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SPEAKERS ANNOUNCED FOR WORLD ASSEMBLY

An impressive line-up of international speakers from every continent has been announced for the World Assembly. Two speakers per topic will give major addresses on Human Rights Violations, Social, Cultural, and Economic Rights, and Environmentally Sustainable Development. They include Albertina Vignon (Benin), Justin Dar (USA), William Rowland (South Africa), Theresia Degener (Germany), Carlos Botero (Latin America), Rae Hurrell (Australia).

Presenters from Canada, Pakistan, Mauritania, Costa Rica, and the United Kingdom will address issues of double discrimination; violations of rights of people with disabilities, including issues of violence and abuse; war and peace issues, including refugees with disabilities and aid distribution; relationship of the Disability Movement and the United Nations on Human Rights issues.

Rights to participate in decision-making processes and to loving relationships; family and independent living; poverty and disability will be the focus of inputs from delegates from Jamaica, Tanzania, El Salvador, Finland and India. Speakers from Zimbabwe, the Philippines, the Dominican Republic and Argentina will speak on partnership-building and participation of disability organisations; participation of under-represented groups; technological influences such as pollution, toxins, medically prescribed chemicals in relation to disability.

Well-known Human Rights activist and winner of the Nobel Peace Prize, Archbishop Desmond Tutu from South Africa will give a keynote address on Monday, December 5 in the afternoon session on Human Rights.

The Assembly will develop recommendations to form a four-year action plan and set future directions and priorities for Disabled Peoples' International and United Nations agencies.
DO YOU NEED SOME EXTRA
PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANCE?
If you have some specific needs for personal care assistance, we can help you organise it. The Home Care Service of New South Wales has extensive experience in providing this kind of assistance and its workers are very skilled, many of them speaking languages other than English. There will be an hourly charge for their services which you will be expected to meet. BUT WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT YOUR NEEDS ARE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO WE CAN ORGANISE THE SERVICE YOU REQUIRE. PLEASE WRITE OR FAX US NOW!

HOME CARE
Transfer Arrangements (for Australian Delegates)
If you are currently receiving personal care assistance from Home Care NSW and need to transfer this assistance to a city branch during the week of the World Assembly, please contact your local Branch of Home Care as soon as possible.

Demand for Home Care assistance is expected to be high during this time and early notification of personal care requirements will ensure a smooth transition of service for Home Care customers.

Upon notifying your local branch of your intention to attend the World Assembly, staff will forward your relevant information to a city branch. They, in turn, will contact you confirming service arrangements.

why not see more of australia after the '94 world assembly?

The following wheelchair-accessible tours are available:

7-Day North Coast Tour - Cities, Towns and Beaches, picturesque North Coast

7-Day South Coast Tour - Southern Highlands, Beaches, Australia’s Capital City, Canberra.

Bookings can also be made for a 6-day Accommodation Package at the Wheel Resort, Byron Bay.

For more information about these and any other holiday arrangements, contact Uniglobe on
Phone number 61 2 956 8588 or
Fax number 61 2 956 8192
A REMINDER REGARDING ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

Qantas is a principal sponsor of the World Assembly and the designated air carrier. Special discounted fares have been negotiated. Please contact your nearest Qantas office for details. Contact is Natalie Small, Reference No. J2X1Z4.

Please advise your flight details and accommodation requirements to the World Assembly office as soon as possible. This is urgent. Every effort will be made to meet your accommodation requirements but there may be a necessity to share accessible rooms. If you have not requested a shared room, you will be contacted about it.

Transport will be arranged between accommodation and venues and to and from the airport for participants booking their accommodation through the Assembly office. If you are making your own accommodation arrangements you will be responsible for your own transport.

SHARED REGISTRATIONS

Some Australian organisations have elected to pay one registration fee and intend to be represented by different people on different days. These organisations will receive one program and conference bag. Entrance to the venue will be possible only if each participant’s name is supplied beforehand and only one delegate may be present at any one time under this arrangement. Shared registrations will be limited to five delegates only.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR REGISTRATION FEE?

You are reminded that the registration fee must be paid before the World Assembly to secure your participation. Entry to the Assembly venue will not be possible without prior registration, nor will the programme and conference packages be available if you have not registered.

Attendants participating in the World Assembly programme are also required to pay the registration fee.

Bookings and payment for the closing banquet ($40 per head) may be made at the information desk during the first two days of the World Assembly.

VOLUNTEERS

We need many volunteers to assist with the World Assembly organisation and to provide participant support. The Volunteer Centre of NSW is co-ordinating the volunteer programme. Tasks include meeting and greeting at airports, assisting with registration, staffing information desk and message centre, driving buses (must have a 1B licence), guides to assist visually impaired people, support for people with intellectual disabilities, providing assistance at meal times, distribution of equipment and assistance with putting up signs and setting up of rooms and staging.

The Volunteer Centre will provide specific training before the Assembly and allocate people to specific tasks on a roster basis. People from Non-English Speaking Backgrounds are especially encouraged to assist us. If you can help, even for a few hours, please contact:

The Volunteer Centre of NSW
Level 2, 105 Pitt Street
Sydney NSW 2000
Telephone: (02) 231 4000
Fax: (02) 221 1596
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES
Tea and Coffee during breaks
Attendance at Pre-Assembly & World Assembly Programs
Delegates’ Kit & Program
Where possible:
Assistance with transport to & from Airport to Accommodation
Assistance with Transport between designated Hotels & Venue

REGISTRATION FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE
Assembly Banquet - ($40 extra) Attendant Care
Meals and Accommodation Aids & Equipment

WORLD ASSEMBLY NOTICEBOARD
(for International Delegates Only)

ATTENDANT CARERS
If you are accompanied by an attendant, you must meet the attendant’s costs, including accommodation. Only the cost of Registration is waived for Attendant’s accompanying participants.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT
is not always accessible. Please clearly state your needs on the Registration Form.

SUBSIDISED DELEGATES

• For information about eligibility please contact the World Assembly office
• Please enclose an official letter from your National Assembly stating that you are their representative
• Subsidised delegates must pay at least the registration fee of US$150
• Confirmation of subsidy will be sent to official delegates by 30 September 1994

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DPI Chairperson, 1990-1994 |

Secretary General of Southern Africa Federation of the disabled; National Chair of the National Association of Societies for the Care of the Handicapped, Zimbabwe; President of Zimbabwe Sports Association of the Disabled; Lord Mayor of Bulawayo City; member of Lions Club of Bulawayo; Director of Companies and Businessman of the Year, 1991; Commissioner of Oaths (Zimbabwe).

**IRENE FEIKA**  
DPI Canadian representative  
Information Officer 1990-  

Manager of Client Services, Bissel Centre, Alberta, Canada. (Serves economically disadvantaged people.)


**KALLE KONKKOLA**  
DPI deputy chairperson and chairperson of the Independent Living Committee of DPI |

Founder of The Threshold 1973, consumer organisation of people with disabilities; Member of Parliament, 1983-1987; one of the first Finnish Green parliamentarians; member of Helsinki City Council since 1984; many local political responsibilities in the City of Helsinki and the Finnish Green League; member of DPI World Council, 1986; vice-chair of DPI, 1990.

| **ZOHRA RAJAH**  
DPI Deputy chairperson |

Founding member of the Fraternite mauricienne de Malades et Handicapes; Secretary General for the Mauritius Handisport Federation; president of the Federation of Disabled Peoples’ Organisations ‘Mauritius’; member of the executive committee for the Rehabilitation of the Disabled.

The only one representing people with disabilities at the executive committee of the Mauritius Social Service, consisting of 99 organisations; recently nominated by the government to the Trust Fund Board for the Disabled. Working to integrate children with disabilities in kindergarten.

**SENATOR EITA YASHIRO**  
DPI Honorary Secretary to 1994 |

A director of the House Committee on Health and Welfare; member of the House Special Committee on Science and Technology in Japan. Within Liberal Democratic Party, vice-chairperson of Policy Research Council and chairperson of Special Committee on International Year of Disabled Persons.

Elected as first wheelchair member of the House of Councillors; 1983, elected chairperson of Asia-Pacific Regional Councillors of DPI (re-elected for the third term - 1988-1992); 1983, re-elected to the House of Councillors; 1984, joined Liberal Democratic Party; 1985, served as a parliamentary vice-minister of Science and Technology; assumed the co-chairperson of Japan-U.S.A. Conference of Persons with Disabilities (to-date); 1988, re-elected to the House of Councillors for third term, to serve until 1995; 1990, elected as an Honorary Secretary of DPI, to 1994.
ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE PRE-ASSEMBLY PROGRAM
3 AND 4 DECEMBER 1994

Saturday
3 December
1994

UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR DISABLED PERSONS
Venue: Tumbalong Park, Darling Harbour
Time: 4.00pm - 6.00pm

Sunday
4 December
1994

BUSH DANCE
Band: Skewiff
Cost: To be advised (inexpensive)
Venue: Exhibition Hall 2, Darling Harbour
Catering: Refreshments available for purchase
Time: 6.30pm - 9.30pm

ENTERTAINMENT AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE WORLD ASSEMBLY
5 TO 9 DECEMBER 1994

Monday
5 December
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STATE RECEPTION - hosted by New South Wales Premier, the Hon. John Fahey
Venue: Harbourside Room, Darling Harbour
Time: 6pm - 7.30pm

Friday
9 December
1994

BANQUET
Cost: $40.00 per head
Extra drinks available for purchase
Venue: Banquet Hall, Convention Centre
Entertainment: Solidarity Choir
Light Motion - (dance performance)
Informal Dancing afterwards
Time: 6.30pm - 11.00pm