







<p>Dear Ji Ki-ryong, President of the association of disabled people from the five continents and their friends. Dear Colleagues, Dear Participants, Dear Friends, welcome all to the ArtPara Forum.</p>	
<p>In the wake of the Paralympic Games, and with leadership of the host city of Paris, I would like to invite the participants of the ArtPara Forum to discuss our future collaboration, what are we asking for and what can we contribute?</p>	
<p>I'm delighted to welcome you to the first ArtPara Forum. Artists from all over the world will be able to network and talk about their work. Creating art helps everyone to live better together.</p>	
<p>People have always communicated through drawing, even our earliest ancestors.</p>	
<p>Disabled artists do wonderful work. They have developed unique ways of working. Their contributions contribute to our understanding of humankind.</p>	
<p>The disabled artists gathered here are like the athletes at the Olympics: They are the ones who have our attention and applause. That's why we are asking them what needs to be done to support disabled artists and their creations.</p>	
<p>I invite all the participants of the ArtPara Forum to discuss how we move forward to ensure that disabled artists around the world can work in conditions that will promote their success.</p>	