

Fifteenth Meeting of the Washington Group on Disability Statistics

Eigtveds Pakhus
Copenhagen, Denmark
27-29 October 2015

Detailed Program

Tuesday, 27 October 2015

8:30 - 9:00 Participant Registration

Session 1: Opening session

Provide practical information; review of developments since the last meeting; review the objectives and agenda for the 15th meeting.

Chair: Kamilla Heurlén, Denmark

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

Documents: 1) Executive summary of the 14th annual WG meeting
2) Overview and table of contents for International Measurement of Disability: Purpose, Method and Application

9:00 - 9:30

- 1) Welcome and opening remarks

Speaker: Mr. Jesper Christensen, Mayor, Social Services Administration, City of Copenhagen

9:30 - 10:00

- 2) Review of developments since the 14th meeting and WG collaborative activities; review of objectives / agenda for the 15th meeting

Presenter: Jennifer Madans, USA

10:00 - 10:10

- 3) Overview of Washington Group book - International Measurement of Disability: Purpose, Method and Application

Presenter: Jennifer Madans on behalf of Barbara Altman, USA

10:10 - 10:20 Group photo session

10:20 - 10:40 Break *Refreshments provided by Statistics Denmark*

Session 2: WG Short Set and Extended Set on Functioning - Proposed guidelines for analysis

This session will focus on the presentation of results using the WG Short Question Set (SS) and Extended Question Set on Functioning (ES-F). The session will also include a presentation of proposed guidelines for analyzing data obtained from the WG ES-F.

Chair: Julie Weeks, USA

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

Documents: 1) Development of Disability Measures for Surveys - Extended Set on Functioning (WG ES-F)
2) The Matrix (Workplan for the development of the Extended Question Sets)

10:40 - 12:00

- 1) Review of the development of the Extended Set on Functioning and presentation of results from further analyses of data from the US National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) by domain

Presenter: Mitchell Loeb, USA

12:00 - 12:30

- 2) Discussion and approval of guidelines for analyzing data obtained from the WG ES-F

Facilitator: Jennifer Madans, USA

12:30 - 13:30 Break

Lunch provided by Statistics Denmark

Session 3: Methodological issues concerning surveys – Child Functioning

This session will focus on some of the methodological issues facing the WG, particularly the development of questions for children.

Chair: Julie Weeks, USA

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

Documents: 1) Proposed UNICEF/WG Module on Child Functioning (for children under age 5)
2) Proposed UNICEF/WG Module on Child Functioning (ages 5 - 17)

13:30 - 14:00

- 1) Review of the development of the Module on Child Functioning and Manual for implementation

Presenter: Roberta Crialesi, Italy

14:00 - 14:30

- 2) Presentation of preliminary results from Samoa, the finalization of the Module on Child Functioning, and discussion of next steps

Presenter: Mitchell Loeb, USA

14:30 - 15:00

- 3) Review of work on Module on Inclusive Education for Children
Presenter: Elena DePalma, Italy

15:00 - 15:30

- 4) A preliminary report from Cameroon, India and Fiji using an earlier version of the WG/UNICEF child functioning and disability module
Presenter: Islay Mactaggart, London School of Tropical Medicine

15:30 – 15:45 Break

Refreshments provided by Statistics Denmark

Session 4: Development of Disability Modules for Labor Force Surveys

This session focuses on issues related to the development of disability modules intended for use in labor force surveys.

Chair: Mitchell Loeb, USA

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

Documents: 1) Statistics on the labour force characteristics of people with disabilities: A Compendium of national methodologies
2) Draft Disability Module for Labor Force Surveys

15:45 - 16:15

- 1) Review of the International Labor Organization's work on the measurement of labour force status of people with disability
Presenter: Valentina Stoevska, International Labor Organization

16:15 - 16:45

- 2) Presentation of work on the development of a disability module for use in labor force surveys
Presenter: Daniel Mont, USA

Visit to Tivoli Gardens – Sponsored by Statistics Denmark

In existence since 1843, Tivoli Gardens is the second-oldest amusement park in the world. Tivoli offers beautiful scenery with exotic architecture, historic buildings and lush gardens. We gratefully acknowledge the generosity of Statistics Denmark for providing the opportunity for this relaxing retreat after a hard day's work.

Wednesday, 28 October 2015

Session 5: Methodological issues concerning surveys – Environmental factors and participation

This session focuses on some of the methodological issues facing the WG, particularly the development of questions designed for the measurement of environmental barriers.

Chair: Mitchell Loeb, USA

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

9:00 - 9:45

- 1) Review and presentation of additional work on the WG Extended Sets of Questions on Environmental Factors and Participation (ES-E/P)

Presenter: Julie Weeks on behalf of Barbara Altman, USA

9:45 - 10:15

Discussion of next steps for the Workgroup on Environmental Factors and Participation

Facilitator: Jennifer Madans, USA

10:15 - 10:30 Break

Refreshments provided by Statistics Denmark

Session 6: Methodological issues concerning surveys – Mental Health

This session focuses on some of the methodological issues facing the WG, particularly the development of measures specific to mental health.

Chair: Elena DePalma, Italy

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

10:30 - 11:00

- 1) Review of work on the development of questions designed to measure mental health
Presenter: Marguerite Schneider, South Africa

11:00 - 11:30

- 2) Discussion of the next steps for the workgroup on the measurement of mental health
Facilitator: Marguerite Schneider, South Africa

Session 7: Outcome indicators to monitor the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) and attainment of the Post 2015 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

This session will focus on the development of outcome indicators that can be used to measure the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) and attainment of the Post 2015 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Chair: Jennifer Madans, USA

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

11:30 - 12:00

- 1) Introduction and discussion on the use of the WG short set for disaggregation of outcome indicators

Presenter: Jennifer Madans, USA

12:00 - 13:00 Break *Lunch provided by Statistics Denmark*

13:00 - 13:45

- 2) Presentation of the *Gold Indicators*: An example of the use of outcome indicators to measure the implementation of the CRPD

Presenters: Maria Ventegodt Liisberg, Danish Institute for Human Rights and Steen Bengtsson, Danish Social Research Institute

13:45 - 14:15

- 3) An overview of the Incheon Strategy

Presenter: Daniel Mont, USA

14:15 - 15:00

- 4) A review of work on the development of indicators to monitor the Post 2015 SDGs

Presenter: Dominic Haslam and Emma Jolley, Sightsavers

15:00 - 15:15 Break *Refreshments provided by Statistics Denmark*

15:15 – 15:30

- 5) Disability indicators for the SDG framework

Presenter: Maria Martinho, UN DESA

15:30 - 16:30

- 6) Discussion on recommendations for the development of the *Gold Indicators* and potential for collaboration with the WG

Facilitator: Jennifer Madans, USA

16:30 *Tour and dinner at the House of Disabled People's Organisations - The World's Most Accessible Office Building*

Hosted by Statistics Denmark and Disabled People's Organisation Denmark (DPOD)

Thursday, 29 October 2015

Session 8: Country Activities

A summary of country reports and additional country experiences and results using the WG questions will be presented in this session.

Chair: Yayoi Kitamura, Japan

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

9:00 - 9:20

- 1) Summary of annual activities related to disability statistics
Presenter: Cordell Golden, USA

9:20 - 9:40

- 2) An overview of the Disability Register in Denmark
Presenter: Olav Groendal, Denmark

9:40 - 10:00

- 3) People with disabilities: a comparison between the results for the 2000 and 2010 Population Censuses
Presenter: Andréa Borges Paim, Brazil

10:00 - 10:30

- 4) Moroccan Experience On Disability Statistics
Presenter: Zineb El Ouazzani Touahami, Morocco

10:30 - 10:45 Break

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Session 9: WG Collaborative Activities

The session will include a discussion on the WG's partnership with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) to support the implementation of the WG questions in national data collections, the analysis of the data that are produced and the dissemination of the information to inform policies and programs to improve the lives of persons with disabilities and to monitor compliance with the UN CRPD and attainment of the Post 2015 Sustainable Development Goals. An update will be provided on other WG collaborative activities, including collaborations with the United Kingdom's Department for International Development (DFID) and Handicap International.

Chair: Roberta Crialesi, Italy

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

10:45 – 11:30

- 1) Discussion of WG's partnership with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) and presentation on producing a WG disability prevalence rate in Australia

Presenters: Mika Kontiainen, Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) and Louise Gates, Australian Bureau of Statistics

11:30 – 11:50

- 2) Overview of the United Kingdom Department for International Development's (DFID) activities related to disability

Presenter: Kim Bradford Smith, United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID)

11:50 – 12:20

- 3) An overview of WG collaboration with Handicap International

Presenter: Ulrike Last and Aude Brus, Handicap International

Session 10: Next steps and objectives for the 16th meeting

The Steering Committee chair will lead a discussion providing updates on WG governance issues; summarizing the accomplishments of the 15th meeting; outlining next steps; announcing the dates and location of the 16th meeting and determining objectives for this meeting; soliciting volunteers to host the 17th WG meeting; and will provide closing remarks.

Chair: Cordell Golden, USA

Rapporteurs: Representatives from the WG Secretariat and Statistics Denmark

12:20 – 12:40

- 1) Discussion of next steps, objectives for the 16th meeting

Presenter: Jennifer Madans, USA

12:40 – 13:00

- 2) Closing remarks

Speaker: Jørgen Elmeskov, Director General, Statistics Denmark

13:00 - 14:00 Break

Lunch provided by Statistics Denmark

End of the Fifteenth Meeting of the Washington Group on Disability Statistics

(Post-meeting sessions listed on below)

14:00 - 16:00 Post-meeting Sessions

1) **Meeting of the Global Network on Monitoring and Evaluation for Disability-inclusive Development**

The Global Network on Monitoring and Evaluation for Disability-inclusive Development is an informal network of experts, researchers and practitioners in the areas of disability policy, data and statistics, monitoring and evaluation. This Network aims at supporting the production of a UN flagship report to compile and analyze national policies, programs, best practices and available statistics regarding persons with disabilities, reflecting progress made in addressing the relevant internationally agreed development goals and the provisions of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), to be submitted to the UN General Assembly in 2018.

Facilitator: Maria Martinho, UN DESA

Document: Concept note on the Network on Monitoring and Evaluation for Disability-inclusive Development

2) Workgroups to meet to plan next steps relative to methodological issues
(Workgroup leaders to contact members to schedule meeting times)