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ABOUT IDA AND 2025

Who is IDA?

The International Disability Alliance (IDA) is a global organisation.

IDA's members are organisations of persons with disabilities (OPDs).

OPDs are organisations led by persons with disabilities.

IDA works with our members to make sure persons with disabilities can enjoy their rights and be included in society.

What happened in 2025?

2025 was a difficult year for many people.

There were wars, emergencies and disasters, like fires and floods.

Some organisations lost funding. This means they did not get the money they need to do their work.

In some places, people without disabilities said they did not think inclusion was important.

This created new challenges for persons with disabilities and their organisations.

How did IDA respond?

IDA worked with persons with disabilities and their organisations around the world.

IDA helped make sure that persons with disabilities could take part in important decisions.

IDA also talked to leaders about disability rights in many countries and at the United Nations.



WHAT IDA ACHIEVED

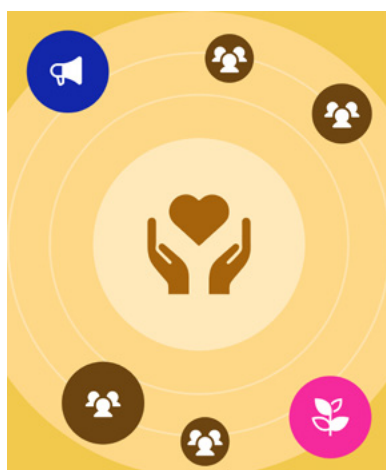
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Key results in 2025

When persons with disabilities are included in decisions, services and policies work better.

This helps create a fairer and more inclusive society for everyone.

To do this IDA:



Supported 203 organisations of persons with disabilities.

Helped improve 109 disability-related laws and policies.

Supported 904 activities led by OPDs.



Helped disability organisations take part in 55 major international meetings and events.

Helped to improve the lives of around 23 million persons with disabilities.

THE GLOBAL DISABILITY SUMMIT

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A major event in 2025

In April 2025, the Global Disability Summit took place in Berlin, Germany.

The Summit brought together governments, disability organisations, donors (people who give money) and United Nations organisations.

More than 4,700 people from over 160 countries attended.

More than 800 commitments were made to improve disability inclusion around the world.

IDA's role

IDA helped make sure that persons with disabilities planned the Summit.

IDA worked so that the voices of persons with disabilities were heard.

The Summit created new opportunities to improve education, employment, health and accessibility.



SUPPORTING ORGANISATIONS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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Strengthening disability organisations

IDA believes that change happens when persons with disabilities lead.

In 2025, IDA supported disability organisations in 67 countries.

These organisations worked on issues such as:

- Education
- Health
- Employment
- Human rights
- Climate change
- Humanitarian action
- Social protection



Small grants, big impact

IDA provided small amounts of money called grants to disability organisations to do their work.

This money helped organisations organise events, speak up for rights and support their communities.

Many organisations led activities for women, young people and other groups that are often left out.



IMPORTANT AREAS OF WORK



Health

IDA worked to improve access to health services. IDA supported disability organisations to advocate for accessible and inclusive healthcare.



Humanitarian action

IDA worked to make sure persons with disabilities are included during emergencies, conflicts and disasters. This includes access to easy-to-understand information, shelters, health care and other emergency help like food and education.



Climate action

IDA helped strengthen the participation of persons with disabilities in climate discussions. IDA supported the Disability Climate Caucus and shared climate plans that include persons with disabilities.



Assistive technology

IDA worked with partners to improve access to technology that helps people with disabilities live their lives, such as wheelchairs and hearing aids. These are called assistive technology.

What did IDA learn?

Through our work this year, IDA learned that:

- Persons with disabilities must lead decisions that affect them.
- Promises must be turned into action.
- Disability organisations need money to help them do their work long-term.
- Strong partnerships create stronger work.

Looking to 2026

In 2026, IDA will continue to:

- Support disability organisations.
- Promote disability rights.
- Work with governments and partners.
- Check commitments made at the Global Disability Summit.
- Strengthen disability inclusion around the world.



Final message

Persons with disabilities have the right to take part in all areas of life.

A more inclusive world is possible when persons with disabilities are involved in the big decisions about our communities policies and programmes. Together, we can make sure no one is left behind.

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