11.35	Closing event/ceremony
11.35 – 11.45	Closing speech and venue for 2010