

## **IASSID Europe Abstracts**

Track 5. History, identity & rights

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#### **Paper 1**

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#### **Title: Understanding and challenging stigma at multiple levels**

Description: Many positive changes have happened or are underway in recognising the rights of people with intellectual disabilities and increasing their inclusion. Yet negative attitudes and discrimination remain everyday realities for many. This paper presents a multi-level model of stigma associated with intellectual disabilities, encompassing the intrapersonal, familial, wider interpersonal, and structural level. It is proposed that research efforts to advance our understanding of intellectual disability stigma need to target these multiple levels, as do efforts to and develop and test interventions that challenge stigma.

Contribution: The model can provide a framework for the development of new research and interventions and help identify priorities for research and intervention.