



Making Development Inclusive

Learning experiences from policy design and implementation through the German Development Cooperation

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GIZ Sector Project Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities

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1. Retrospective

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BMZ policy paper 'Disability and Development'

human rights dimension and the twin-track approach

2008

German Action Plan on Human Rights

disability rights as an essential activity

2010

GIZ sector project's start of operation

include persons with disabilities into German development cooperation

2011

German National Action Plan for UNCRPD implementation

16 measures concerning the international cooperation

2013

BMZ Action Plan on the Inclusion of persons with disabilities

10 fields of action, more than 40 measures







2. The Action Plan of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

- Duration: 3 years, 2013-2015
- Strategic objectives:
 - 1) Raising the level of commitment within the ministry and implementing organizations
 - 2) Strengthening the inclusion of persons with disabilities in cooperation with **partners in partner countries**
 - 3) Extending **cooperation** with civil society, the private sector, and multilateral organisations
- Content: 10 fields of action and more than 40 concrete measures







- The Action Plan | principles for intervention
- Applying a social and human rights model of disability
- Applying a twin-track approach
 - a) offering specific support to persons with disabilities
 - b) including the interests of persons with disabilities in running projects / removing barriers in the society
- Respecting the heterogeneity of persons with disabilities, their needs and capabilities
- Gender-sensitive design and implementation
- Participation of concerned persons and their organisations







The Action Plan | Mid-term monitoring (autumn 2014)

Achievements

- Around 80 % of initiatives currently implemented with varying degree of progress; diverse resource allocation
- Numerous activities initiated beyond the activities in the Action Plan
- Additional resources mobilized (financial and personnel)
- Increased number of experts on inclusion and focal points within German development Cooperation
- 36 projects in 21 countries currently include disability aspects

Remaining challenges

- Systematics and sustainability
- Measurability of inclusive development projects
- Common understanding and criteria for inclusion



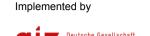




- 3. Learning experiences (examples for intervention)
- Socio-environmental standards and skills training | Bangladesh
 Rehabilitation, skill training and inclusion in the RMG and textile sector
- Social Health Protection | Cambodia
 Improving early identification; access to health services; awareness raising
- Vocational training | Namibia
 Supporting Namibia's Training Authority in developing adapted vocational training; facilitate access, qualification of trainers; reduce (physical) barriers
- Organisational development | Togo
 Skill training, organisational development and mainstreaming across GIZ's programs







Learning experiences (1)

Awareness, skills and knowledge of individual staff is crucial but have to be translated into structures and functions

Over the past years we developed the following functions:

- Advisor to the African Union Commission (Possible through cooperation with Finland)
- Regional Advisor for Asia
- Focal Persons for disability inclusion at project level
- Technical advisors at head office level
- The sector project "Inclusion of persons with disabilities"







Learning experiences (2)

- Cooperating with NGOs and DPOs on different levels increases credibility, flexibility and reactivity
- Cooperation, personal meetings and exchange of experiences between GIZ, staff, Government structures, NGOs and DPOs
- (International) NGOs and DPO (federations) provide the experience and expertise in site for larger programs with multiple objectives and requirements
- Local NGO and DPO structures are key to reveal and implement local approaches and solutions







Learning experiences (cooperating with DPOs)

Planning and implementation process of the BMZ-Action Plan | Germany

Close cooperation though round tables and expert panel

1st International DPO Forum 2015 in Berlin | Global

Exchange of DPOs and NGOs from Africa, Asia and Europe

Political Participation | Tunisia

• Strengthening the rights of persons with disabilities in the democratization and election process (implemented through Handicap International)

Political Participation | Senegal /South Africa / Rwanda

Capacity Development for DPOs in Cooperation with SADPD







Implemented by

Learning experiences (3)

Evidence is key for changing structures towards inclusive development

This includes various dimensions:

- It builds the basis for debate and contructive dialogue and allows informed planning
- Joining forces with other stakeholders to produce reliable and up to date data on disability, inclusion and participation
 - Applied research concerning inclusive social protection and education | Peru/Tansania/Malawi/Guatemala / NGOs and DPOs being part of the research consortia
- Measuring participation and quality of life of persons with disabilities
- Criteria, instruments and approaches to measure change in development activities







4. Outlook: Joined forces for anchoring inclusion

2016: Learning from evaluation, setting out for a follow-up strategy

- Final BMZ-report on the implementation of the Action Plan
- External evaluation as basis for a follow-up strategy
- Close and confidential dialogue with the "thematic team"
- Public dialogue and exchange of information at the Round Table
- Exchange with other national and international stakeholders
- Improved coordination of activities for the realisation of inclusion within the processes of the 2030 Agenda





Thank you

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