UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France
Room V
8-10 July 2014

PROGRAMME

Objectives of the Meeting:
 To produce specific and general recommendations for strengthening disability data and statistics in the short term and medium term.
 Draft specific recommendations on disability data and statistics that could be included in the Secretary General’s report
 Review recommendations on targets and indicators on disability in the post-2015 development agenda and make recommendations for next steps

Day 1: 08 July 2014, Tuesday

08:30 to 09:15 Registration
09.15 to 09.45 Overview of the EGM, its objectives and adoption of agenda
09:45 to 10:00 Opening Remarks by DESA and Welcome remarks by UNESCO
10:00 to 10:15 Introduction of participants

Plenary session: Review of the status of disability data and statistics
(What work is currently under-way, vision of the short, medium and long term goals, what can be done?)

10.15 to 10.45 Presentations (10 minutes each) followed by general discussion:

• Lessons from the Millennium Development Goals process and the implications for way ahead - Ms. Nora Groce, Medical Anthropologist, LCD
• Review of existing tools for disability data collection - Ms. Jennifer Madans, Associate Director for Science, National Centre for Health Statistic
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Disability data and statistics, monitoring and evaluation:
the way forward, a disability inclusive agenda towards 2015 and beyond

10.45 to 11.00 Coffee break

11:00 to 13:00 Focus Group One: Improving international comparability of
disability data, analysis and reporting of information on persons
with disabilities

11.00 to 11.35 Presentations (10 minutes each) followed by discussion:

- Introduction to the Model Disability Survey by Ms. Aleksandra
  Posarac, World Bank
- Country experience on data collection on disabilities: The case in
  Brazil – Mr Alexandre Fernandes Barbosa, Head of the Regional
  Center for Studies on the Development of the Information Society,
  CETIC.br
- How can the collection and use of disability data across the Indo-
  Pacific be strengthened?“

This session may be organized in 3 breakout groups to come up with specific recommendations
both for short, medium/long term:

11.30 to 13.00 BREAKOUT GROUPS:

A. Data requirements, challenges and limitations (Generating demand for disability data
and statistics (how can this be done? What are the key challenges? What can be done in
the short, medium and long term? Preparation for 2020 Census?)
Moderator: Mr. Daniel Mont, Principal Research Associate, University College London
(Department of Epidemiology and Public Health)

B. Measuring disability (existing and new tools? Are these sufficient? Should
recommendations and guidelines for collecting data be revised? What are the
shortcomings? What are the common comparability issues? What are the current gaps
in the coverage of topics?)
Moderator: Ms. Jennifer Madans, Associate Director for Science, National Centre for
Health Statistics

C. Dissemination and reporting. Strengthening linkages at the national, regional and
global levels (what happens to data collected? How can the data gathered be
coordinated at the national level? How to improve timeliness of reporting of data
collected? Reporting of data through appropriate global mechanisms?
Moderator: Ms Tatiana Jereissati, Coordinator of UNESCO Projects, Sectorial Studies
and Data Quality at the Regional Center for Studies on the Development of the
Information Society, CETIC.br

13:00 to 14:30 Lunch break
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14:30 to 15:30  Focus Group One continued...
15:30 to 15:45  Coffee break
15:45 – 17:00  Presentation from breakout sessions and general discussion
17:00 – 17:30  Conclusion of day one

Day 2: 09 July 2014, Wednesday

09:00 to 09:30  Arrival of participants
9:30 to 10.45  **Data Collection and New Technological Solutions: Opportunities and Constraints** (see concept note for this section for more details)

Facilitator: Mr. Brennenraedts, Partner, Dialogic (The Netherlands)

Presentations
- **Mr. Brennenraedts**, Partner, Dialogic on Big data for development
- **Mr. Davide Storti**, UNESCO (The Caribbean region) – Open data – open solutions
- **Mr. Bhanu Neupane**, UNESCO on Open Access strategy to scientific data
- **Mr. Winston Oyadomari**, Senior Survey Analyst at the Regional Center for Studies on the Development of the Information Society, CETIC.br, and **Ms. Tatiana Jereissati**, Coordinator of UNESCO Projects, Sectorial Studies and Data Quality at the Regional Center for Studies on the Development of the Information Society, CETIC.br

General discussion and draft recommendations

10.45 to 11.00  Coffee break
11:00 to 13:00  **Focus Group Two: Disability and the post-2015 development agenda**
11.00 to 11.30  Presentations (10 minutes each):

- Overview of the post-2015 development processes and entry points for disability inclusion in the new development agenda – Shifaana Thowfeeq, UNDESA
- Recommendations for inclusion of disability targets and indicators in
the post-2015 development frameworks - Mr. Daniel Mont, Principal Research Associate, University College London (Department of Epidemiology and Public Health):

- Social Indicators on the state of the implementation of the CRPD – Mr. Micheal Fembek, Head of Project/Director, Zero project, ESSL foundation

11.45 to 13.00
This session may be organized in 2/3 breakout groups

Group A – Indicators for disability targets currently present in the zero draft (Goal 4 Education, Goal 8 Employment, Goal 11 accessible cities).

Group B - Possible indicators for the future monitoring of the post-2015 agenda for persons with disabilities.

Each group will have a set of potential indicators* for disability inclusive development. During the breakout session each group will identify for their list of indicators, conceptual and methodological tools for measuring the target; existing and potential data for measurement, is it viable? Potential for future; limitations and recommendations.

(*Please refer to background document goals, targets and indicators inclusive of persons with disabilities)

Against the backdrop of the post-2015 development agenda the session will come up with:

1. One set of indicators to correspond to the targets currently present in the OWG zero draft and
2. Second set to address all possible targets for the future post 2015 agenda

13.00 to 14.30 Lunch Break

14.30 to 15.30 Focus Group Two continued...

15.30 to 15.45 Coffee break

15.45 to 16.45 Presentation from breakout sessions and general discussion

16.45 to 17.30 Conclusion of day two
Day 3: 10 July 2014, Thursday

09:00 to 09:15  Arrival of participants

09.30 to 10.45  Review and drafting of the recommendations from Focus Group 1 and Focus Group 2

10.45 to 11.00  Coffee break

11.00 to 12.00  Drafting of recommendations continued...

12.00 to 12.45  Adoption of the recommendation from the expert group meeting and discussions of next steps

12.45 to 13.00  Closing

Some key questions for consideration by experts

1. A set of questions have been developed by the Washington Group and are used by a number of countries. How can we effectively implement this set of questions in the 2020 Census round and other instruments such as household surveys to generate globally comparable statistics of disability?

2. Once the questions are added, how can analysis of data be facilitated in a consistent way? What specifically would countries need to ensure viable analysis of raw data?

3. Data that is gathered and analyzed need to be reported to appropriate mechanisms for analysis, monitoring and evaluation. What are such mechanisms? How can we ensure data is utilized in a timely manner?

4. How can national statistics on disability be mainstreamed into the regular reporting mechanisms of national planning ministries and of the United Nations so that they are readily available in the preparation of reports, such as Reports on internationally agreed development goals and other development statistics and indicators?