



## Global Disability Summit 2025

### **Amman-Berlin Declaration on Global Disability Inclusion**

**We have gathered here in Berlin to galvanize global efforts to achieve disability inclusion around the world.**

We build on our shared **commitment to the realization of the rights of persons with disabilities and to a human rights-based approach to disability-inclusive development**, which is reflected in the near-universal ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

We reaffirm the outcomes of the **previous Global Disability Summits 2018 and 2022, the regional pre-summits in advance of the present summit as well as the civil society consultations.**

We will work together to advance progress towards the **full implementation of the CRPD as well as disability-inclusive international development cooperation and humanitarian action.**

It is in light of the above that we adopt the present Declaration as the outcome document of the Third Global Disability Summit 2025 in Berlin.

#### ***Our Vision for an Inclusive World***

We envision a world where **all persons with disabilities**, including women and children with disabilities, **enjoy their civil, political, social, economic and cultural rights**, with the elimination of all barriers that hinder the **full and effective participation** of persons with disabilities in society on an equal basis with others.

We envision a world where **disability inclusion** is a fundamental **element of international cooperation, in particular international development programs and humanitarian action**. In this world, meaningful **participation** of persons with disabilities and their representative organizations, including organizations of women with disabilities, is a lived reality in program planning, design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation.



We emphasize the **important role of international**, including South-South, **cooperation** in supporting national efforts to realize the purpose and objectives of the CRPD, while underscoring the **obligation of each state party to fulfill its obligations under the CRPD and to allocate the maximum available domestic resources to this goal.**

We recognize that international development programs must accelerate their efforts to address disability inclusion and to meaningfully include **Organizations of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs)**. We re-affirm the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Sustainable Development Goals, and their principles of leaving no one behind and reaching the furthest behind first.

Seeking to ensure that **international development and humanitarian programs** are harmonized with the CRPD and its Articles 11 and 32,

***We declare the following:***

1. We will strive for all our international development programs to be inclusive of and accessible to persons with disabilities, by actively making a positive contribution to inclusive and full equality and to non-discrimination and by doing no harm.
2. We will strive to ensure that **at least 15 percent** of international development programs being implemented **at the country level** pursue disability inclusion as an **objective (“15 percent for the 15 percent”)**.

The 15 percent target requires **joint action** to increase **efforts** by focusing current **resources** on disability inclusion and dedicating more resources to this purpose.

We will strive to achieve this target **by 2028**, the year in which the fourth and next Global Disability Summit is to be held.

3. We recognize and celebrate the role of OPDs. We are thus determined to ensure the **full and effective engagement of OPDs** and their meaningful participation in all stages of development cooperation and humanitarian action. We emphasize the need for a **safe and enabling environment** for civil society and all human rights defenders, in particular OPDs. We will strive to strengthen **resource allocation for, and partnerships with, OPDs** in the context of international cooperation.



4. We will strive to make inclusion a reality for all persons with disabilities, in particular for those belonging to under-represented groups, those who are facing a high risk of exclusion or multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination, especially women and girls as well as children and youth with disabilities. We will address multiple discrimination and promote gender equality. **If discrimination is intersectional, then our response to it must also be intersectional.**
5. We will strive to foster disability inclusion through international development cooperation, recognizing that disability inclusion is **relevant for all sectors**.
6. We will strive to make **humanitarian action inclusive of, and accessible to, persons with disabilities**, as required by Article 11 of the CRPD, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, Security Council Resolution 2475 (2019) on Protection of Persons with Disabilities in Conflict and the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Guidelines on the Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action.

We pledge to make every effort to lift the barriers persons with disabilities are facing in situations of risk, including situations of armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies, and the occurrence of natural disasters, as well as in accessing relief, protection and recovery support. We will also ensure their participation in the planning, design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation as well as coordination of humanitarian action.

7. We will promote **partnering with relevant stakeholders including national disability inclusion actors, the private sector, trade unions, academia and civil society** to foster disability inclusion. These partnerships will be based on **mutual learning and exchange to encourage greater research and both bilateral and multilateral funding** of disability inclusion and related matters, including assistive technologies and artificial intelligence.
8. We will strengthen our efforts to gather **data and evidence** on the situation of persons with disabilities and on disability-inclusive international development cooperation as well as humanitarian action in order to enhance our policies, strategies and programs.

We recognize the **OECD-DAC policy marker** on the inclusion and empowerment of persons with disabilities as an important monitoring and steering mechanism and encourage its wide usage and continued strengthening. All parties, including multilateral institutions, are invited to report on disability



inclusion in their programs. This is key for countries to be able to monitor their development cooperation portfolios.

9. **With over a billion reasons to change**, we stand ready to join forces and combine our strengths to ensure **disability rights are effectively upheld today and in a post-2030 Agenda world.**