

Advocacy Fact Sheet: Global Disability Summit



What happens at the Global Disability Summit?

At the Global Disability Summits governments and organisations make global commitments to work on the human rights of people with disabilities.

In 2018 at the first summit in 170 governments and organisations made commitments.

They promised to change laws and systems in their countries so that people with disabilities are included, respected and treated equally.

What is the Global Disability Summit ?

The Global Disability Summit is a conference that happens every 4 years.

At the conference governments and the disability community come together to make commitments.

A commitment is a promise to work on something.

The commitments are about making the world better for people with disabilities.



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What are the commitments?

In 2018 and 2022, the commitments were about:

- Tackling discrimination
- Inclusive education
- Inclusive employment
- Technology and new ways of working
- Strengthening organisations of people with disabilities
- Inclusive healthcare
- Inclusion in situations of crises and conflict such as climate change
- Making sure women and girls are included

Useful links

[www://](#)



[The main Global disability Summit website](#)



[Easy Read explanation of the Global Disability Summit 2018 commitments](#)

How can people with disabilities take part?

During the Global Disability Summit, organisations of people with disabilities will talk about their experiences and give recommendations to governments.

Inclusion International members can take part in the Global Disability Summit:

- regional summits or pre-summits that are organised a few months before the main summit,
- main sessions,
- side events.

The role of organisations of people with disabilities is to:

- check their country's progress on the commitments
- suggest commitments to their Governments on issues that are important for them.