



# Global Disability Inclusion Report

## Easy to Understand Summary

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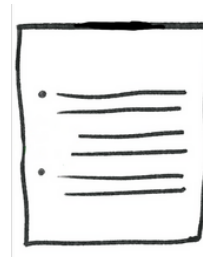


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## What is the Global Disability Inclusion Report?

The Global Disability Report is a big report about disability.



It talks about:

- What things are like for people with disabilities in 2025
- What governments and different types of organisations can do to make things better



It was made for the Global Disability Summit event.



This is a short version of the Global Disability Inclusion Report. It explains the main ideas.

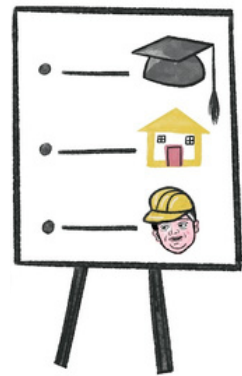


# Why is the Global Disability Inclusion Report important?

Even though people with disabilities have the same rights, we are still not treated equally.



It is important for governments to have good information about disability inclusion in different parts of our lives before the Global Disability Summit.



## What is in the report?

The report has 5 sections about big issues in our lives. This summary will tell you the big ideas in each part of the report.



It also has some advice on things different groups can do better. These are called recommendations.



# Chapter 1 - Diversity and Overlapping Identities

This chapter is about how the different parts of who we are might change what our experience is like.



For example, our gender, how old we are, how much money we have, and what we look like.



These things might change what disability is like for a person.



We need different solutions to respond to the diversity of persons with disabilities.



## Chapter 2 - What helps countries to follow the CRPD?

Over the last 10 years governments have done many things to ensure they follow the CRPD, but some challenges are still there.



Things that have been done are:

### Changing their laws to be better for people with disabilities

Many countries have laws for people with disabilities, but not all match the CRPD.



Governments focus more on things like accessibility, health, and employment, but less on decision-making rights.



Some laws don't explain how to make sure they're followed, or what happens if they aren't.



## Setting up groups to check on how the CRPD is applied

Many countries have set up groups to check on how the CRPD is applied.



Governments often don't give these groups enough power or resources to do their work properly.



These groups don't always include organisations of persons with disabilities.



## Collecting data about people with disabilities

Countries are collecting more data on people with disabilities, but they don't always use it to make changes.



We need more data about barriers to inclusion and support needs.



Different parts of the government should share information with each other about people with disabilities.

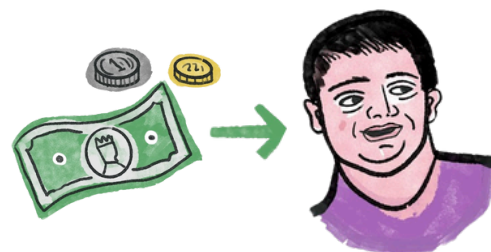


## Spending money on programmes that help people with disabilities

Countries are spending more money on programs to help people with disabilities.



Countries are spending more on giving money directly to people with disabilities so that they can buy the support they need.



This is still not enough to ensure all persons with disabilities are included.





## Chapter 3 - Global Trends

'Global trends' are big things happening around the world that are changing people's lives.



These are:

### Climate change

People with disabilities are more affected by climate change.



Climate emergencies make it harder for them to stay healthy, have money, and be part of their communities.



They are often left out of plans about emergencies.



Including people with disabilities in these plans helps them cope and makes society more inclusive.



Ways to include them could be giving people money in emergencies, and making buildings and transport accessible.



## Technology

Technology can help people with disabilities get information, communicate, and join activities.



People can also do jobs or start businesses online.



However, some people don't have access to technology, which can make things unfair.



Technology might replace people's jobs, and new technology like AI could be unsafe.

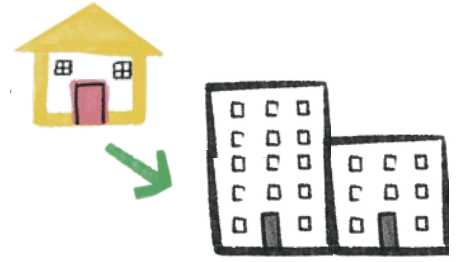


Including people with disabilities in designing technology can help solve these problems and make it better for everyone.

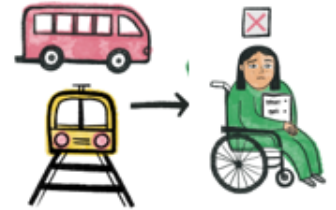


## Urbanisation

Urbanisation means more people are living in cities instead of rural areas.



Cities can have better services like healthcare, schools, and work opportunities, but life in cities is still hard for people with disabilities.



Many cities are not designed to be accessible, including things like housing and transport.



There are also problems in cities that affect everyone, like high living costs, homelessness, less support, being lonely, and pollution.



To fix these problems, we need designs, services, and support that work for everyone, including people with disabilities.



## Migration and displacement

Migration is when people move to a new place.



Displacement is when people are forced to move when something bad happens



Moving is harder for people with disabilities because of unfair rules, lack of money, and complicated processes.



When people with disabilities are forced to move, they face risks like violence, losing assistive devices, or not getting support.



Being comfortable in a new place depends on if services are accessible and if people have good attitudes toward disability and migration.



## Care and support

People are living for longer so there are more older people who need care and support.



Governments haven't done enough to make sure services include people with disabilities.



Most care work is done for free by women and girls, which is unfair and keeps people unequal.



People with disabilities have the right to live independently and make their own decisions.



Without good care and support plans, people don't get what they need or have their rights respected.



Lots of people are worried that new care plans will support institutions instead of independent living.



To fix these problems, people with disabilities, women, and caregivers must be involved in decisions about making better care and support systems.



## **Crises and emergencies**

Emergencies are harder for people with disabilities.



They are at more risk of dying, experiencing violence, not having enough money and losing access to services

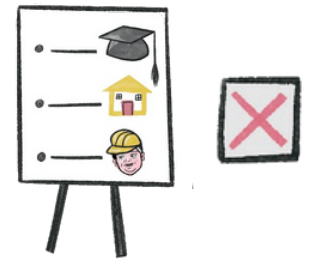


We need inclusive emergency plans and support to make sure people stay safe in crisis.



## Chapter 4 - Making Inclusion Happen Faster

Lots of countries are not doing enough to protect the rights of people with disabilities.



This is because they don't have enough resources, their governments don't see inclusion as a priority, or they don't have clear plans.



To make real change, we need to include people with disabilities from the start, not wait until later.



Here are things countries can do to make inclusion happen faster:

- Make places and services accessible.
- Fight discrimination with better laws and chances for everyone to work together.
- Build fair care and support systems that support people to live independently and make their own decisions.



- Make sure assistive technology is affordable, good quality, and available to more people.
- Making sure people with disabilities and organisations of people with disabilities can take part in important decisions.



## Chapter 5 - Paying for Inclusion

Many countries do not spend enough money to support people with disabilities.



To fix this, different parts of the government need to work together and spend more so that people with disabilities can access services equally with others.



They need support from other countries and creative ways to get money can help make sure people with disabilities are included.



It's important to use good information, listen to people with disabilities, and make sure OPDs are included in conversations about paying for inclusion





# Recommendations

The report tells us how we can include people with disabilities better.



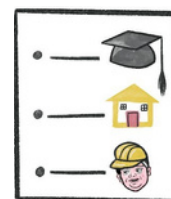
There are six big recommendations for what we can do better.



**1** Make laws match the CRPD



**2** Get more information about people with disabilities



**3** Make things more accessible and inclusive of persons with disabilities



**4** Make sure people with disabilities get good support



**5** Spend money to make inclusion real



**6** Work together to make inclusion happen

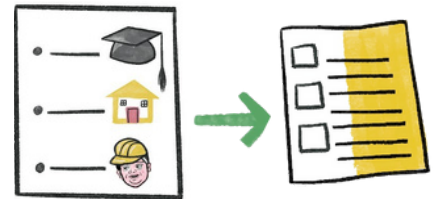


## What Governments should do:

- Make sure laws and policies follow the CRPD



- Use information they collect about people with disabilities when developing policies and programs



- Ensure money for accessibility and inclusion is available when designing policies and programs



- Develop support services that respond to each person's needs and ensure deinstitutionalisation



- Check on how the money is spent and ensure more money is available for inclusive services through all ministries



- Make sure all ministries have persons and groups working on disability



## What Organisations of Persons with Disabilities should do:

- Share the information they have on barriers and experiences of persons with disabilities and advocate for a better use of the data



- Work closely with the government and others when developing programs and services to make sure they are accessible and inclusive of all people with disabilities



- Work with the government to ensure the services they create respond to everyone and respect their rights



- Advocate for a better use of the money and participate actively in discussions on how the money is spent

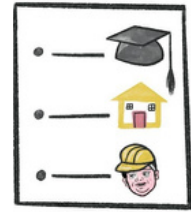


- Make sure women, children and most excluded persons with disabilities are part of decision making discussions



## What organisations working on disability should do:

- Support the collection of information by providing trainings and money



- Support the work of governments and Organisations of Persons with Disabilities



- Provide money and trainings to governments and others to help make things accessible and inclusive



- Help the creation of new services that are available in many places



- Share good examples on how money is spent to make inclusion real



- Share good examples of working with Organisations of Persons with Disabilities and provide trainings and money to help that everyone work together



## **What universities should do:**

- More research on how people with disabilities are really included



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