DISABILITY and DEVELOPMENT

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Dr. Linamara’s Message

Today focus is no longer on “what” needs to be done, but on “when” and “how” we can achieve what is needed.
When?

Now!
How?

By creating governamental agencies (Secretariat, Coordination, Directory...) at all levels.
Fact I

Results have grown exponentially after the creation of our Secretariat four years ago!
Cities in the State of São Paulo that created local agencies are moving much faster than the ones that haven’t!
Our Proposal I

UN to foster the creation of agencies in member countries.
Our Proposal II

Most important: to foster the creation of agencies at state and, especially at city levels.
Our Proposal III

Creation of a new UN division or empowerment of an existing one to be the head of this network.
Following UN Steps I

Establishing parameters and frameworks for the network and its member parts (UN division and agencies at national, state and city levels), considering differences in development, population, resources etc.
Following UN Steps II

Setting indexes and data to be provided by agencies at each level, as well as an on-line based platform for inputs and best practices’ sharing.
Expected Results

We are sure that, as experienced in the State of São Paulo, the implementation of the Convention and of the World Report on Disability will gain extra momentum!
Thank you!

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