

Form for submitting commitments for the Global Disability Summit 2018



1. Your organisation:

Type of organisation: National Government

If other: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Name of organisation: Ministry of Social Welfare, Gender and Children's Affairs, New England, Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa

2. Charter for Change

Please read the attached Summit Charter for Change: the principal legacy of the Summit. If your organisation is happy to sign up to the Charter, please confirm by putting a cross in the box below.

My organisation signs up to the Summit Charter for Change

3. Your organisation's commitments to achieve the rights of people with disabilities in developing countries:

A. Commitments to eliminate Stigma and Discrimination:

Please select the category which your commitment most relates to:

[Stereotypes, attitudes and behaviours](#)

Please enter the exact wording of the commitment/s, including details of others who has supported its development (75 words limit):

In consultation with organizations of persons with disability, including under-represented groups such as women with disabilities, take concrete steps to provide basic services to persons living with disability and to implement the provisions of the Disability Act that was enacted by parliament.

Timeframe and/or implementation plan (75 words limit)

- By the end of this year collaborate with the ministry of information and communications and the Sierra Leone association of journalists and disabled persons organizations to identify media houses both print and electronics media to carry out popularization exercise
- By 2019 develop framework and harmonize anti stigma and discriminatory messages to be rolled out

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B. Commitments for Inclusive Education:

Please select the category which your commitment most relates to:

Capacity building: teachers and staff

Please enter the exact wording of the commitment/s, including details of others who have supported its development (75 words limit):

- Provide free quality education for children with disabilities and put measures in place to facilitate their access and learning
- Collaborate with Ministry of Education and other partners in investing in inclusive education through training of teachers and provision of assistive devices
- Supporting the welfare and promoting the safeguarding needs of children with disabilities including those with special educational needs.

Timeframe and/or implementation plan (75 words limit)

- By 2019 to have developed and roll out consultative and collaborative framework with partners and relevant ministries. In respect of the quality, inclusive and free education for all

C. Commitments for Economic Empowerment:

Please select the category which your commitment most relates to:

Other

Please enter the exact wording of the commitment/s, including details of others who have supported its development (75 words limit):

- By working together, we will achieve lasting change for people with disabilities in the world's poorest countries like Sierra Leone, and contribute to a healthier, fairer and more prosperous future for all.
- Partner with vocational education providers and relevant line ministries to develop specific economic empowerment programme including: Skills Development, business support grants and business sustainability activities.

Timeframe and/or implementation plan (75 words limit)

- By 2019, Identified key partners and providers to develop further the technical and vocational programme to be rolled out nationwide
- By 2023 review and evaluate the impact of the programme on the lives of persons with disabilities.

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D. Commitments for Technology and Innovation:

Please select the category which your commitment most relates to:

Other

Please enter the exact wording of the commitment/s, including details of others who have supported its development (75 words limit):

- Partner with Ministry of Information and Communications and the private sector to make available and affordable assistive communication technologies for the enrichment of persons with disabilities, including access and participation

Timeframe and/or implementation plan (75 words limit)

- By 2019 identify service providers and relevant partners in consultation with the Ministry of information and communication to develop a framework for the commission and provision of required services.

E. Commitments for Data Disaggregation:

Please select the category which your commitment most relates to:

Commit to use the Washington Group questions

Please enter the exact wording of the commitment/s, including details of others who have supported its development (75 words limit):

Collaborate with statistics Sierra Leone and other data collection bodies in using the Washington group questions to disaggregate data for effective service provision to People living with Disabilities.

Timeframe and/or implementation plan (75 words limit)

- By 2020 identify all data collection bodies in the country, strengthen the capacity of those service providers in the use of the Washington group questions and pilot the questions in multiple indicator cluster survey to be conducted by statistics Sierra Leone

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F. Commitments for Women and Girls with Disabilities:

Please enter the exact wording of the commitment/s, including details of others who have supported its development (75 words limit):

Strengthen the capacity of Ministries, Department and Agencies to roll out, popularize and implement policies and programmes related to women and girls with disabilities.

Timeframe and/or implementation plan (75 words limit)

- By end of 2018 map out all relevant institutions both local and international working on issues of women and girls with disabilities
- By 2019 under the coordination and supervision of the Ministry of Social Welfare identify all national policies and programmes related to women and girls with disabilities.
- By 2020 roll out and implement identified policies and programmes for the advancement of women and girls with disabilities
- Make Free Health Care accessible to people with disabilities by identifying the challenges to access, particularly women and girls and developing a strategy to enhance access.

H. Commitments for people with disabilities in Humanitarian Contexts:

Please enter the exact wording of the commitment/s, including details of others who has supported its development (75 words limit):

- Collaborate with the Office of National Security and other partners in providing required services and protection to persons with disabilities in situation of risk
- Provide livelihood support to people living with disability for economic empowerment.

Timeframe and/or implementation plan (75 words limit)

- By end of 2018 identify all service providers to persons with disabilities in situation of risk
- By 2019 conduct capacity building training session for identified service providers for effective and efficient service provision to persons with disabilities in situation of risk.

I. Other Commitments

Please enter the exact wording of any other commitment/s that do not fall under the themes above, including details of others who have supported its development (75 words limit):

- Promote the training of professionals and staff working with persons with disabilities in the rights recognized in the convention so as to better provide services to persons with disabilities
- By 2019 develop training manual for service providers to persons with disabilities identify beneficiaries and roll out the training

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