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| 13:15 – 13:20 | Welcome and Opening Remarks  H.E. Kai Sauer, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Finland to the UN |
| 13:20 – 13:25 | Introduction and moderation  Alan Miller, GANHRI Special Envoy |
| 13:25 – 14:00 | Perspectives from the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities  Theresia Degener, Chairperson, CRPD  NHRIs work in the field: national experiences from different regions:  Kagwiria Mbogori, Chairperson, Kenya National Commission on Human Rights  *Experiences from Kenya*  Alastair McEwin, Disability Discrimination Commissioner, Australian Human Rights Commission  *Australian experiences, introduction of the new APF manual on NHRIs and Disability*  Sirpa Rautio, Director, Finnish Human Rights Centre  Kalle Könkkölä, Chair, DPO Threshold Foundation and Finnish CRPD 33.3 mechanism  *Finnish experiences one year after the ratification, examples on participation*  Colin Allen, Chair of the International Disability Alliance  *Perspectives from DPOs* |
| 14:00 – 14:25 | Interactive Discussion |
| 14:25 – 14:30 | Closing Remarks  **H.E. Juan Carlos Mendoza, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the UN** |