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and the  
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**The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities:  
concepts of implementation with special emphasis on  
employment, education and accessibility**

Tuesday, February 24, 2009

11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

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871 UN Plaza (1st Avenue at East 49th Street)

**Speakers:** **Mr. Franz Thönnies**, Parliamentary State Secretary,  
German Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs

**Mr. Mathew Sapolin**, NYC Commissioner for people with  
disabilities

**Mr. Rich Donovan**, CEO, Integrated Process Solutions LLC

**Ms. Rosangela Berman-Bieler**, Executive Director,  
Inter-American Institute on Disability and Inclusive  
Development

**Ms. Susanne Paul**, President, Global Action on Aging

**Moderator:** **Mr. Werner Puschra**, Executive Director,  
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