

Leave no one behind!

Mainstreaming Disability in Humanitarian Action

Project Partners

The project is a joint undertaking by **Handicap International e.V. (HI)**, **Christoffel Blindenmission e.V. (CBM)** and the **Ruhr-University Bochum's Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict (IFHV)**.

For this project, HI and CBM have combined their expertise and many years of experience in inclusive humanitarian action in order to pass it on to civil society organisations in Germany.

The IFHV is a leading academic institution with extensive research experience in the field of humanitarian studies and international law. It is also a member of the European inter-university Network on Humanitarian Action (NOHA).

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All our services are free of charge.



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Our Goals

Persons with disabilities are disproportionately affected by humanitarian crises and natural disasters. Environmental, institutional and attitudinal barriers prevent them from accessing humanitarian assistance.

Using a comprehensive and needs-oriented set of activities, the project supports humanitarian actors in ensuring equal and effective participation and protection for persons with disabilities.

Important developments were already made in Germany during the first project phase 1 (2016-2018) thanks to its provision of various seminars and technical support.

In phase 2, we want to build onto these achievements. We are working to advance the inclusion of disability in humanitarian coordination mechanisms, to strengthen the capacities of German actors and their local partners, and to improve data collection on the inclusion of persons with disabilities.

What We Do

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Support for the development of **global guidelines**

Capacity building for German actors and their local partners

Applied accompanying research on change processes

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Global Guidelines

- Support for the **finalisation** and the **launch** of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee's (IASC) **Guidelines on the Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action**
- **Incorporation of the results** gained from applied accompanying research and capacity building in **global coordination mechanisms**

Capacity Building

- **In-house and out-house seminars** for senior management
- **Sector-specific introductory and consolidation seminars** for programme managers, officers, technical advisors and their local partners in the field
- **Inclusion audits**
- **Coaching** and selected **technical support** through a “help desk”
- Establishment of a **peer-learning platform** and **e-learning modules**
- Formation of a **“Technical Advisory Committee”**, a forum for inclusive humanitarian action in Germany

Applied Accompanying Research

- Research on political, programmatic and organisational factors that promote inclusion in humanitarian action:
 - **Literature review** and **database** on the mainstreaming of disability
 - **Field research**, especially “process tracing” and “case studies” on the changes observed in participating organisations
 - **Documenting “good practices”** and collecting “lessons learnt”

Universities & Events

- Establishment of **disability as a cross-cutting issue in the academic curricula** of Bachelor and Master programmes on humanitarian action at German universities through:
 - **Guest lectures and module support on inclusive humanitarian action**
- Incorporating **disability as a cross-cutting issue** at events

Target Groups

- State and civil society **humanitarian actors in Germany**
- **Local partner organisations** in the field
- **Students** and lecturers from study programmes on humanitarian action
- **Humanitarian community** and member organisations of global coordination mechanisms