

## **"What can the Post-2015 development agenda achieve for persons with disabilities?"**

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On July 8, the side event "**What can the Post-2015 development agenda achieve for persons with disabilities?**" took place in the ECOSOC Conference Room in conjunction with the High-level Political Forum.

The event was co-hosted by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Burkina Faso and supported by IDA (International Disability Alliance), IDDC (International Disability and Development Cooperation) and Light for the World.

The side-event explored the challenges for persons with disabilities in the current MDG framework and what positive changes the new post-2015 development agenda can achieve for them. The panel welcomed the current report of the OWG on the SDGs, which contained five explicit references to persons with disabilities. The panel further expressed their hope that each of these references will be maintained.

The side event included the performance of Signmark, a Finnish deaf rap artist.

Side event can be watched here:

<http://webtv.un.org/watch/what-can-the-post-2015-development-agenda-achieve-for-persons-with-disabilities-2nd-meeting-of-the-high-level-political-forum-on-sustainable-development-side-event/3664934986001/>