

**Videogrußwort  
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der Bundesrepublik Deutschland  
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**anlässlich der Vertragsstaatenkonferenz  
zur UN-Behindertenrechtskonvention  
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in New York**

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Inclusion is a human right.

And yet, people with disabilities are still among the most disadvantaged groups in the world.

We are deeply committed to promoting equal access to education and the labour market, to health and social systems or to financial services. We are working towards this goal, both at home and on a global scale.

In Germany, we recently launched an initiative to ensure that accessibility for persons with disabilities is taken into account in all policy areas.

We are also working to improve the access of persons with disabilities to our labour market: by providing independent advice and wage subsidies.

The inclusion of people with disabilities is also a cross-cutting issue of our development policy.

The advancement of human rights is always a global task, one that we can only achieve together.

This idea will bring us together at the Global Disability Summit, that we will be hosting together with our friends from Jordan and the International Disability Alliance in Berlin next year.

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The Summit will bring together leaders, policymakers and civil society representatives from around the world. It will be a platform for dialogue, collaboration and, most importantly, for action.

In Berlin, we want to move beyond theoretical discussions and focus on how to better implement the Convention and improve the situation of persons with disabilities around the world.

I call on every country and every organisation to formulate ambitious and concrete commitments towards this goal.

Please join us in Berlin in April 2025.

I look forward to seeing you there.