



Expert Group Meeting

Advancing the Rights and Perspectives of Women and Girls with Disabilities in Development and Society

UN DESA/DPSD in collaboration with UN ECLAC
Raúl Prébisch Hall, ECLAC, Santiago de Chile
15-17 November 2016

Programme of Work

Day 1 – Tuesday, 15 November – Raúl Prébisch Hall

08.30 – 09.00	Registration
09.00 – 09:30	Welcome and opening remarks Simone Cecchini, Social Development Division, ECLAC Ma. Nieves Rico, Director, Gender Affairs Division, ECLAC Antonio Prado, Deputy Executive Secretary, ECLAC Akiko Ito, Chief, Secretariat to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, DPSD/DESA
09.30 – 9:45	Introduction of participants
9:45 – 10:00	Overview of Meeting, its objectives and adoption of agenda – Ms. Miranda Fajerman

Session I. Objective: To review good practices and draw lessons learned from experiences in the promotion of gender responsive and disability inclusive development

10:00 – 11:00	Session I. Review of existing mechanisms and measures to advance gender responsive and disability inclusive development, including existing technical assistance programs, funding mechanisms and mainstreaming efforts
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Presentations (10 minutes each) followed by discussion

1. Overview of existing international development frameworks – Ms. Akiko Ito
2. Opportunities to use the CRPD comments, good practices and persistent gaps – Ms. Maria Soledad Cisternas
3. Existing networks and partnerships – review of the position of women and girls with disabilities vis-à-vis other groups – Ms. Rangita De Silva
4. Addressing cross-sectionalities in implementing international development goals for women and girls with disabilities – Hon. Heba Hagrass

5. Experiences in responding to the specific needs of women and girls with disabilities in disasters and humanitarian crises – Ms. Stephanie Ortoleva

11.00 – 11.15

Coffee break

11.15 – 12.30

Breakout session I – Taking stock, lessons learned from past experiences

Group 1. *Lessons learned from inter-governmental processes, including the formulation of the SDGs (What are the key lessons learned from attention and position of women and girls with disabilities vis-à-vis other groups? What are persistent challenges and barriers to effectively including gender responsive and disability inclusive approaches?)*

Moderator: Ms. Ana Pelaez (Spanish/English, Raúl Prébisch Hall)

Group 2. *Identification of successful strategies and good practices in the implementation of internationally agreed development goals and instruments such as the CRPD, CEDAW and CRC in Africa, Asia and Europe (What are the key good practices and scalable approaches from past experiences in the formulation and implementation of gender and disability mainstreaming in development policies and practices? How has the intersectionality of gender and disability been effectively addressed in practice? How can successful approaches be applied across national and regional contexts?)*

Moderator: Ms. Gabriele Weigt (English, Room Z-409)

Group 3. *Identification of successful strategies and good practices in the implementation of internationally agreed development goals and instruments such as the CRPD, CEDAW and CRC in the Americas (What are the key good practices and scalable approaches from past experiences in the formulation and implementation of gender and disability mainstreaming in development policies and practices? How has the intersectionality of gender and disability been effectively addressed in practice? How can successful approaches be applied across national and regional contexts?)*

Moderator: Ms. Gabriela Troiano (Spanish, Room Z-407)

12:30-13:30

LUNCH

13:30-14:30

Continuation of group discussions

14:30-15:30 Presentation of breakout session and general discussion

15:30-15:45 Coffee break

Session II. Objective: To develop a set of recommendations and action points to address persistent barriers to the empowerment of women and girls with disabilities and build synergies between gender equality and disability inclusion initiatives, actions and actors (Raúl Prébisch Hall)

15:45-16:45 **Session II.** Empowering women and girls with disabilities by breaking down silos

Presentations (10 minutes each) and discussion

1. A national perspective from Chile -- Hon. Claudia Pascual Grau
2. New opportunities and challenges presented by the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development – Ms. Maribel Derjani-Bayeh
3. Strengthening voice and visibility of women and girls – Ms. Carolyn Frohmader
4. Innovative partnerships/opportunities to break down silos - Ms. Jolly Acen

Day 2 - Wednesday, 16 November

Session II continued

9:00-10:30 **Breakout session II** – Mechanisms, processes and requirements for implementation of the 2030 Agenda for women and girls with disabilities

Group 1. *Mainstreaming requirements (What are the necessary processes and mechanisms to break down silos and ensure gender and disability are mainstreamed in development? What are the immediate priorities? What interventions are required?)*

Moderator: Ms. Iris Salinas (Spanish, ILPES Room 2)

Group 2. *Partnerships to amplify the voices of women with disabilities and strengthen mainstreaming (What existing and future partnerships could be fostered/developed to promote mainstreaming and targeted actions? What is the role of different stakeholders in promoting this? How can partnerships between various players be better fostered to produce tangible results for women and girls with disabilities in the work on disability, and the work on gender equality and women's empowerment?)*

Moderator: Ms. Venus Ilagan (English, Z-409)

Group 3. Role of data, monitoring and reporting in strengthening visibility and responsive decision-making and programming for women and girls with disabilities
Moderator: UNSD/Deborah Stienstra (English/Spanish, Raúl Prébisch Hall)

10:30-10:45 - Coffee break

10:45-12:30 - Continuation of group discussions

12:30-13:30 LUNCH

13:30-14:30 Presentation of recommendations from breakout session II and discussion

Session III. Objective: Formulate a roadmap for operationalizing the 2030 Agenda for women and girls with disabilities using the Latin America and the Caribbean region as an example (Raúl Prébisch Hall)

14.30 – 15.30 **Session III.** Review of key challenges and opportunities to ensure women and girls with disabilities are not left behind in the operationalization of the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean

Presentations (10 minutes each) and discussion

1. Regional trends in disability-inclusive development: challenges and opportunities – Ms. Heidi Ullmann
2. Regional trends vis-à-vis global developments – Ms. Maria Veronica Reina
3. Strengthening institutional frameworks to accelerate the implementation of national-level legislation to promote the inclusion of women and girls with disabilities : making the right real in LAC – Ms. Pamela Molina Toledo
4. Education and employment for women and girls with disabilities: advancing inclusion and autonomy – Mr. Daniel Concha
5. Making health promotion inclusive: the case for sexual and reproductive health rights of youth with disabilities in Latin America – Mr. Sergio Meresman
6. Interseccionalidad de discapacidad, género, and ethnicity in LAC – Ms. Olga Montufar

15.30– 16.30 **Breakout session III** - Translating global development goals into regional and national programs and actions in Latin America and the Caribbean

Group 1. *Regional processes and partnerships (What are the existing partnerships and processes in Latin America and the Caribbean to strengthen development outcomes for women and girls with disabilities? What are the normative and operational linkages between the 2030 Agenda and existing programmes in Latin America and the Caribbean as well as in other regions? What are the current gaps in mechanisms, institutions and partnerships? How can these be addressed?)*

Moderator: Dr. Armando Vasquez (Spanish, ILPES Room 2)

Group 2. *What are scalable good practices, tools and strategies from around the world to improve disability mainstreaming in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda? How can these be utilized in Latin America and the Caribbean?*

Moderator: Ms. Lotta Göller (English/Spanish, Raúl Prébisch Hall)

16.30 – 16.45	Coffee break
16.45 – 17.30	Presentation from breakout groups in Session III and discussion

Day 3 – Thursday, 17 November

09.30 – 10.30	Breakout groups from Session II reconvene (Raúl Prébisch Hall)
10.30 – 10.45	Coffee break
10.45 – 12:30	Presentation of conclusions and adoption of recommendations from Session II
12:30-13:30	LUNCH
13:30-14:30	Next steps
