



## Overview of National Disability Legislation in Romania

### Romania

#### Case study overview

The Romanian Education Law from 2011 has introduced for the first time in Romania provisions for students with disabilities from universities. The Education Law (no.1/2011) integrates modern principles which are guiding the whole educational system, comprising higher education: social inclusion, equity, equal opportunities. The law has particular items such as:

- “In higher education discrimination is not allowed...”(art. 118, 2)
- “Students with physical disabilities have the right to adapted access routes in all university spaces, as well as conditions for normal academic, social and cultural activities, under the framework of higher education institutions...”(art.118, 3).

The higher education institutions are required to follow the national legislation. The following selection of laws include relevant information regarding the national strategy for disabled persons’ protection, rights and support for their education, integration and social inclusion:

1. The Law no.448/2006 regarding the disabled persons protection and rights (Lege privind protectia si promovarea drepturilor persoanelor cu handicap, legea nr. 448/2006) (most recent amendments in March 2012). This established the rights and obligations of disabled persons with respect to their integration and social inclusion.



2. The Law no.221/2010 regarding the ratification of the Convention concerning the rights of disabled persons (Lege nr. 221 din 11 noiembrie 2010 pentru ratificarea Conventiei privind drepturile persoanelor cu dizabilitati, semnata de Romania la 26 septembrie 2007). This includes the rights of disabled persons to access education at all levels.
3. Government Decision no.1175/20.09.2005: National Strategy for the Protection, Integration and Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities 2006-2013.
4. NP 051/ 2001 : Norms for accessibility in the built environment.
5. Law of Social Assistance, no.292/2011, on the national system of social assistance in Romania.
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