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Accessibility Training

Today is the start of a busy week of training on disability equality and accessibility, organised by the Department of Equality. A series of workshops are being delivered to the public and private sector by Ian Streets, Managing Director of About Access.

The first training session for the public sector took place today at the University of Gibraltar and was attended by 30 Heads of Government Departments and senior officials.

The session was opened by Minister for Equality, the Hon Samantha Sacramento MP. On her opening remarks, Minister Sacramento reminded public sector employees of Her Majesty's Government of Gibraltar's commitment to inclusion and of the important legislative changes on the horizon. She said: "As heads of Departments is it important that you are fully equipped with the knowledge and skills to ensure that the Government is complying with its obligations and with the ethos that it is important to break down barriers and have inclusive environments."

The feedback on the day's training has been very positive indeed. The next session is a half day seminar, Making Premises Accessible, that has been specifically organised for private sector businesses as part of the Equality Means Business initiative. This will be held tomorrow morning at the O'Callaghan Elliott Hotel and will be followed by further training for technical professionals for the rest of the week.