



Concept Note:

Technical Workshop on alliances for SDG implementation and monitoring, in line with the CRPD

Hanoi, Vietnam
December 10-15th, 2017

Background

Inspired by the BRIDGE CRPD – SDG Training Initiative, the current proposal is aimed to foster opportunities in order to strengthen the technical capacity and empower organisations of persons with disabilities (DPOs) and disability advocates to develop an inclusive and comprehensive CRPD perspective on development, focusing on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, inclusive of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), to reinforce their advocacy for inclusion of persons with disabilities.

The workshop will combine experience of persons with disabilities from Vietnam and regional and international experiences from IDA and IDDC members from outside Vietnam both on the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) and on inclusive development, and how these areas link to achieving the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.

The workshop aims to support organisations of persons with disabilities (DPOs) to better exercise the interrelationship between SDGs and the CRPD and to report to UN monitoring mechanisms and engage with them.

The curriculum is also built to support DPOs to make the most of the SDG momentum, to further implement the CRPD and use the CRPD to frame implementation of the SDGs; with the aim to equip DPOs to prepare a comprehensive report on the SDGs national implementation and monitoring, in line with the CRPD.

Rationale

In the next several years, Vietnam is in the unique position of conducting multiple reviews of their national level progress towards CRPD and SDG implementation. Vietnam has currently volunteered as one of the 48 countries to report at the 2018 High-level Political Forum on their SDG implementation, will be reporting under the Universal Periodic Review in 2019, and additionally, is preparing its initial report to be submitted to the CRPD Committee.

With these upcoming reviews in mind, this workshop in Vietnam will be centred on the monitoring of SDG implementation, with a strong focus on the CRPD and reporting processes within Vietnam's national context. The 6 days' workshop from December 10th-15th 2017 will be organized by

the Vietnamese Federation on Disabilities (VFD), and will be facilitated and led by the International Disability Alliance (IDA).

The workshop will include about 15 participants with disabilities from Vietnam, 5 invited participants from surrounding countries, and key partners – that will attend some of the sessions - in approximately a total of 40 people, including support providers and interpreters.

The training will be delivered in English, and will be simultaneously interpreted into Vietnamese and Vietnamese Sign Language.

Objective

To develop the capacities of DPOs advocates from Vietnam to engage and take action to ensure national level SDG implementation and regional/global review processes fully include persons with disabilities, promoting an inclusive and comprehensive CRPD perspective on development.

Expected outcomes

Participants will be able to meaningfully:

- Better articulate linkages between the CRPD and the SDGs,
- Engage in the monitoring processes of CRPD and SDGs, including with production of a comprehensive report, particularly within the Voluntary National Review process, the High-level Political Forum and the CRPD Committee,
- Engage with a diverse group of persons with disabilities from Vietnam and surrounding countries,
- Engage in further capacity development of DPOs - using inclusive methodology for cross disability movement building and joint advocacy

Participants

The workshop will bring together a diverse group of leaders with disabilities and disability advocates from across Vietnam.

We expect candidates to prepare a comprehensive report and meaningfully engage in the Voluntary National Review processes towards the High-level Political Forum next year, through sharing information, conducting research, coordinating and collaborating with other DPOs.

To reflect the diversity of the disability community, particular consideration will be taken to involve leaders from the following constituencies:

- youth with disabilities,
- people with intellectual disabilities,
- people with psychosocial disabilities,
- indigenous peoples with disabilities,
- persons with disabilities from minority cultural or linguistic groups,
- persons with autism,
- persons with disabilities from rural or remote areas, among others.

A final report will be produced and shared with IDA & IDDC members, and relevant partners.

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