



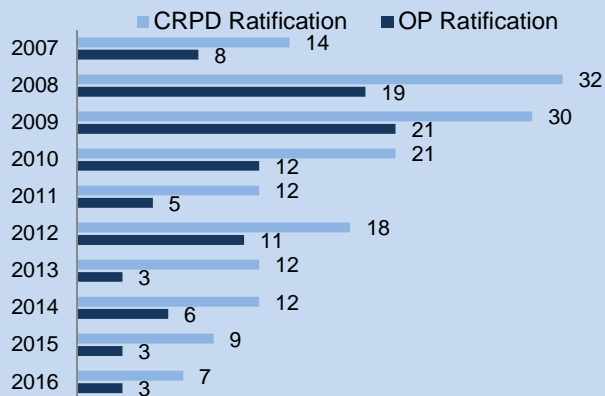
United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)

The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) and its Optional Protocol (OP) were adopted on 13 December 2006, as the first comprehensive human rights treaty of the 21st century. It entered into force on 3 May 2008. **2016 marks the 10-year anniversary of the CRPD.**

Ratifications to the CRPD and OP by Year

87% UN Members States have ratified the CRPD (168)

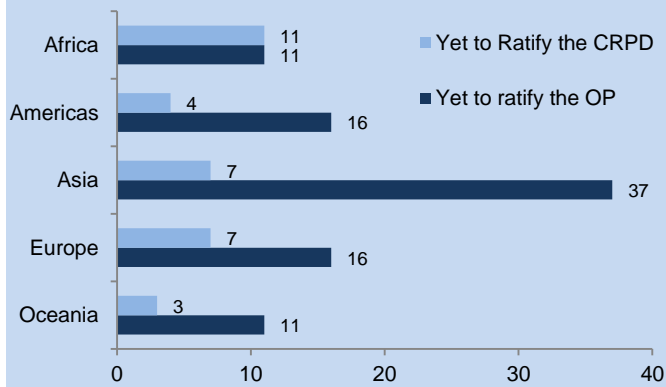
47% UN Member States have ratified the OP (91)



Member States yet to ratify the CRPD and OP

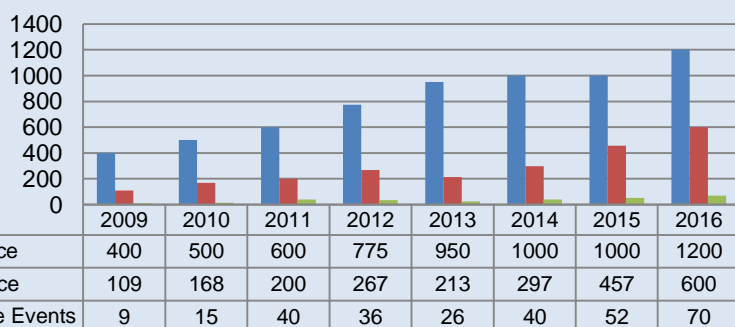
26 UN Members States have yet to ratify the CRPD

98 UN Members States have yet to ratify the OP



The Conference of State Parties (COSP) to the CRPD

The COSP is the largest and most diverse international disability meeting in the world. It provides a launching pad to advance the human rights and inclusion of persons with disabilities in society and development. The annual Conference sees participation from Government delegations, UN Agencies, Civil Society and non-governmental organisations, National Human Rights Institutes, and Disabled Persons Organisations, and has grown in recent years.



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- 15 - Freedom of torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment
- 16 - Freedom from exploitation, violence and abuse
- 17 - Protecting the integrity of the person
- 18 - Liberty of movement and nationality
- 19 - Living independently and being included in the community
- 20 - Personal mobility
- 21 - Freedom of expression and opinion, and access to information
- 22 - Respect for privacy
- 23 - Respect for home and the family
- 24 - Education
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- 26 - Habilitation and rehabilitation
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Full Convention available for download at www.un.org/disabilities

The Committee of the CRPD

The Committee of the CRPD is the body of independent experts which monitors implementation of the Convention by States Parties. There are 18 members of the Committee. Currently, they represent the following regions:

