

INVITATION

The Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights Of Persons With Disabilities (SCRPD/DSPD/UN DESA) would like to invite you to a discussion group

THE INFORMAL NETWORK ON DISABILITY STATISTICS FOR INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday 4 March, 1.15-2.45 PM
The Secretariat, Floor 27, Conference Room S-2727

THE INFORMAL NETWORK ON DISABILITY STATISTICS FOR INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT seeks to bring together all stakeholders working to strengthen the quality and availability of internationally comparable disability data and statistics. It is an initiative towards the implementation of the outcome document of the General Assembly High-Level Meeting on Disability and Development (HLMDD), convened in September 2013. In this outcome document, Member States articulated the clear need for accurate disability data collection, analysis and monitoring for development policy planning, implementation and evaluation.

OBJECTIVE OF THE MEETING

The 45th session of the Statistical Commission will discuss Disability Statistics under agenda item 3 (i) on Wednesday 5 March (3 - 6 PM). Prior to this, the Division for Social Policy and Development (DSPD), UN DESA in collaboration with the Washington Group on Disability Statistics will organize this meeting to engage all stakeholders in an informal discussion on the collection, analysis and reporting of internationally comparable disability statistics through existing data collection and reporting mechanisms. The discussion includes a presentation on the current status of disability data and next steps.

RSVP The Meeting is open to all interested Member States, entities of the United Nations system, and civil society, in particular, Organizations of Persons with Disabilities (DPOs). Delegates attending the Statistical Commission, including representatives of National Statistical Offices are particularly encouraged to attend, to share their national experiences and engage in the discussion. For further information and to RSVP, please contact Shifaana Thowfeequ (thowfeequ@un.org) and Manou Zonderland (zonderland@un.org).