

Hello all,

The shortest month of the year is over already, hard to believe we are now in the third month of 2019. In February I was busy visiting centres and spending time in the office with the DSA Team developing and updating processes and procedures and reviewing the quality of the service we provide to our customers.

I also attended BATAs AGM and BATA's Workplace Summit. The Summit, hosted by Atos at its London HQ, saw attendees working in groups on tackling what is dubbed as employer fear: the concern employers have, especially smaller ones, about the difficulties they might face in employing disabled people.



With only 49% of disabled people in work, compared to over 80% of non-disabled people, the Government has pledged to get one million more disabled people into work by 2027.

The Workplace Summit looked at how this gap might be bridged beginning with the business case for investing in assistive technology to enable disabled people into work, this was further emphasised by Eleanor Southwood, chair of RNIB.

Attendees also considered how an organisation might move from just complying with regulations to gaining a competitive advantage, with presentations from Barclays and Atos.

Finally, the group turned their focus to how to gain the attention of influencers inside and outside organisations with the assistance of representatives from the All Party Parliamentary Group for AT and Microlink pc.

The speakers on the day were Neil Milliken, Eleanor Southwood, Paul Smyth, Dr Nasser Siabi, Robert McLaren and Geena Vabulas.

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