

Project Briefing:

‘Making Development Inclusive’

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Why this project

With the aim of breaking the recurring poverty-disability-poverty cycle, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) was passed in May 2008 as the result of global campaigning for the rights and opportunities of persons with disabilities.

Article 32 of the CRPD states inter alia, that international cooperation, including international development programmes, should be inclusive of, and accessible to, persons with disabilities. With its signature by the European Union (EU) and its ratification by EU Member States, there is a greatly increased need for specialist information about the implementation and monitoring of Article 32.

What we want to achieve

Overall, ‘Making Development Inclusive’ aims to improve mainstreaming of disability in international development activities conducted by European state and non-state actors in line with the CRPD.

More specifically, the project focuses on strengthening the International Disability and Development Consortium (IDDC) as an expert civil society resource on disability and international development issues for the European Commission, European Member States and Non State Actors in Europe thereby promoting consistent understanding and implementation of the CRPD in Member States development cooperation.

Under this project, IDDC will build up its capacity to advocate successfully at the EU level and will develop materials and resources to assist practitioners and policy-makers in making inclusive international development a reality. IDDC will be strengthened as a hub for the provision of expertise on mainstreaming disability in development to national and international state and non-state actors.

Our budget

‘Making Development Inclusive’ is a project financed by Directorate-General Development and Cooperation – EuropeAid (DG DEVCO), a new DG incorporating the former Development and EuropeAid DGs. This project is a sequel to ‘Disability mainstreaming in Development Co-operation’ (2006-2008).

The total project is worth €731,827 with a contribution from the European Commission of €548,870.

Our partners involved

The lead applicant for the project is IDDC Member Leonard Cheshire Disability, and in addition to IDDC, ten IDDC members are also project partners:

- Associazione Italiana Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO), Italy
- CBM, Germany
- CBM, Ireland
- Dutch Coalition on Disability and Development (DCDD), the Netherlands
- Handicap International, France
- Handicap International, Luxembourg
- LIGHT FOR THE WORLD, Austria
- Platform Disability and Development Cooperation (PHOS), Belgium
- Sightsavers, UK
- Swedish Organisation of Disabled Persons International Aid Association (Shia), Sweden

Check our activities

The project activities include a range of collaborative projects which will be undertaken by the IDDC Task Groups, in conjunction with the IDDC Board and the IDDC Secretariat, and by Project Partners individually. The IDDC Secretariat has a coordinating and facilitating role. Activities include:

- workshops/seminars to raise awareness of the CRPD, article 32 and inclusive development generally;
- publications/training materials providing guidance for development actors on inclusive approaches to development;
- provision to mainstream development policy consultations and publications to raise awareness of the CRPD and the need for inclusive approaches to development;
- exchange visits with Southern partners and development actors from new Member States.
- national awareness raising events on inclusive development organised by project partners (see list of events on next page)

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