UN Disability Inclusion Strategy and Victim Assistance

A brief overview

Child-focused Victim Assistance in Mine Action

Need:

- 1,714 casualties in 2018
- Approximately half of the civilian casualties were children in 2017-2019
- Children are not small adults
- Children are not an homogenous group
- Scarcity of child-specific VA literature

Victim Assistance needs to be **age**, **gender** and **disability** sensitive



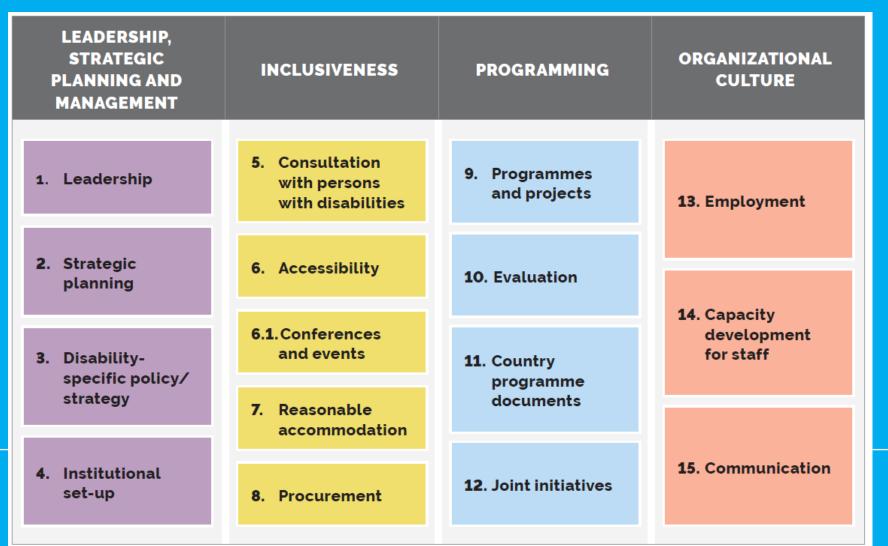
Oslo Action Plan and The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Action #40: Ensure that relevant national humanitarian response and preparedness plans provide for the safety and protection of mine survivors in situations of risk, including situations of armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters, in line with relevant international humanitarian and human rights law and international guidelines. Article #11: States Parties shall take, in accordance with their obligations under international law, including international humanitarian law and international human rights law, all necessary measures to ensure the protection and safety of persons with disabilities in situations of risk, including situations of armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and the occurrence of natural disasters.

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UNDIS Country Team Scorecard

LEADERSHIP, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT	INCLUSIVENESS	PROGRAMMING	ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE
1. Leadership	5. Consultation with Organizations of Persons with Disabilities	8. Joint Programmes	12. Employment
2. Strategic Planning	6. Accessibility of UN Premises and Accommodation	9. Data	13. Capacity Development for UN Staff
3. Cooperation Framework	7. Inclusive procurement of goods and services	10. Monitoring and Evaluation	14. Communication
4. UNCT Set-up and Coordination		11. Humanitarian	

Key lessons from UNICEF

- Need to ensure broad ownership- disability inclusion is everyone's responsibility
- Need to embed disability inclusion in organizational policies and strategies
- Internal process are as important as programming
- Importance of adequate resourcing



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