



# International Day of Persons with Disabilities

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## What is the International Day of People with Disabilities?

International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) is observed annually on 3 December in accordance with Resolution 47/3 of the United Nations General Assembly. The purpose of the Day is to raise awareness of disability issues and mobilize support for people with disabilities dignity, rights, and well-being. The event was launched in 1992 by the United Nations General Assembly with the first day being marked on December 3 of that year.

The inclusion of persons with disabilities is integral to human rights, sustainable development, as well as peace and security. There are 1 billion disabled people in the world, which is 15 percent of the population. In line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development's promise to leave no one behind, this day is celebrated and recognized.

Since its inception, IDPD has focused on different issues to promote a better understanding of disability and to encourage supporters to support someone with a disability's rights, dignity, and well-being. Additionally, it aims to raise awareness about the benefits of integrating persons with disabilities into various aspects of society. The day aims to raise awareness of the significance of integrating all people with disabilities so that they can all have equal rights in society.

## Theme



Transformative solutions for  
inclusive development:  
the role of innovation in  
fuelling an accessible and  
equitable world

## The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The UN's 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development was ratified by all of its member nations in 2015. It is a continuation of the UN Millennium Development Goals and is made up of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which are further divided into 169 goals with a 2030 aim to be reached on the concept of "leaving no one behind."

The five Ps, which stand for  
people, planet, prosperity,  
peace, and partnership,  
are the guiding concepts  
of the agenda.

