

Center for Disability and Integration



University of St.Gallen



## A Commitment to Action

Providing Opportunities for People with Disabilities



Opening Ceremony  
Center for Disability and Integration (CDI-HSG)

President Bill Clinton

November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
St.Gallen, Switzerland

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## Luncheon Ceremony and Opening Celebration

We are pleased to invite you to the **Luncheon Ceremony** of the **Center for Disability and Integration (CDI-HSG)** of the University of St.Gallen (HSG) on

November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 12.00 - 3.00 p.m. with the honorable

**President Bill Clinton.**

The Center for Disability and Integration and the MyHandicap Foundation are privileged to announce that President Bill Clinton, founder of the William J. Clinton Foundation, the 42<sup>nd</sup> President of the United States of America and Honorary Patron of the Foundation MyHandicap, will participate in our luncheon ceremony.

During the luncheon, President Clinton will discuss philanthropy and our common humanity in an interdependent world. The ceremony will take place as a charity luncheon on the campus of the University of St.Gallen (HSG). The seating is limited.

After the Luncheon Ceremony we cordially invite you to the **Opening Celebration** at the Center for Disability and Integration at St.Gallen, Switzerland. At the Center you will meet distinguished guests and interdisciplinary researchers of the Center for Disability and Integration and of the University of St.Gallen (HSG), one of Europe's leading business universities.

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## ComToAct Awards

A priority objective for persons with disabilities is access to working life. It is often difficult for them to gain permanent employment without governmental interventions. A joint effort from individuals, organizations, and society is needed to solve the occupational challenges that persons with disabilities are facing.

Our **Commitment To Action** is to support employers who recognize the potential of disabled persons and contribute to their social inclusion and economic empowerment.

The Center for Disability and Integration and the Foundation MyHandicap proudly present the **ComToAct-Award!**

The ComToAct Award honors companies that commit themselves to integrating persons with disabilities within their work environments. Integration projects are awarded in two categories:

### **ComToAct Best Practice Award**

for ongoing or completed projects.

### **ComToAct Best Idea Award**

a project in the near future that will be implemented when the winner is announced.

The application form can be downloaded from [www.ComToAct.org](http://www.ComToAct.org) or requested directly at [ComToAct@unisg.ch](mailto:ComToAct@unisg.ch).



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### Research Center and Foundation

#### **Center for Disability and Integration (CDI-HSG)**

The Center is a newly-founded interdisciplinary research institution at the University of St.Gallen. The research focuses on the economic and social integration of persons with disabilities to enhance their autonomy and quality of life and to relieve their reliance on social security systems. The Center for Disability and Integration was enabled by a donation from the Foundation MyHandicap.

#### **Foundation MyHandicap**

As a non-profit organization MyHandicap improves the lives of people with disabilities. MyHandicap informs and motivates, but most of all shows how one can lead a life of fulfillment and contentment with a physical or psychological disability. Based in Zurich and Munich, MyHandicap was founded in 2004 by internet pioneer Joachim Schoss. After losing his right arm and leg in a traffic accident, he realized how difficult it was to find useful and positive information on living with a disability. The foundation's websites provide just that service: [www.myhandicap.ch](http://www.myhandicap.ch) / [www.myhandicap.de](http://www.myhandicap.de) / [www.myhandicap.com](http://www.myhandicap.com).

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