

“Nothing About Us, Without Us”: Meaningful Disability Engagement in ADB Infrastructure and Social Development Projects

Background

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) NGO and Civil Society Center (NGOC) and Poverty and Social Analysis and Disability Inclusion Team jointly present the second 2026 CSO Conversations webinar: **“Nothing About Us, Without Us”: Meaningful Disability Engagement in ADB Infrastructure and Social Development Projects**.

The session explores meaningful engagement of organizations of people with disabilities (OPDs) in ADB projects, including models for institutionalizing OPD engagement and key challenges such as moving from consultation to collaboration and ensuring effective representation. Speakers will draw on ADB projects in Indonesia and Mongolia, and the Global Disability Innovation Hub.

Agenda

Time	Item	Speaker
2:00pm	Welcome & Housekeeping	Emma Walters , Senior Social Development Specialist, NGOC, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Department
2:03pm	Opening Remarks	Yevgeniy Zhukov , Director General, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Department
2:10pm	Introduction to Disability and Inclusion at ADB	Gohar Tadevosyan , Senior Social Development Specialist, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Department
2:15pm	Case Study 1: Indonesia Ministry of Transportation Disability Inclusion Hub <u>Sustainable Infrastructure Assistance Program Phase II (SIAP II)</u>	Arya Yoga Rudhita , Junior Policy Analyst, Center for Sustainable Transport Management, Ministry of Transport, Indonesia, Antoni Tsaptura , Disability Inclusion Specialist Consultant, SIAP II, Indonesia Resident Mission and David Tjahjana , Accessibility Advisor, GAUN (OPD) –

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2:40pm	Open Q&A	Moderated by Emma Walters , Senior Social Development Specialist, NGOC
2:45pm	<u>Case Study 2: Ensuring Inclusiveness and Service Delivery for Persons with Disabilities Project (PWDP)</u>	Asyl Khuandag , Project Coordinator, PWDP
3:00pm	<u>Global Disability Innovation Hub</u>	Dr Shivani Gupta , Senior Inclusive Design Manager, Global Disability Innovation Hub
3:10pm	Open Q&A	Moderated by Emma Walters , Senior Social Development Specialist, NGOC
3:25pm	Summary & Closing Remarks	Benjamin Graham , Director, Fragility and Engagement, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Department
