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**EDF - IDDC Joint Proposal for amendments on the Regulation establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument**

Coherence between internal and external EU funding, policy and action is necessary to ensure the principles of inclusion, accessibility and cooperation are consistent. In light of this, EDF and IDDC urge the EU and its Member States to work for an NDICI Regulation that does the following:

- Establishes the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
- mainstreams disability in geographic as well as in thematic programmes, with particular attention to women and girls with disabilities;
- guarantees that EU funding on Development Cooperation respects and fulfils the principle of aid effectiveness for ODA-eligible actions;
- recognises Civil Society as a key actor for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and sustainable development and establishes a mechanism for their active participation in all stages of the decision-making process
- includes a disability policy marker to measure the implementation and monitoring of the NDICI.

There should also be reference to indicators providing a clear overview of the allocation of resources that benefit persons with disabilities, in order to track the progress made towards the inclusion of persons with disabilities in development and cooperation programmes.

**Amendment proposal for the NDICI Regulation**

Current	Proposed
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P. 19	<b><i>New Article between 12 and 13</i></b>  <b>The Union’s development cooperation should contribute to the fulfilment of its obligations</b>

	<b>under the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.</b>
P. 19, (13) Pursuant to the Sustainable Development Goals, this Regulation should contribute to reinforced monitoring and reporting with a focus on results, covering outputs, outcomes and impacts in partner countries benefiting from the Union's external financial assistance. In particular, as agreed in the Consensus, actions under this Regulation are expected to contribute 20% of the Official Development Assistance funded under this Regulation to social inclusion and human development, including gender equality and women's empowerment.	(13) Pursuant to the Sustainable Development Goals, this Regulation should contribute to reinforced monitoring and reporting with a focus on results, covering outputs, outcomes and impacts in partner countries benefiting from the Union's external financial assistance. In particular, as agreed in the Consensus, actions under this Regulation are expected to contribute 20% of the Official Development Assistance funded under this Regulation to social inclusion and human development, including gender equality, <b>women's empowerment and the inclusion of persons with disabilities.</b>
P. 21, (25) Whilst democracy and human rights, including gender equality and women's empowerment should be reflected throughout the implementation of this Regulation, Union assistance under the thematic programmes for human rights and democracy and civil society organisations should have a specific complementary and additional role by virtue of its global nature and its independence of action from the consent of the governments and public authorities of the third countries concerned.	(25) Whilst democracy and human rights, including gender equality, <b>women's empowerment and the inclusion of persons with disabilities</b> should be reflected throughout the implementation of this Regulation, Union assistance under the thematic programmes for human rights and democracy and civil society organisations should have a specific complementary and additional role by virtue of its global nature and its independence of action from the consent of the governments and public authorities of the third countries concerned.
P.21 (26) Civil society organisations should embrace a wide range of actors with different roles and mandates which includes all non-State, not-for-profit structures, non-partisan and non-violent, through which people organise to pursue shared objectives and ideals, whether political, cultural, social or economic. Operating from the local to the national, regional and international levels, they comprise urban and rural, formal and informal organisations	(26) Civil society organisations should embrace a wide range of actors with different roles and mandates which includes all non-State, not-for-profit structures, non-partisan and non-violent, through which people organise to pursue shared objectives and ideals, whether political, cultural, social or economic. Operating from the local to the national, regional and international levels, they comprise urban and rural, formal and informal organisations, <b>including organisations of persons with disabilities.</b>

<p>P. 22 (30) This Regulation should enable the Union to respond to challenges, needs and opportunities related to migration, in complementarity with Union migration policy. To contribute to that end, and without prejudice to unforeseen circumstances, 10% of its financial envelope is expected to be dedicated to addressing the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement and to supporting migration management and governance including the protection of refugees and migrants' rights within the objectives of this Regulation.</p>	<p>(30) This Regulation should enable the Union to respond to challenges, needs and opportunities related to migration, in complementarity with Union migration policy. To contribute to that end, and without prejudice to unforeseen circumstances, 10% of its financial envelope is expected to be dedicated to addressing the root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement and to supporting migration management and governance including the protection of refugees and migrants' rights, <b>including gender equality, women's empowerment and the inclusion of persons with disabilities</b>, within the objectives of this Regulation.</p>
<p>P. 22 (32) The types of financing and the methods of implementation under this Regulation should be chosen on the basis of their ability to achieve the specific objectives of the actions and to deliver results, taking into account, in particular, the costs of controls, the administrative burden, and the expected risk of non-compliance. This should include consideration of the use of lump sums, flat rates and unit costs, as well as financing not linked to costs as referred to in Article 125(1) of the Financial Regulation.</p>	<p>(32) The types of financing and the methods of implementation under this Regulation should be chosen on the basis of their ability to achieve the specific objectives of the actions and to deliver results, taking into account, in particular, the costs of controls, the administrative burden, the expected risk of non-compliance <b>and the costs of accessibility</b>. This should include consideration of the use of lump sums, flat rates and unit costs, as well as financing not linked to costs as referred to in Article 125(1) of the Financial Regulation.</p>
<p>P. 24 (42) In order to enhance partner countries' ownership of their development processes and the sustainability of external aid, the Union should, where relevant, favour the use of partner countries' own institutions and of partner countries' systems and procedures for all aspects of the project cycle for cooperation.</p>	<p>(42) In order to enhance partner countries' ownership of their development processes and the sustainability of external aid, the Union should, where relevant, favour the use of partner countries' own institutions and of partner countries' systems and procedures for all aspects of the project cycle for cooperation, <b>as well as partner countries' own civil society organisations</b>.</p>
<p>P 27, Article 3. Objectives</p> <p>2. (b) at global level, to consolidate and support democracy, rule of law and human rights, support civil society organisations, further stability and peace and address other global challenges including migration and mobility;</p>	<p>Article 3. Objectives</p> <p>2. (b) at global level, to consolidate and support democracy, rule of law and human rights, support civil society organisations <b>including women's organisations and organisations of persons with disabilities</b>, further stability and peace and address other global challenges including migration and mobility;</p>
<p>P. 30, Article 8. General Principles</p>	<p>Article 8. General Principles</p>

<p>2. A rights-based approach encompassing all human rights, whether civil and political or economic, social and cultural shall be applied in order to integrate human rights principles, to support the right holders in claiming their rights with a focus on poorer and more vulnerable groups and to assist partner countries in implementing their international human rights obligations. This Regulation shall promote gender equality and women’s empowerment.</p>	<p>2. A rights-based approach encompassing all human rights, whether civil and political or economic, social and cultural shall be applied in order to integrate human rights principles <b>and legal frameworks</b>, to support the right holders in claiming their rights with a focus on poorer and more vulnerable groups and to assist the <b>EU and</b> partner countries in implementing their international human rights obligations. This Regulation shall promote gender equality, <b>women’s empowerment and the inclusion of persons with disabilities</b>.</p>
<p>P. 31, Article 8. General Principles</p> <p>6. Programmes and actions under this Regulation shall mainstream climate change, environmental protection and gender equality and shall address interlinkages between Sustainable Development Goals, to promote integrated actions that can create co-benefits and meet multiple objectives in a coherent way. These programmes and actions shall be based on an analysis of risks and vulnerabilities, integrate a resilience approach and be conflict sensitive. They shall be guided by the principle of leaving no one behind.</p>	<p>Article 8. General Principles</p> <p>6. Programmes and actions under this Regulation shall mainstream climate change, environmental protection, gender equality, <b>the inclusion of persons with disabilities</b>, and shall address interlinkages between Sustainable Development Goals, to promote integrated actions that can create co-benefits and meet multiple objectives in a coherent way. These programmes and actions shall be based on an analysis of risks and vulnerabilities, integrate a resilience approach and be conflict sensitive. They shall be guided by the principle of leaving no one behind.</p>
<p>P 34, Article 11: Programming principles for geographic programmes</p> <p>5. Programming documents for geographic programmes shall be results-based and shall take into account, where appropriate, internationally agreed targets and indicators, in particular those set out for the Sustainable Development Goals, as well as country level result frameworks, to assess and communicate the Union contribution to results, at the level of outputs, outcomes and impact.</p>	<p>Article 11: Programming principles for geographic programmes</p> <p>5. Programming documents for geographic programmes shall be results-based and shall take into account, where appropriate, internationally agreed targets and indicators, in particular those set out for the Sustainable Development Goals, <b>country level result frameworks and disability markers</b> to assess and communicate the Union contribution to results, at the level of outputs, outcomes and impact.</p>
<p>P. 2, Annex II</p> <p>1. Good governance, democracy, rule of law and human rights</p> <p>(c) Promoting the fight against discrimination in all its forms, and the principle of equality, in</p>	<p>Annex II</p> <p>1. Good governance, democracy, rule of law and human rights</p> <p>(c) Promoting the fight against discrimination in all its forms, and the principle of equality, in particular gender equality, <b>disability inclusion</b></p>

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<p>P. 2, Annex II</p> <p>1. Good governance, democracy, rule of law and human rights</p> <p>(d) Supporting a thriving civil society and its role in reform processes and democratic transformations, and promoting an enabling space for civil society and citizens' engagement in political decision-making;</p>	<p>Annex II</p> <p>1. Good governance, democracy, rule of law and human rights</p> <p>(d) Supporting a thriving civil society, <b>with the inclusion of organisations of persons with disabilities</b>, and its role in reform processes and democratic transformations, and promoting an enabling space for civil society and citizens' engagement in political decision-making;</p>
<p>P. 2, Annex II</p> <p>1. Good governance, democracy, rule of law and human rights</p> <p>(j) Increasing transparency and accountability of public institutions, strengthening public procurement and public finance management, developing eGovernment and strengthening service delivery;</p>	<p>Annex II</p> <p>1. Good governance, democracy, rule of law and human rights</p> <p>(j) Increasing transparency and accountability of public institutions, strengthening public procurement <b>with accessibility and design for all users' criteria</b>, and public finance management, developing eGovernment and strengthening service delivery;</p>
<p>P. 2, Annex II</p> <p>2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(a) Eradicating poverty in all its dimensions, tackling discrimination and inequalities and leaving no-one behind;</p>	<p>Annex II</p> <p>2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(a) Eradicating poverty in all its dimensions, tackling discrimination and inequalities and leaving no-one behind, <b>including persons with disabilities</b>.</p>
<p>P. 2, Annex II</p> <p>2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(b) Enhancing efforts for the adoption of policies and appropriate investment to promote women and young people's rights, to facilitate their engagement in social, civic and EN 3 EN economic life, and to ensure their full contribution to inclusive growth and sustainable development;</p>	<p>Annex II</p> <p>2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(b) Enhancing efforts for the adoption of policies and appropriate investment to promote women, young people <b>and persons with disabilities'</b> rights, to facilitate their engagement in social, civic and EN 3 EN economic life, and to ensure their full contribution to inclusive growth and sustainable development;</p>
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<p>(c) Promoting the protection and fulfilment of women's and girls' rights, including economic, labour and social rights, and sexual and reproductive health and rights, and preventing sexual and gender-based violence in all forms;</p>	<p>(c) Promoting the protection and fulfilment of women's and girls' rights, <b>including women and girls with disabilities, focusing</b> on economic, labour and social rights, and sexual and reproductive health and rights, and preventing sexual and gender-based violence in all forms;</p>
<p>P. 3, Annex II 2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(d) Giving special attention to those who are disadvantaged, vulnerable and marginalised, inter alia children, older persons, persons with disabilities, LGBTI persons and indigenous peoples. This includes promoting the transition from institutional to community-based care for children;</p>	<p>Annex II 2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(d) Giving special attention to those who are disadvantaged, vulnerable and marginalised, inter alia children, older persons, persons with disabilities, LGBTI persons and indigenous peoples. This includes promoting the transition from institutional to community-based care for children <b>with and without disabilities;</b></p>
<p>P. 3, Annex II 2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(d) Promoting an integrated approach to supporting communities, particularly the poorest, in improving access to basic needs and services;</p>	<p>Annex II 2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(d) Promoting an integrated approach to supporting communities, particularly the poorest, in improving access to basic <b>and inclusive</b> needs and services;</p>
<p>P. 3, Annex II 2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(i) Achieving universal health coverage, with equitable access to quality and affordable health services, including through supporting the building of strong, quality and resilient health systems, and enhancing capacity for early warning, risk reduction, management and recovery;</p>	<p>Annex II 2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(i) Achieving universal health coverage, with equitable access to quality and affordable health services, including through supporting the building of <b>inclusive</b>, strong, quality and resilient health systems <b>that are accessible for all</b>, and enhancing capacity for early warning, risk reduction, management and recovery;</p>
<p>P. 3, Annex II 2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(k) Promoting inclusive sustainable urban development to address urban inequality, focusing on those most in need.</p>	<p>Annex II 2. Poverty eradication, fight against inequalities and human development</p> <p>(k) Promoting inclusive <b>and accessible</b> sustainable urban development to address urban inequality, focusing on those most in need.</p>

<p>P. 5, 5. Inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent employment</p> <p>(a) Supporting entrepreneurship, decent employment and employability through the development of skills and competences, including education, the improvement of labour standards and working conditions, and the creation of opportunities particularly for the youth;</p>	<p>5. Inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent employment</p> <p>(a) Supporting entrepreneurship, decent employment and employability through the development of skills and competences, including education, the improvement of labour standards and working conditions, and the creation of opportunities particularly for the youth <b>and vulnerable persons;</b></p>
<p>P. 9, Annex III</p> <p>1. AREAS OF INTERVENTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY</p> <p>Contributing to advancing the fundamental values of democracy, the rule of law, the universality and indivisibility of human rights, respect for human dignity, the principles of non-discrimination, equality and solidarity, and respect for the principles of the United Nations Charter and international law.</p>	<p>Annex III</p> <p>1. AREAS OF INTERVENTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY</p> <p>Contributing to advancing the fundamental values of democracy, the rule of law, the universality and indivisibility of human rights, respect for human dignity, the principles of non-discrimination, equality and solidarity, and respect for the principles of the United Nations Charter, <b>the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities</b> and international law.</p>
<p>P. 21, Annex VII</p> <p>LIST OF KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS</p> <p>All indicators shall be sex disaggregated whenever relevant.</p>	<p>All indicators shall be disaggregated <b>by sex and disability</b> whenever relevant.</p>