



### This presentation:

- Introduction to MIW (broad overview)
- Goal- to involve more IDDC members in MIW
- Presentation of MIW training we are organizing for IDDC members



### Inclusive Development → CRPD

- IDDC members collectively are working on the area of inclusive development.
- This directly (or indirectly) is linked with the complex topic of the CRPD – and CRPD implementation.
- Many countries have signed/ratified but many gaps still exist between the standards of the CRPD and the reality on the ground for people with disabilities (both in the North and South..)
- Good practices collected by MIW are in line with the CRPD- general principle article 3

CRPD is an aspirational document that requires implementation however there are key issues needing to be resolved:

- In many countries there is a lack of information and research on disability issues.
- Policy makers often do not have access to information on how to create inclusive policies. (even if CRPD is signed/ratified)
- Civil society organizations often lack the capacity to influence policy based on their experience and expertise.
- No solid recommendations exist for practitioners and other actors (ie. Educators, transportation officials, etc).

### What is the Making It Work Initiative (MIW)?

**Main idea: to develop a common approach for generating knowledge about good practices for inclusive development– and using this to influence change.**

- Documenting and sharing the experiences of practitioners and people with disabilities **that actually work** – that have increased the participation of people with disabilities in society.
- To meet the needs arising out of the CRPD. Provide “food” for advocacy.
- Reports to change how practitioners work with people with disabilities; and to change decisions of policy makers.
- Approach that different types of civil society organizations can use. Flexible and able to be adapted to different contexts and any thematic

## Typically, a MIW project would:

1. Adopt a multi-stakeholder approach
2. Document good practices on a key disability issue
3. Making recommendations based on these good practices
4. Producing a publication
5. Using the publication to influence change

Can be used for projects on all levels (local, national, regional) and on all thematic areas.

## Impact of MIW

- At the project level, MIW is designed to directly influence change for local or national stakeholders.
- At the global level, the publications can have a global impact on other stakeholders, advocates, civil society.
  - For scaling up; sharing south-to-south; exchange of information by practitioners.

## MIW website:

- Platform for sharing experiences of good practice and recommendations for inclusive development.
- Array of information on advocacy efforts.
- Tools and resources
- Information pages on the CRPD, inclusive development, disability rights and policy (source of updated information).

[www.MakingItWork-crpd.org](http://www.MakingItWork-crpd.org)

## How MIW is organized ?

2 levels. – international level and project levels.

- International level:
  - MIW International coordination Team and Advisory Committee responsible for Tools, website, guidelines, trainings, supporting the development of new and existing MIW projects
- Project level: projects have a steering committee with involvement of organizations in the region. These committees are responsible for all decisions concerning the project- what is a good practice, what kind of report and content, activities, etc. All decentralized.

Questions?

## Increasing the collaboration between MIW and IDDC

- IDDC and IDDC members are already part of MIW at international level and at the project levels
- The aim of this presentation is to propose ways to increase this collaboration

## IDDC Objectives

To promote the inclusion of the disability dimension, as well as appropriate disability-specific approaches, in all **development policy and practice**.

- To improve the practice of the member organisations by **collaborating and sharing experience about policy and practice**.
- To support the **exchange of information and knowledge** about inclusive development, especially between people and organisations in economically poorer countries, by the **wide distribution of information**.

## IDDC and MIW

- MIW fits well with the mandate of IDDC
- IDDC members are doing work to promote inclusive development and support the disability movement in the south:
  - **MIW could be seen as a added value: What mechanisms do we have to exchange and share this work?**
- MIW is a offers IDDC a concrete way to systematize this and be able to create greater exchange and leverage.
- **MIW is a common approach for knowledge management which can be developed and used by all IDDC members.**

## Added value of MIW for IDDC members:

- Strengthens the concept of international cooperation and Article 32
- Meets a donor's lessons learned/good practices requirements
- Improves existing / similar projects
- Strengthen's our roles by working collaboratively on CRPD
- Provides an international platform for sharing information, knowledge and South-to-South
- Share experiences – avoid duplication of efforts.
- Strengthen shared advocacy goals.

## MIW needs IDDC

- Increased collaboration and exchange will increase the number of MIW projects and impact of MIW through collection of many practices around the world and a better coverage of thematic areas.
- Increase link with more organizations (IDDC members- but also partner organizations from the south)
- Continue to increase the quality of the MIW methodology and tools by proposing new ideas and expertise

## Vision - MIW and IDDC

- Creating an international database of good practices, reports, advocacy efforts on many thematic areas/regions.
- Sharing of knowledge among our organizations
- Supporting IDDC's mandate.
- Increase the number of project and collection of good practices and see how the experiences of many organizations could improve the ways of looking on these issues

*“The development and dissemination of..... good practices, lessons learned, and sources of expertise, will assist all actors in the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities at the local, national and international levels”*

“Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda”.  
United Nations Economic & Social Council, 2007.

## Questions?

## What are Focal Point Trainings?

- To develop this engagement further.
- Trainings for IDDC members (technical and programmatic) on how to develop and support projects utilizing the MIW approach
  - Detailed understanding of the MIW methodology/approach, tools/resources available to you.
  - Greater sense of how MIW can fit into your organization, context, etc.
  - Allowing technical staff to have the ability to support projects immediately

## Who are Focal Points?

- Technical support role to field programs (based in N. or S. but not just manager for one project)
- An advisor to several projects – with the responsibility to develop and support new and existing projects.
- Somebody who can train and influence other parts of the organization
- Someone with knowledge of CRPD
- Interest in develop projects using the RBA
- People who are working with DPOs, involved in looking at lessons learned, KM. Technical commitment to sharing good practices.
- Someone with knowledge of supporting DPO movements/advocacy

## Focal Point Training (logistics)

- **What:** 2-3 day MIW Focal Point Training (with some preparation work expected)
- **When:** First week of November, 2010 (pending on demand, another training in February, 2011)
- **Where:** London in November
- **Who:** 1 person/IDDC member organization

## Contact us:

- For more information, to register for the Focal Point Training or to think through a project:

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