

Realising the global commitment to Leave No One Behind

Ensuring that persons with disabilities and other marginalised groups are included in development cooperation

Leaving No One Behind: General Recommendations

Moving forward with the overall implementation of Agenda 2030, we recommend all governments and relevant stakeholders to ensure:

Participation

1. Effective, consistent and continuous involvement, and participation of persons directly affected by marginalisation and exclusion including Disabled Persons' Organisations (DPOs) in implementation efforts. They are best placed to identify their own needs and know how to address them.

Accessibility

2. Accessibility is a pre-condition for the participation and inclusion of persons with disabilities. From the outset with universal design and the expectations of reasonable accommodation, ensure access to the built environment, transportation, information and communication, assistive technologies (AT) and new technologies for all.

Accountability

3. Clear responsibilities for the implementation of Agenda 2030 and share them publicly by publishing periodic reports and including indicators for tracking progress towards LNOB, including equity as a measure to track the impact of all programs.

Inclusive financing

4. State actors and multilaterals provide adequate financial resources to effectively implement the LNOB principle. This includes a) tracking investments in disability inclusion within mainstream development programmes (using the OECD DAC Policy Marker) and b) establishing dedicated funds to remove barriers to effective participation by persons with disabilities and their representative organisations in those programmes.

Data collection and disaggregation

5. The systematic collection of disaggregated and globally comparable data. As a minimum standard and recognising the existing capacities of national statistical systems, we recommend using the Washington Group Short Set of Questions and the Washington Group/UNICEF Child functioning model for SDG data disaggregation as a basis for data collection.

Leaving No One Behind: Global Partnerships

Recommendations to policymakers and donors

1. Engage in strategic partnerships with a wide range of multi-stakeholder organisations and organisations of persons with disabilities (DPOs), including parent organisations to further the inclusive agenda
2. Ensure meaningful representation of persons with a broad range of disabilities in all planning and policymaking activities.
3. Ensure space for civil society from grassroots to global level to realise sustainable impact at scale by supporting collaborative approaches, mobilisation and advocacy.
4. Advance more integrated, efficient, inclusive and effective approaches to financing.
5. Facilitate and support capacity-building, including through the exchange and sharing of information, experiences, training programmes and best practices.
6. Facilitate cooperation in research and access to scientific and technical knowledge.
7. Support and carry out global, regional and national data collection, capacity building and disaggregation of data by disability.