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What organisations led by persons with disabilities want at the Global Disability Summit



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This is an Easy Read version of some information. It may not include all of the information but it will tell you about the important parts.



This Easy Read booklet uses easier words and pictures. Some people may still want help to read it.



Some words are in **bold** - this means the writing is thicker and darker. These are important words in the booklet.



Sometimes if a bold word is hard to understand, we will explain what it means.



Blue and underlined words show links to websites and email addresses. You can click on these links on a computer.

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About this booklet



This booklet is from the International Disability Alliance.



We are running the next **Global Disability Summit (GDS)**.

The **Global Disability Summit (GDS)** is an event that asks countries around the world to do more to include persons with disabilities.



The next GDS will be on April 2 and 3, 2025.



This booklet is about what organisations led by persons with disabilities (OPDs) want from the GDS.

The role of OPDs in the GDS



Remember, **OPDs** are organisations led by persons with disabilities.



The Global Disability Summit (GDS) asks countries to support and include persons with disabilities more.



We will ask countries to make promises about what they will do to include persons with disabilities.

We call these promises **commitments**.



Persons with disabilities know how they would like to be included and supported.

So they should be included when commitments are written.



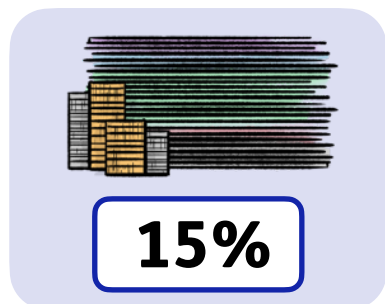
Persons with disabilities should lead the changes and discussions that involve them.



The voices and needs of persons with disabilities can be heard at the GDS through OPDs.

What OPDs want from the GDS

Organisations led by persons with disabilities (OPDs) want:



- Countries to agree that 15% of the money that governments use for **international development** should be spent for the rights of persons with disabilities.



International development is when countries work together to make life better for the people in other parts of the world.



- Countries to check that enough money is being spent on persons with disabilities.



- The GDS to show countries that OPDs need more money to support the work that they do.

OPDs also want:



- The GDS to show countries how to support younger persons with disabilities to become leaders.



- The GDS to show how OPDs have been included in the GDS and in the writing of commitments.



- Countries to set goals for helping persons with disabilities get the education they need.



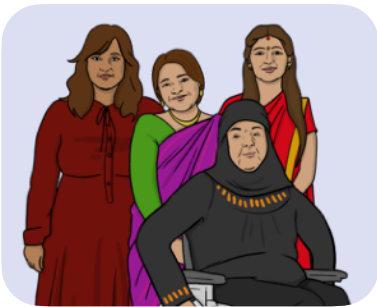
- Countries to make all places of work **accessible**, instead of just giving a small number of jobs to persons with disabilities.

Accessible means easy to use and suitable for everyone.

OPDs also want:



- Countries to make sure persons with disabilities have equal access to all services, like healthcare.



- Countries to make sure women and girls with disabilities are supported and protected in the right ways.



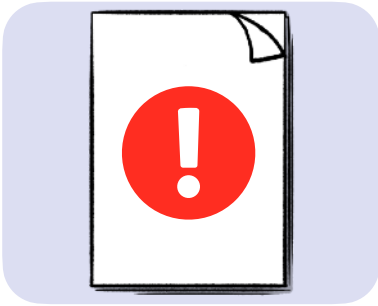
- Countries to work faster at helping persons with disabilities move out of **institutions** and into their local communities.



Institutions are places where people live away from their community, like care homes and hospitals.



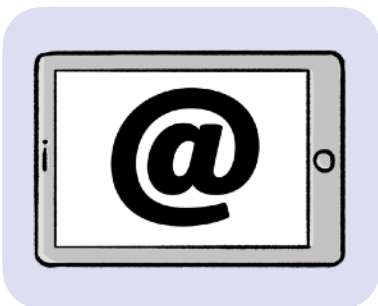
OPDs also want countries to think about persons with disabilities when they are writing **emergency plans**.



Emergency plans are plans for what should happen if there is a big emergency, like a flood.

Find out more

To find out more about the Global Disability Summit (GDS), you can:



- Email: summit@ida-secretariat.org



- Visit the GDS website: www.globaldisabilitysummit.org