# The Future of Equality Law



The essential conference for anyone interested in equality law

Dates Time Location 7th March 2025 9:50am - 5:10pm

online only via zoom

login details will be sent to everyone who

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#### At the DLA's 2025 conference attendees will:

- Explore the new changes to the employers' duty to protect staff from sexual harassment at work;
- Learn how the most vulnerable are being supported in our legal system during an access to justice crisis;
- Consider discrimination in welfare benefits and assess ways to prevent discrimination in housing and disability accessibility situations, without the need of legislation, and
- be advised, and ask questions on, the latest developments on the increasing use of AI and its potential to discriminate.

In an ever-changing world, this year's DLA conference looks into the future of equality and asks: is the challenge of discrimination today increasingly more important than we've seen in the past?

Book your place here

## **Conference programme**

# Morning programme

- 09:50 Welcome and introductions
- Sexual harassment at work: where are we now?
   <u>Clare Armstrong</u> (Principal (solicitor), Equality and Human Rights Commission)
- 11:00 Discrimination in Welfare Benefits

  Jagna Olejniczak (Policy Researcher,
  Citizens Advice)

  Discussion
- 12:00 Break (tea/coffee)

Discussion

12:15 Creating a Level Playing Field: the work of the court-appointed intermediary in facilitating communication between the justice system and people with communication difficulties or differences.

Nicola Lewis (The Intermediary Cooperative)
Discussion

13:10 Lunch

## **Conference programme (cont)**

# Afternoon programme

- 14:00 Discussion Session group discussion on current discrimination problems to find practical solutions without the need for legislation focussing on the following main issues:
  - housing discrimination
  - disability/accessibility

16:00 Break (tea/coffee)

16:10 Panel session: Exploring the advancement of AI and its impact on issues of equality, with:

Robin Allen KC (Cloisters Chambers)

Yara Ali-Adib (Principal Lawyer - Equality & Human Rights Commission)

Colin Davidson (Senior Associate, Cole Khan)

Discussion

17.10 Close

### **Booking information**

#### **Prices**

If you're not yet a DLA member, **join now** to become eligible for our discounted rates: www.discriminationlaw.org.uk/how-to-join

RATES PER DELEGATE	DLA members	Non- members
Concessionary: vol sector / student / unwaged / retired	£35	£55
Non-concessionary: full rate	£95	£115

#### **Discretionary rate**

■ **£15** special rate for hardship cases - 10 places only, to apply please email: info@discriminationlaw.org.uk

#### How to book

Book online **here** or the DLA website www.discriminationlaw.org.uk where you will be able to:

- advise us of any special requirements
- pay by debit or credit card online no extra charge / alternatively by bank transfer or cheque

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The DLA will try to make adjustments when requested, however it may not be able to meet special requirements notified after Monday 3rd March 2025.