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Purpose

1.1 Introduction

This reference list is a mapping of specialized organizations working with and for persons with disabilities around the world. This reference list is intended to help UNHCR field staff identify specialized organizations that may be willing to support UNHCR by including persons of concern with disabilities into their programs. It is important to expand our partnerships and search for these opportunities so that refugees, internally displaced persons (IDPs), returnees and stateless persons have safe and equal access to services, education, livelihood opportunities, rehabilitation, and community support for the enjoyment and fulfillment of their Rights in accordance with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

The reference lists presents a multitude of specialized organizations that has met our preferred criteria of being an internationally recognized organization with wide presence in the world or region where it operates such as Handicap International (HI), Italian Association Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO), Christian Blind Mission (CBM) and the World Health Organization Disability and Rehabilitation Team (DAR). We have also mapped local NGOs who have a partnership with larger regional or international organizations as well as a handful of exceptions of smaller independent organizations with a focus in a particular country or region that have unique programs such as those in the arts, person to person financial support for orthopedic interventions and rehabilitation , or training for professionals working with persons with disabilities. Many organizations provide direct services, others focus on training, or awareness raising and advocacy. Some organizations cover all of these activities.

For quick and simple browsing, the reference list has been divided into five regions: [Africa](#), [Middle East & North Africa](#), [Asia & the Pacific](#), [Europe](#), and the [Americas](#). Each region is then alphabetically categorized by country. Simply go to your operation ' s region, locate your country ' s name and you will have found one or more specialized organizations. Even if your country has a variety of organizations listed, or if you only find one organization, please take a look at the end of each region ' s listing for a list of *other organizations with an extensive presence in the region*. It is likely you will find your country listed among these organizations as well.

Throughout each listing, you can read a brief description of the population the organization serves and their activities. You will notice each organization mapped has a web-site link that takes you directly to their web-site or to another organization 's web-site that houses their information. Simply type in or copy and paste the web-site link into your internet browser to access the organization 's web-site for more information, including contact information. Keep in mind that this reference list is non-exhaustive, we encourage this be a starting point and that you expand your list of organizations presenting solid options for partnership and collaboration development in your country operation.

Organizations have been mapped with a focus on:

- International presence and/or local NGOs partnered with International organizations
- Organizations of Persons with Disabilities also known as Disabled Persons ' Organizations (DPOs)
- Long- term presence and/or significant impact where they are working
- The rights and needs of UNHCR persons of concern with disabilities
- Diversity of Disabilities: Physical, Sensory, Intellectual

1.2 Using the reference list

This reference list is intended primarily for UNHCR staff working in the field and implementing partners. In particular, Community Services staff can benefit from the use of this reference list in building a network of specialized organizations for their operations.

Following are eight key steps to consider in using this reference list:

1. Locate your region and country; reference the *other organizations with an extensive presence in the region* list at the end of each region 's section.
2. After reading the introductory information provided take a look at their web-sites.
3. Choose an organization (or more) on the list, or another organization you prefer not on the list working in the area of disabilities and establish contact with them.

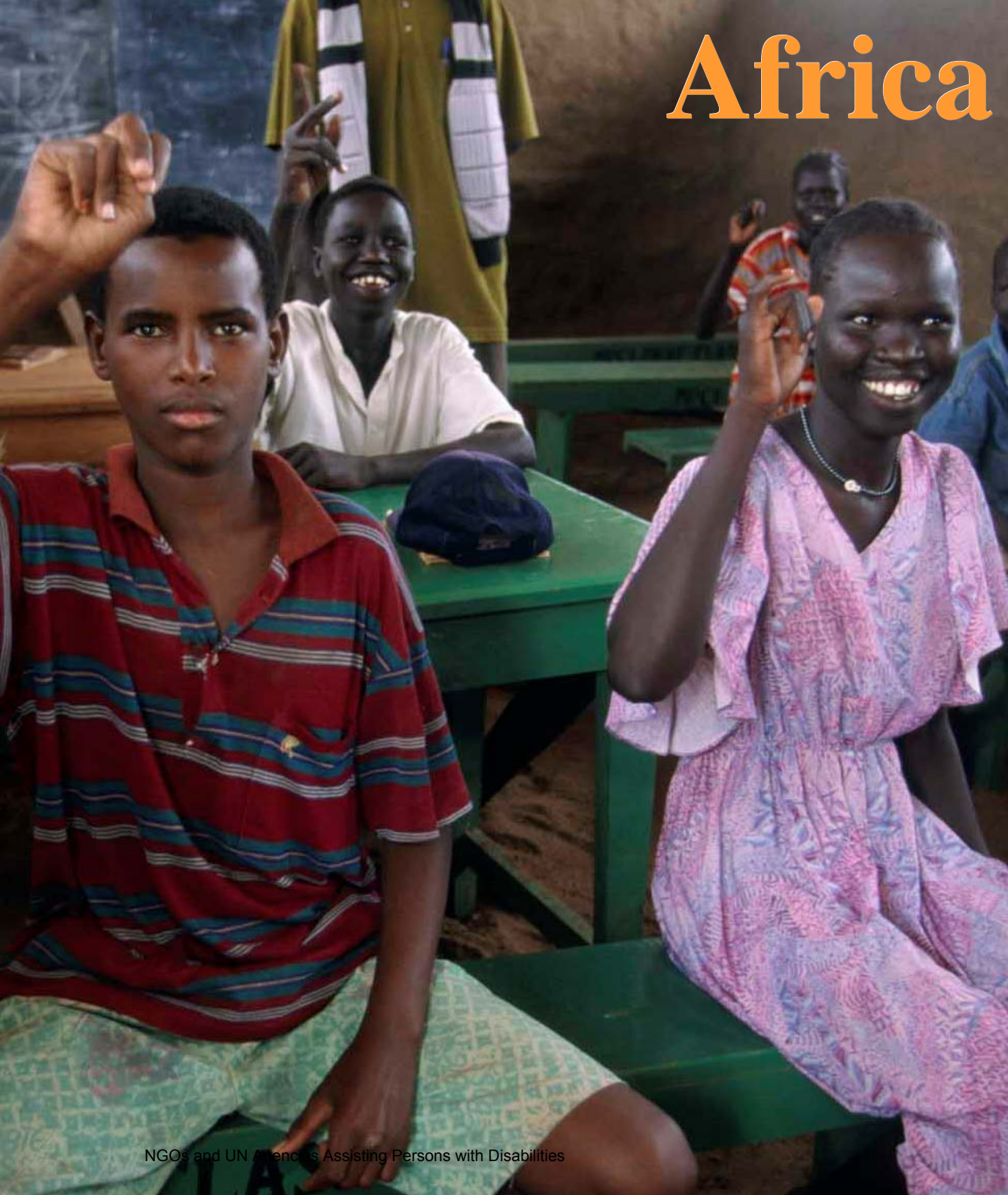
4. Get more information on their work, scope and impact and who is benefiting from their program (s) .
5. Discuss ways to collaborate, aiming for the inclusion of UNHCR persons of concern with disabilities into their programs (s) .
6. Discuss with the organization how UNHCR can support their organization in terms of capacity building, information sharing and any other type of collaboration that can be establish with them. Ask the organization(s) what is needed for persons of concern to be integrated. At this point, see if it is possible to avail resources to support integration of persons of concern.
7. Where possible, develop the same with government institutions that have services for persons with disabilities, to take into account UNHCR persons of concern with disabilities.
8. Please inform the Community Services Unit of the Community Development, Gender Equality and Children Section (CDGECS) at UNHCR HQ of any update on partnership building, so the Unit can highlight your initiatives in the next progress report towards the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Your partnership building initiative and its impact on persons of concern with disabilities and their communities could also be released as a web-story on the UNHCR web-site.

1.3 Why partnership building?

Many NGOs and UN Agencies have extensive expertise in working with and for persons with disabilities. They may be an organization dedicated to persons with disabilities, or have a department or section dedicated to these children and adults. Using a partnership strategy we can benefit form their expertise and capacity. This should be our aim, as lack of staffing and budget constraints may delay or deter important projects from being developed and implemented for persons with disabilities within UNHCR operations.

There are already some organizations supporting persons with disabilities in specific UNHCR operations such as Caritas, Save the Children Sweden, among a few others. Rather than setting up parallel structures we can link up with specialized organizations to improve the protection of girls, boys, women and men with disabilities.

Africa



Angola
Benin
Botswana
Burkina Faso
Burundi
Cameroon
Cape Verde
Central African Republic
Chad
Republic of the Congo
Democratic Republic of the Congo
Côte d'Ivoire
Eritrea
Ethiopia
Gabon
Ghana
Guinea
Guinea-Bissau
Kenya
Lesotho
Liberia
Madagascar
Malawi
Mali
Mauritius
Mozambique
Namibia
Niger
Nigeria
Rwanda
Senegal
Sierra Leone
Somalia
South Africa
Sudan
Tanzania
Togo
Uganda
Zambia
Zimbabwe

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class for deaf children using sign language/Kakuma camps.

AFRICA

Country	NGO/ Agency	Web-site	Population	Activities
Angola	Association to Aid Refugees Japan (AAR)	http://www.aarjapan.gr.jp/english/act/disabled/index.html	refugees and other persons with disabilities	It has been said that about 15 million landmines are buried in Angola, a number that exceeds the Angolan population of 13.6 million. These landmines pose a serious threat to the lives of the people in Angola. In September 2004, AAR JAPAN began its anti-landmine project in the province of Lunda Sul that borders on the Democratic Republic of Congo. In this region far from the capital, few landmine projects are carried out. As a result, many people become victims of landmines. To protect people's lives from landmines and buried unexploded ordinances, AAR JAPAN has been engaged in Mine Risk Education. AAR JAPAN has also carried out interview surveys to identify the places where landmines are buried. The results of these surveys have been shared with MAG, a UK NGO engaged in landmine clearance in this region .
Angola	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Benin	Caritas	http://www.caritas.org/	persons with disabilities	Leather making, skill development, income generating activities, home health training, constitution of community-based rehabilitation committees, support groups.
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Botswana	International Labor Organization (ILO)	http://www.ilo.org/public/english/region/afpro/harare/country/botswana.htm	persons with disabilities	Provides skills training to persons with disabilities for self-sufficiency.

Botswana	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)	http://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/botswana.html	children with disabilities	Helps children with disabilities by providing assessments and looking for ways to prevent disabilities.
Burkina Faso	Action on Disability and Development-Burkina Faso	http://www.add.org.uk/burkina_faso.asp	persons with disabilities	ADD works with disabled people's organizations building their capacity to campaign for changes in attitudes and policies that currently discriminate against persons with disabilities. ADD supports regional networks of disabled people's organisations to set up committees which explore the reasons behind their exclusion, identify the key issues and develop advocacy campaigns to tackle these issues. Currently these committees are focusing on the right of children with disabilities to education, and they have been instrumental in the creation of a new Department of Inclusive Education to develop ways of getting more children with disabilities into local schools. In order to help disabled people in Burkina Faso raise awareness of disability issues in their community ADD helped with training in 'Theatre for Development'. Several drama groups have now been set up and are making regular performances in their communities, bringing the issues previously not talked about, out into the open for discussion.
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Cameroon	Disabled Peoples' International (DPI)	http://v1.dpi.org/lang-en/index.php	persons with disabilities	Disabled Peoples' International is a network of national organizations and assemblies of persons with disabilities, established to promote human rights of persons with disabilities through full participation and equalization of opportunity and development. Stated goals: promote the human rights of persons with disabilities; promote economic and social integration of persons with disabilities; develop and support organizations of persons with disabilities.
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Côte d'Ivoire	Action on Disability and Development-Côte d'Ivoire	http://www.add.org.uk/Cote_dlvoire.asp	persons with disabilities	Through distance funding and advice from the regional office in neighboring Burkina Faso, ADD is supporting disabled people's organizations in the northern region of Bouake to work closely with humanitarian organizations such as the Red Cross to ensure that their aid programs include disabled people effectively. As a result, humanitarian aid is now being distributed through the disabled people's networks, and disabled people are being regularly consulted by the humanitarian organizations and other policymakers.
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Ethiopia	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.

Ethiopia	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with visual disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Ethiopia	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
Ethiopia	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. It has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
Gabon	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.

Ghana	Action on Disability and Development-Ghana	http://www.add.org.uk/Ghana.asp	persons with disabilities	ADD works with organizations of persons with disabilities in the three northern regions of Ghana to ensure that women with disabilities play a full part in their associations. Most organizations of persons with disabilities do not have established women's wings, where women with disabilities are encouraged to explore and raise issues of concern to them, and to develop their own activities. This work ensures that women with disabilities are developing the confidence and skills they need to play a more active part in the decision making process within both the disability movement and the mainstream women's movement.
Ghana	Italian Association Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO)	http://www.aifo.it/english/	persons with disabilities; persons affected by leprosy	AIFO has chosen to focus its activities in supporting leprosy affected persons and persons with disabilities through integrated development projects, with particular attention towards the poorest and vulnerable groups of persons, in a spirit of partnership. AIFO uses community-based rehabilitation; most recently influenced by the 'social model of disability'.
Ghana	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Ghana	Ghana Society of the Physically Disabled-Berekum Branch	http://gspdberekum.org/	persons with physical disabilities	Apprenticeship training in blacksmithing, hair dressing, dressmaking, leatherwork, basketry and pottery and ceramics for young adults with disabilities.
Ghana	Ghana Society of the Physically Disabled (GSPD)-Woman's Wing	http://international.gmont-hs.dk/salifu/	persons with physical disabilities	The women's wing exist to promote the full participation and empowerment of women with disabilities at the Regional and District levels. Activities include: lobbying and advocating, provision of micro-credit, publicity and awareness raising, sport programs, outreach programs, and organizing workshops focused on vocational training, HIV/AIDS, and Leadership.

Ghana	Heart for Children	http://heart-for-children.com/_eng/center3.htm	children with physical disabilities	Provides financial support (direct: person to person) for children to go through needed orthopedic operations and rehabilitation locally and/or by providing assistive devices such as wheelchairs. Since 2006 the project has been cooperating with Liliane Stichting Fonds to provide education and vocational training and Austrian Doctors for Disabled.
Ghana	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
Guinea	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Guinea	Disabled Peoples' International (DPI)	http://v1.dpi.org/lang-en/index.php	persons with disabilities	Disabled Peoples' International is a network of national organizations and assemblies of persons with disabilities, established to promote human rights of persons with disabilities through full participation and equalization of opportunity and development. Stated goals: promote the human rights of persons with disabilities; promote economic and social integration of persons with disabilities; develop and support organizations of persons with disabilities.

Guinea-Bissau	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Guinea Bissau	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
Kenya	Caritas	http://www.caritas.org/	persons with disabilities	Leather making, skill development, income generating activities, home health training, constitution of community-based rehabilitation committees, support groups.
Kenya	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.

Kenya	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Kenya	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
Kenya	Italian Association Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO)	http://www.aifo.it/english/	persons with disabilities; persons affected by leprosy	AIFO has chosen to focus its activities in supporting leprosy affected persons and persons with disabilities through integrated development projects, with particular attention towards the poorest and vulnerable groups of persons, in a spirit of partnership. AIFO uses community-based rehabilitation; most recently influenced by the 'social model of disability'.
Kenya	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	http://www.ke.undp.org/Disabilities.htm	persons with disabilities	Advocacy on rights of persons with disabilities, partnered with National Council for Persons with Disabilities.
Lesotho	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.

Liberia	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Liberia	Italian Association Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO) and Sampson Saywon Boah Institute (SSBI)	http://www.aifo.it/english/	persons with disabilities; persons affected by leprosy	AIFO has chosen to focus its activities in supporting leprosy affected persons and persons with disabilities through integrated development projects, with particular attention towards the poorest and vulnerable groups of persons, in a spirit of partnership. AIFO uses community-based rehabilitation; most recently influenced by the 'social model of disability'.

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Malawi	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Mali	Action on Disability and Development-Mali	http://www.add.org.uk/Mali.asp	persons with disabilities	ADD has been supporting organizations of persons with disabilities in Mali through their regional office for Francophone West Africa, which is based in neighboring Burkina Faso. As well as providing funding for activities, ADD helps organizations of persons with disabilities to analyze their strengths and weaknesses and identify their learning needs which are met by training from other organizations working in Mali. Linking with other organizations not only helps persons with disabilities advocacy and influences work, but gives other development organizations an insight into disability issues.

Mali	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Mauritius	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.

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Mozambique	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
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Rwanda	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
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Senegal	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
Sierra Leone	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Sierra Leone	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)	http://www.fao.org/	persons with disabilities in rural areas	Since 2004, a FAO is providing rural disabled persons with technical and business skills to contribute to their households' welfare and to the development of their communities. So far, 60 disabled persons have been trained in blacksmithing, food processing and other income-generating skills. With initial start-up capital and inputs provided by FAO, four training and production centers have been established in Bo, Bonthe, Tonkolili and Port Loko Districts. The centers are now fully owned and managed by persons with disabilities with support from community elders. Advisory services are provided by government extension agents from the Ministries of Agriculture, Social Welfare, Health and Education.

Sierra Leone	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
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Somalia	Italian Association Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO)	http://www.aifo.it/english/	persons with disabilities; persons affected by leprosy	AIFO has chosen to focus its activities in supporting leprosy affected persons and persons with disabilities through integrated development projects, with particular attention towards the poorest and vulnerable groups of persons, in a spirit of partnership. AIFO uses community-based rehabilitation; most recently influenced by the 'social model of disability'.
South Africa	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.

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South Africa	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. It has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
South Africa (founded in)	International Disability Alliance	http://www.internationaldisabilityalliance.org/	international alliance of organizations working for and with persons with disabilities	IDA is an international network representing Disabled Peoples' International, Inclusion International, International Federation of Hard of Hearing People, Rehabilitation International, World Blind Union, World Federation of the Deaf, World Federation of the Deafblind, World Network of Users and Survivors of Psychiatry. Goals: To identify common positions on disability issues and to lobby UN agencies together on those to which there is agreement. To encourage the membership of the international disability rights organizations to collaborate more actively at the international, regional, national and local levels. To develop joint strategies and inclusive positions on cross-cutting issues that affect persons with disabilities. To promote the involvement of people with disabilities in world politics on the world arena. To strengthen existing networks within which the international disability rights organizations actively participate.
Sudan	Action on Disability and Development-Sudan	http://www.add.org.uk/Sudan.asp	persons with disabilities	ADD's priority is to ensure that persons with disabilities are not left out of the development opportunities that now exist for having a better life. In January 2005 ADD Sudan had to suspend its direct work with DPOs in Nyala until the security situation becomes more stable. Arrangements to ensure funding and indirect contact were put in place. In Sudan ADD works with 25 partners with support increasingly focussed on organizational capacity building. ADD's capacity building work over the last few years is through a mix of training, supported applications and advocacy, reflected in increased capacity to fundraise and to maintain multi-donor budgets.

Sudan	Association to Aid Refugees Japan (AAR)	http://www.aarjapan.gr.jp/english/act/disabled/index.html	refugees and other persons with disabilities	Residents and refugees continue to fall victim to the landmines and unexploded ordonances (UXO) from the civil war. Promoting landmine awareness is essential in preventing landmine-related casualties, but there is still no teaching material which has given due consideration to Sudanese culture and customs. Utilizing the experience in the former Yugoslavia and Afghanistan and in cooperation with UN organizations and NGOs working locally to prevent landmine accidents, AAR has been putting together educational material which meets the needs of the Sudanese people.
Sudan	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Sudan	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
Sudan	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
Swaziland	African Rehabilitation Institute	http://www.gov.sz/home.asp?pid=1011	persons with disabilities	Activities revolve around rehabilitation of disabled persons, their training, counseling, vocational guidance and selective placement to enable such persons to secure and retain suitable employment.

Tanzania	Action on Disability and Development-Tanzania	http://www.add.org.uk/Tanzania.asp	persons with disabilities	Based in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania is ADD's youngest programme. ADD works with organizations of persons with disabilities in three of Tanzania's 26 regions, as well as national organizations in Dar es Salaam. ADD has been focusing on supporting the national umbrella organization SHIVYAWATA.
Tanzania	Center for International Rehabilitation	http://www.cirnetwork.org/	persons with disabilities	The Center for International Rehabilitation (CIR) is a Chicago-based not-for-profit organization that develops research, education and advocacy programs to improve the lives of people with disabilities internationally. The CIR operates in collaboration with the renowned Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago and Northwestern University. The CIR, which was founded in 1996 by Dr. William Kennedy Smith, conducts fieldwork, research, training and education around the globe.
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Tanzania	Disabled Peoples' International (DPI)	http://v1.dpi.org/lang-en/index.php	persons with disabilities	Disabled Peoples' International is a network of national organizations and assemblies of persons with disabilities, established to promote human rights of persons with disabilities through full participation and equalization of opportunity and development. Stated goals: promote the human rights of persons with disabilities; promote economic and social integration of persons with disabilities; develop and support organizations of persons with disabilities.
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Tanzania	International Rescue Committee (IRC)	http://www.theirc.org/	persons with disabilities	IRC promotes self-reliance through community-based rehabilitation.

Tanzania	WHO Collaborating Center for Orthopedics and Rehabilitation: Tanzania Training Center for Orthopedic Technologists (TATCOT)	http://www.who.int/whocc/Detail.aspx?cc_ref=TAN-7&cc_code=tan	Orthopedic and Rehabilitation training center	1. To improve & standardize training & education for East Africa in Orthopaedic Technology & related rehabilitation of all indicated levels, including upgrading & postgraduate structures. 2. To assist in the development, implementation & coordination of short & long-term training & education programmes in the region. 3. To assist in the practical implementation of multidisciplinary strategies for linking Prosthetics & Orthotics Services with PHC & CBR programmes/activities. 4. To provide applied research & evaluation, as well as the utilization of appropriate Prosthetics & Orthotics Technologies. 5. To develop a costing scheme for Orthopaedic & other related rehabilitation devices in Tanzania. 6. To develop & implement a protocol for outcome measurement of training & the different levels in cooperating the uses of services. Also listed on http://www.who.int/disabilities/about/collaborating_centres/en/ on 1 April 2008.
Togo	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Uganda	Action on Disability and Development-Uganda	http://www.add.org.uk/Uganda.asp	persons with disabilities	ADD supports organizations of persons with disabilities to build up their membership by seeking out disabled people who are <i>stuck</i> at home. When persons with disabilities meet other people and realize that they are not alone, it gives them strength to be more active and get involved in the struggle for rights. In Uganda there is a strong national federation (NUDIPU) in place and functioning independently of ADD. ADD works with about 50 groups across all levels. Some of these are district level impairment specific associations that their national association is not yet strong enough to link with directly. Others are district unions that ADD supports on behalf of NUDIPU until it has the capacity to manage all the areas.

Uganda	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.
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Uganda	National Association of the Deaf Blind in Uganda (NADBU)	http://www.adduganda.org/downloads/NADBU_PROFILE.doc	persons with visual/hearing disabilities	NADBU focuses on the following programme areas: (a) Community-based Rehabilitation (CBR), which entails identification of potentially Deafblind persons, referral for appropriate screening, home-to-home visits, training in ADLs, mobility and orientation. (b) Capacity Building. This includes mobilization of Deafblind persons, support towards self-support groups, leadership and communication training, and exchange visits. (c) Advocacy: engagement in influence work, where government and civil society are impressed on the need to cater for prevention and management of Deafblindness. This also extends to positive policy and programme change in favor of Deafblind persons, appropriate referrals, enhanced community awareness, networking and collaboration. This programme is strengthened and reinforced with a research component that supports informed lobbying and evidence-based interventions.

Uganda	National Union of Disabled Persons of Uganda (NUDIPU)	http://international.egmont-hs.dk/nudipu/	persons with disabilities	NUDIPU is an indigenous umbrella NGO of persons with disabilities (PWDS) that brings together all categories of disabilities including the physical, sensory and mental. 1. Advocacy and Lobbying: policy influence and disability mainstreaming and equalisation of opportunities for PWDS. 2. Networking and collaboration: with governments and NGOs and other institutions for collaboration, information sharing and joint advocacy. 3. Capacity building: training of leaders and councillors of PWDS. 4. Gender and development: AIDS education, family planning, legal and gender training. 5. Assistive Devices: cooperates with and influences service providers to provide such appliances to deserving PWDS at subsidised rates. 6. Research and Documentation: research in various areas on disability. 7. Economic empowerment: promoting equitable and sustainable participation of PWDS in small scale enterprise through self employment. 8. Radio programme: running disability related issues on the radio for public awareness. 9. Deafblind programme: identification and training of persons who are deaf and blind.
Uganda	Uganda National Association of the Deaf	http://www.unadug.net/general/index.php	persons with hearing disabilities	The Community- based Rehabilitation Tororo Deaf Project is a rehabilitative program, involving a variety of stakeholders including local leadership, organizations of persons with disabilities, NGO's working with persons with disabilities, parents of children who are deaf and the Ministry of Gender.
Zambia	Action on Disability and Development- Zambia	http://www.add.org.uk/Zambia.asp	persons with disabilities	ADD supports persons with disabilities working with the Electoral Commission to ensure persons who are blind are able to vote fairly through developing a tactile guide for ballot papers, and providing access to polling stations. Issues of persons with disabilities are being addressed in political party manifestos and disabled people's organizations are working hard to raise awareness among disabled people and the community as a whole that disabled people have the right to vote.
Zambia	Association to Aid Refugees Japan (AAR)	http://www.aarjapan.gr.jp/english/act/disabled/index.html	refugees and other persons with disabilities	AAR JAPAN provides financial and technical support to local NGOs and CBOs in order to promote VCT services in local communities. During the first year, AAR JAPAN mainly provided infrastructure and material assistance to partners and monitored their activities. AAR JAPAN provides support to orphans, other children affected by HIV/AIDS epidemics, and their families through local NGOs and home-based care groups. Children receive assistance in the form of tuition fees, stationery and other necessary supplies for attending school. AAR JAPAN also provides nutritional assistance to families of these children through food distribution and advice on nutrition. In the fight against HIV/AIDS, AAR JAPAN works in close cooperation with the local community -- youth groups and people living with HIV/AIDS in Chilanga, near Lusaka, the capital. In addition, AAR JAPAN has been building a network with local NGOs and related institutions.

Zambia	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Zimbabwe	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with visual disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Zimbabwe	National Council of Disabled Persons of Zimbabwe, local partners of Action on Disability and Development	http://www.add.org.uk/Zimbabwe.asp	persons with disabilities	ADD supports the National Council of Disabled People of Zimbabwe (NCDPZ) and their work of raising awareness of the Disability Act among both it's members and targeted groups. ADD also maintains close links with the Southern African Federation of the Disabled (SAFOD) and supported them with their work around the African Decade of Disabled People across the southern Africa region. Date Partnerships Started: 1985

Other organizations with extensive presence in the region

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Africa (Continental)	Pan-African Federation of Disabled People (PAFOD)	http://www.dpiafro.mr/	persons with disabilities	PAFOD is a continental organization of disabled peoples' organizations, which constitutes 53 National Assemblies organized within five sub-regional federations—WAFOD, SAFOD, CAFOD, EAFOD, NAFOD—representing West, South, Central, East and North Africa.

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Iraq	Mercy Corps International (MCI)	http://www.mercycorps.org/countries/iraq/1641	persons with disabilities	Mercy Corps is creating economic opportunities, raising awareness, strengthening local associations, and promoting access for persons with disabilities. Mercy Corps has developed an inclusive rights-based approach throughout its programming to address the many barriers faced by disabled Iraqis. All building construction, for example, integrates accessibility features and, whenever possible, people with disabilities are integrated into the program's community activities. Mercy Corps has developed peer-counseling workshops to build leadership skills and the self-confidence of youth and adults with disabilities, and has supported awareness and sensitivity projects around disability issues.
Iraq	International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)	http://www.icrc.org/	persons with physical disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.

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Yemen	Save the Children Sweden (Rädda Barnen)	http://www.rb.se/en/g/	children with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation program for children with disabilities: home visits, care taker training, and assisting the community with integration of children with disabilities into schools and other community services.

Other organizations with extensive presence in the region

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Algeria Bahrain Egypt Jordan Kuwait Lebanon Mauritania Morocco Qatar Tunisia United Arab Emirates	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
Algeria Egypt Iraq Israel Jordan Kuwait Lebanon Libyan Arab Jamahiriya Mauritania Morocco Oman Qatar Saudi Arabia Syrian Arab Republic Tunisia Yemen	The International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment	http://www.icevi.org/	persons with disabilities	The International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI) is a global association of individuals and organizations that promotes equal access to appropriate education for all children and youth with visual impairment so that they may achieve their full potential. Objectives: To promote and assist in building of local capacity to develop curriculum, to provide training and to identify and provide equipment and materials to children and youth with visual impairments and their parents, teachers and others in their communities. ICEVI is initiating programs at all levels to strengthen local capacity by facilitating training for professionals, facilitating access to equipment and developing distance education courses.
Africa (Continental)	Pan-African Federation of Disabled People (PAFOD)	http://www.dpiafro.mr/	persons with disabilities	PAFOD is a continental organization of disabled peoples' organizations, which constitutes 53 National Assemblies organized within five sub-regional federations—WAFOD, SAFOD, CAFOD, EAFOD, NAFOD—representing West, South, Central, East and <u>North Africa</u> .

<p>Algeria Bahrain Egypt Iraq Israel Jordan Kuwait Lebanon Libyan Arab Jamahiriya Mauritania Morocco Oman Qatar Saudi Arabia Syrian Arab Republic Tunisia United Arab Emirates Yemen</p>	<p>The WHO Disability and Rehabilitation Team (DAR)</p>	<p>http://www.who.int/disabilities/en/</p>	<p>persons with disabilities</p>	<p>The WHO Disability and Rehabilitation Team (DAR) is situated within the Department of Injuries and Violence Prevention in the Cluster of Non-communicable Diseases and Mental Health. DAR works to enhance the quality of life for people with disabilities through national, regional and global efforts to raise awareness about the magnitude and consequences of disability; facilitate collection, conduct analysis and dissemination of disability-related data and information; support, promote and strengthen health and rehabilitation services for people with disabilities and their families; promote community-based rehabilitation (CBR); promote development, production, distribution and servicing of assistive devices and technologies; support development, implementation, measuring and monitoring of policies to improve the rights and opportunities for people with disabilities; build capacity among health and rehabilitation policy-makers and service providers; foster multisectoral networks and partnerships.</p>
<p>Algeria Iraq Jordan Kuwait Lebanon Libyan Arab Jamahiriya Mauritania Morocco Qatar Syrian Arab Republic Tunisia United Arab Emirates Yemen</p>	<p>World Blind Union (WBU)</p>	<p>http://www.worldblindunion.org/en/</p>	<p>persons with visual disabilities</p>	<p>The World Blind Union (WBU) is a non-political, non-religious, non-governmental and non-profit organization, representing over 160 million blind and partially sighted persons in 177 member countries. It is the internationally recognized organization speaking on behalf of blind and partially sighted persons at the international level. The World Blind Union does not provide direct services or programs to blind and partially sighted persons but rather brings together major organizations of blind persons and those providing services and programs to them from around the world.</p>

Algeria Israel Kuwait Lebanon Morocco Tunisia	World Federation of the Deaf (WFD)	http://www.wfdeaf.org/default.aspx	persons with hearing disabilities	The World Federation of the Deaf (WFD) is an international non-governmental organization representing approximately 70 million persons who are deaf worldwide. It is estimated that more than 80 percent of these 70 million live in developing countries, where authorities are rarely familiar with their needs or desires. Recognized by the United Nations (UN) as their spokes-organization, WFD works closely with the UN and its various agencies in promoting the human rights of persons who are deaf in accordance with the principles and objectives of the UN Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other general acts and recommendations of the UN and its specialized agencies.
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Afghanistan	Association to Aid Refugees Japan (AAR)	http://www.aarjapan.gr.jp/english/act/disabled/index.html	refugees and other persons with disabilities	Afghanistan is one of the most mine-affected areas in the world. Association for Aid and Relief, Japan (AAR JAPAN) has set up offices in Kabul (January 2002) and in Taloqan in Takhar Province (May 2002). AAR Japan has been conducting mine related actions and providing assistance for people with disabilities (PWD). Since January 2002, AAR JAPAN has been carrying out mine/UXO risk education programs and supporting mine clearance in conjunction with the HALO Trust. AAR JAPAN has cooperated with the United Nations Mine Action Center for Afghanistan (UNMACA) to develop methods and materials suited for use in Mine Risk Education programs in Afghanistan. AAR JAPAN have set up two physiotherapy clinics in Takhar Province in northern Afghanistan for PWD, such as landmine survivors, secondly Polio, etc. Through physiotherapy, AAR JAPAN intends to recover the mobility of persons with disabilities and increase their self-reliance and participation to their society. AAR JAPAN also refers PWD in need of prosthesis to the orthopedic centers by covering the expenses.
Afghanistan	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbar_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Afghanistan	International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)	http://www.icrc.org/	persons with physical disabilities	The ICRC has been providing orthopaedic and rehabilitation services and helping disabled people become active in the community since 1988. This has benefited not only landmine victims but also many people suffering other kinds of motor impairment. More than 82,000 patients (33,000 of them amputees) have been assisted to date (April 2008). The ICRC runs six orthopaedic centres - in Kabul, Mazar, Herat, Gulbahar, Faizabad and Jalalabad. They offer a home-care service for patients with spinal cord injuries, which provides them and their families with medical, economic and social support. Between January and March 2008, the centres: registered 1,403 new patients and produced 3,240 prostheses and orthoses; delivered 35,533 physiotherapy sessions; granted micro credit loans to 138 patients to start their own business ventures, while 55 were trained for various jobs; assisted 1,666 patients with spinal cord injuries. In Kabul alone, 1,025 home-care visits were carried out.
Afghanistan	International Rescue Committee (IRC)	http://www.theirc.org/news/in-afghanistan-the-irc.html	children with visual and hearing disabilities	Afghanistan, IRC helps persons with disabilities get an education. The IRC helps children who are blind and deaf study alongside other students by training teachers to work with blind and deaf students. The IRCS is also helping to create an Afghan sign language.
Australia	Workability International	http://www.workability-international.org/	persons with disabilities	World's largest body representing providers of work and employment services to persons with disabilities. The organization was created for the benefit of persons with disabilities by: facilitating international exchanges of information, experience and ideas on the need for and arrangement and development of jobs for persons with disabilities; promoting the full range of employment opportunities for all persons with disabilities; promoting legal rights of persons with disabilities to equal opportunities and non-discrimination; and seeking to change governments' policies or decisions in relation to effective employment and/or rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
Bangladesh	Action on Disability and Development-Bangladesh	http://www.add.org.uk/bangladesh.asp	persons with disabilities	One of ADD Bangladesh's successes has been in raising citizens' awareness of persons with disabilities right to vote. In the most recent local government elections, 64 persons with disabilities stood as independent candidates and 16 of them were elected - this was the first time ever that disabled people had been elected as representatives of their communities in local government. Action on Disability and Development (ADD) has embarked on a prompt campaign "To Reduce Vulnerability of Persons with Disabilities affected by SIDR" to build their confidence and to assist them to start a new life. The main objective of ADD's Relief and Rehabilitation programme is to support persons with disabilities and their families to reduce their vulnerability to the affects of the cyclone SIDR by providing basic humanitarian assistance such as food, essentials, clothes and cash benefits. Website includes case studies.

Bangladesh	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.
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Cambodia	Action on Disability and Development-Cambodia	http://www.add.org.uk/Cambodia.asp	persons with disabilities	ADD focuses on building the capacity of district level federations of persons with disabilities to become effective membership organizations. ADD provides training in areas such as organizational development, disability rights, and advocacy whilst at the same time building up teams of disability equality trainers who will carry on this work in the future. Alongside training ADD also supports federations to lobby for local and national inclusion in important development programs such as poverty reduction strategies, elections, universal primary education and HIV/Aids awareness.
Cambodia	Association to Aid Refugees Japan (AAR)	http://www.aarjapan.gr.jp/english/act/disabled/index.html	refugees and other persons with disabilities	AAR JAPAN has been operating the Kien Khleang Vocational Training Center (KKC) in cooperation with the Cambodian government since 1993. KKC is a vocational training school for persons with disabilities, post polio and landmine survivors in Cambodia. The objective of KKC is to promote self-reliance in social, economic and mental contexts. Every year a total of 40 students enroll at three courses in KKC and learn skills of motorcycle repairing, TV/radio repairing and tailoring. Literacy and business skills classes are also provided. A wheelchair workshop is also operated by AAR JAPAN. Wheelchairs produced in the workshop are distributed all over Cambodia. As an outreach activity, technicians with disability in the workshop provide maintenance and repairing service to the wheelchair users in both urban and rural areas of Cambodia.

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China	WHO Collaborating Centre for Training and Research in Rehabilitation	http://www.who.int/whocc/Detail.aspx?cc_ref=CHN-60&cc_code=chn&	Rehabilitation research and training center	1.To conduct graduate and post-graduate training in rehabilitation medicine; to conduct short course for rehabilitation professional. 2. To develop research in rehabilitation medicine and rehabilitation technology, including the use of traditional Chinese medicine. 3. To develop community-based rehabilitation services; 4. To provide technical expertise to WHO and to collect information with regard to rehabilitation medicine. 5. To adapt and translate WHO disability and rehabilitation documentation into Chinese. Also listed on http://www.who.int/disabilities/about/collaborating_centres/en/ on 1 April 2008.
China-Hong Kong	WHO Collaborating Centre for Rehabilitation: Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation	http://www.who.int/whocc/Detail.aspx?cc_ref=CHN-83&cc_code=chn&	rehabilitative medicine and community-based rehabilitation training center	1. To develop training programs in rehabilitation for people with disability, including the chronically ill & the aged disabled. 2. To organize & conduct training courses in rehabilitation medicine & community-based rehabilitation (CBR) services. 3. To prepare teaching materials & learning aids. 4. To conduct applied research & studies in rehabilitation medicine & CBR activities. 5. To provide advisory services & expertise on rehabilitation medicine & CBR activities. 6. To collect & disseminate information on rehabilitation medicine & CBR activities. 7. To promote coordination & mutual aid activities among countries in the Region in the field of rehabilitation with a view to maximizing the use of the resources available. Also listed on http://www.who.int/disabilities/about/collaborating_centres/en/ on 1 April 2008.
India	Action on Disability and Development-India	http://www.add.org.uk/India.asp	persons with disabilities	Work is focused in rural areas of the four states of south India, working directly in three projects in Pudukottai district in Tamil Nadu; in Kolar district in Karnataka and Mahboobnagar district in Andhra Pradesh. These projects cover 1,776 villages reaching approximately 20,000 persons with disabilities. Forty percent are women, who are active members of the self-help groups. ADD India also works with other organizations giving their staff training in disability awareness and support in implementing it in their own projects. In the last few years, there has been a major growth in the rights based, inclusive approach to Community-based Rehabilitation.
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Japan	WHO Collaborating Centre for Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation	http://www.who.int/whocc/Detail.aspx?cc_ref=JPN-70&cc_code=jpn&	Rehabilitation research and training center	1. To undertake research & development of medical rehabilitation for persons with disabilities (PWDs) & to disseminate information on the use of such technology through education & training of WHO fellows & other professional staff. 2. To develop training programme of self-management skill in collaboration with PWDs & to disseminate it to relevant professionals through education & training. 3. To undertake studies of community-based rehabilitation (CBR), primary health care, & other social support systems for PWDs. 4. To undertake research & development of affordable assistive technologies in collaboration with PWDs. 5. To prepare manuals for education & training of professionals in health, medical & welfare services for PWDs. 6. To support organization of conferences &/or seminars on rehabilitation of PWDs. Also listed on http://www.who.int/disabilities/about/collaborating_centres/en/ on 1 April 2008.
Japan	Workability International	http://www.workability-international.org/	persons with disabilities	World's largest body representing providers of work and employment services to persons with disabilities. The organization was created for the benefit of persons with disabilities by: facilitating international exchanges of information, experience and ideas on the need for and arrangement and development of jobs for persons with disabilities; promoting the full range of employment opportunities for all persons with disabilities; promoting legal rights of persons with disabilities to equal opportunities and non-discrimination; and seeking to change governments' policies or decisions in relation to effective employment and/or rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
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Lao People's Democratic Republic	Association to Aid Refugees Japan (AAR)	http://www.aarjapan.gr.jp/english/act/disabled/index.html	refugees and other persons with disabilities	Production and wheelchair provision project through partnership with JICA. The wheelchair workshop manufactures and provides quality wheelchairs fitted to each person.
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
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Myanmar	Association to Aid Refugees Japan (AAR)	http://www.aarjapan.gr.jp/english/act/disabled/index.html	refugees and other persons with disabilities	The vocational training center provides persons with disabilities as a result of landmine explosions or polio, etc, training for sewing and hairdressing. After the training, AAR Japan supports the graduates to become socially and economically independent by finding a job, opening their own shops, or becoming an instructor for the center. AAR Japan also works with children with intellectual disabilities and has launched the program, "Program for the Future of the Children in Myanmar" for those who need rehabilitation trainings.

Nepal	Caritas	http://www.caritas.org/	refugees with disabilities	Inclusive education, teacher training, Sign Language training courses, provision of assistive devices, vocational skills program for youth, counseling and physiotherapy home visits, support groups, medical certification of disabilities.
Nepal	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
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Pakistan	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.
Pakistan	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Pakistan	Mercy Corps International (MCI)	http://www.mercycorps.org/topics/health/65	persons with disabilities	Mercy Corps' Baluchistan Community Rehabilitation Program is helping Afghan refugees with disabilities by providing orthotics, prosthetics and physiotherapy services which enable many to become more mobile and independent in their daily activities. This program, is based in Quetta, Pakistan near the Afghan border.
Pakistan	Sayed Jamaluddin Afghani Welfare Organization (SJAWO)	http://www.unhcr.org/cgi-bin/texis/vtx/afghan?page=news&id=451bcac44	persons with disabilities	Women and men with disabilities receive training ranging from embroidery, carpentry, plumbing, tailoring, masonry and welding to painting, bar bending, carpet weaving, gabion weaving, blacksmithing, tinsmithing, leatherwork and secretarial work by the Syed Jamaluddin Afghani Welfare Organization in Peshawar (north-western Pakistan).
Pakistan	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)	http://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/pakistan_31857.html	persons with disabilities	Providing support to equipping schools so they can accommodate the special needs of children with disabilities.

Philippines	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
Philippines	WHO Collaborating Centre for Rehabilitation: Negros Occidental Rehabilitation Foundation Inc. (NORFI)	http://www.who.int/whocc/Detail.aspx?cc_ref=PHL-12&cc_code=phl	community-based rehabilitation training center	1. To develop & conduct training for community-based & other levels of rehabilitation. 2. To assess community-based rehabilitation (CBR) as a programme & a system. 3. To provide technical advisory services to WHO in the field of community-based rehabilitation. 4. To collect, disseminate & exchange information on community-based rehabilitation. 5. To receive visitors from other countries to study how the programme is implemented. 6. To develop a wide range of information, education & communication materials which will support further the development of community-based rehabilitation. 7. To promote the participation of persons with disabilities in the decision making process. 8. To promote the participation of other sectors (education, labour, etc.) into the CBR activities. Also listed on http://www.who.int/disabilities/about/collaborating_centres/en/ on 1 April 2008.
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Sri Lanka	International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)	http://www.icrc.org/	persons with physical disabilities	In 2007, through the ICRC's support, 400 patients of the Jaffna Jaipur Centre for Disability and Rehabilitation received physical rehabilitation services. Almost 70 new patients were fitted with artificial limbs and more than 20 with orthopaedic appliances. The ICRC also provided ten wheelchairs and some 40 crutches, while the centre's staff was trained to ensure sustainable services for patients. The ICRC also facilitated the transfer of almost 40 amputees from camps for the displaced in Trincomalee and Batticaloa to the orthopaedic centre in Batticaloa.

Sri Lanka	Workability International	http://www.workability-international.org/	persons with disabilities	World's largest body representing providers of work and employment services to persons with disabilities. The organization was created for the benefit of persons with disabilities by: facilitating international exchanges of information, experience and ideas on the need for and arrangement and development of jobs for persons with disabilities; promoting the full range of employment opportunities for all persons with disabilities; promoting legal rights of persons with disabilities to equal opportunities and non-discrimination; and seeking to change governments' policies or decisions in relation to effective employment and/or rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
Tajikistan	Association to Aid Refugees Japan (AAR)	http://www.aarjapan.gr.jp/english/act/disabled/index.html	refugees and other persons with disabilities	AAR JAPAN distributed flour, sugar and cooking oil, which were provided by the Japanese government, to facilities for the disabled, orphanages and elderly nursing homes. AAR JAPAN also supported improvement of sanitation in communities near Kurgan Tube in southern Tajikistan, with the cooperation of ACTED, a French NGO. With the support from the Grant Aid for Japanese NGO Projects Program, AAR JAPAN provides farming machines (tractors and small combine-harvesters) necessary to conduct food assistance programs run by the association of the disabled, heating equipments and winter clothes to the National Special Class for the Disabled in Hissar city, ultrasonic echograph and instruments for physiotherapy to the hospital for rehabilitation of persons with disabilities, in Dushanbe city and is reconstructing the Central Hospital in Darband district.
Tajikistan	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.

Thailand	Asia-Pacific Development Center on Disability	http://www.apcdproject.org/apcd.php	persons with disabilities	APCD is a regional center on disability established in Bangkok, Thailand as a legacy of the Asia and Pacific Decade of Disabled Persons 1993-2002. APCD facilitates regional collaboration among disability-related government and non government organizations by establishing focal points and associate organizations. APCD is also developing network and collaboration to cooperate in relevant information sharing, recruit participants for APCD's training courses and then follow-up after training. APCD's training program is designed to directly empower young grass-root leaders with disabilities as well as sensitize non-disabled professionals and official concerning accessibility for citizens with disabilities in mainstream society. APCD trainings: Capacity Building of Self-help Organizations of People with Disabilities (SHO), Community-based Rehabilitation (CBR) , Independent Living (IL) ,Information and Communication Technology (ICT), assistive technologies for people with disabilities, Non-handicapping/ barrier-free environment Human Rights Advocacy.
Thailand	Disabled Peoples' International (DPI)	http://v1.dpi.org/lang-en/index.php	persons with disabilities	Disabled Peoples' International is a network of national organizations and assemblies of persons with disabilities, established to promote human rights of persons with disabilities through full participation and equalization of opportunity and development. Stated goals: promote the human rights of persons with disabilities; promote economic and social integration of persons with disabilities; develop and support organizations of persons with disabilities.
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Thailand	WHO Collaborating Centre for Research and Training in Medical Rehabilitation and Prosthetics-Orthotics and Prosthetics	http://www.who.int/whocc/Detail.aspx?cc_ref=THA-48&cc_code=than&	rehabilitation and prosthetics research and training center	1. To develop human resources of Medical Rehabilitation. 2. To strengthen local & national collaboration by providing technical support. 3. To develop advocacy material & formulation of policy on disability. 4. To collaborate for strengthening Prosthetics & Orthotics services in Thailand & other Member States. 5. To conduct applied research for development of Prosthetics & Orthotics work. Also listed on http://www.who.int/disabilities/about/collaborating_centres/en/ on 1 April 2008.
Thailand	World Education (local partner: Karen Women's Organization)	http://www.worlded.org/WEInternet/	children with disabilities	Special and inclusive education programs.

Turkmenistan	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Viet Nam	Center for International Rehabilitation	http://www.cirnetwork.org/	persons with disabilities	The Center for International Rehabilitation (CIR) is a Chicago-based not-for-profit organization that develops research, education and advocacy programs to improve the lives of people with disabilities internationally. The CIR operates in collaboration with the renowned Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago and Northwestern University. The CIR, which was founded in 1996 by Dr. William Kennedy Smith, conducts fieldwork, research, training and education around the globe.
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Other organizations with extensive presence in the region

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Afghanistan Australia Bahrain Bangladesh Bhutan Cambodia China Democratic People's Republic of Korea Federated States of Micronesia Fiji India Indonesia Iran Japan Kazakhstan Kyrgyzstan Lao People's Democratic Republic Macao Malaysia Mongolia Myanmar Nepal New Zealand Pakistan	The International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment	http://www.icevi.org /	persons with disabilities	The International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI) is a global association of individuals and organizations that promotes equal access to appropriate education for all children and youth with visual impairment so that they may achieve their full potential. Objectives: To promote and assist in building of local capacity to develop curriculum, to provide training and to identify and provide equipment and materials to children and youth with visual impairments and their parents, teachers and others in their communities. ICEVI is initiating programs at all levels to strengthen local capacity by facilitating training for professionals, facilitating access to equipment and developing distance education courses.

Australia Bangladesh China India Indonesia Japan Korea Malaysia Nepal New Zealand Philippines Singapore Sri Lanka Thailand	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
Australia Cambodia China India Indonesia Iran Japan Kyrgyzstan Lao People's Democratic Republic Malaysia Mongolia Myanmar Nepal New Zealand Pakistan Philippines Republic of Korea Singapore Sri Lanka Taiwan Tajikistan Thailand Turkmenistan Uzbekistan Viet Nam	World Blind Union (WBU)	http://www.worldblindunion.org/en/	persons with visual disabilities	The World Blind Union (WBU) is a non-political, non-religious, non-governmental and non-profit organization, representing over 160 million blind and partially sighted persons in 177 member countries. It is the internationally recognized organization speaking on behalf of blind and partially sighted persons at the international level. The World Blind Union does not provide direct services or programs to blind and partially sighted persons but rather brings together major organizations of blind persons and those providing services and programs to them from around the world.

<p>Afghanistan Australia Bangladesh China Hong Kong India Indonesia Iran Japan Kazakhstan Republic of Korea Malaysia Mongolia Nepal</p>	<p>World Federation of the Deaf (WFD)</p> <p>Countries contd: New Zealand Pakistan Philippines Singapore Sri Lanka Tajikistan Thailand Uzbekistan</p>	<p>http://www.wfdeaf.org/default.aspx</p>	<p>persons with hearing disabilities</p>	<p>The World Federation of the Deaf (WFD) is an international non-governmental organization representing approximately 70 million persons who are deaf worldwide. It is estimated that more than 80 percent of these 70 million live in developing countries, where authorities are rarely familiar with their needs or desires. Recognized by the United Nations (UN) as their spokes-organization, WFD works closely with the UN and its various agencies in promoting the human rights of persons who are deaf in accordance with the principles and objectives of the UN Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other general acts and recommendations of the UN and its specialized agencies.</p>
<p>Afghanistan Australia Bahrain Bangladesh Bhutan Cambodia China Democratic People's Republic of Korea Federated States of Micronesia Fiji Hong Kong India Indonesia Iran Japan Kazakhstan Kiribati Kyrgyzstan Lao People's Democratic Republic Macao Malaysia Marshall Islands Mongolia Myanmar</p>	<p>The WHO Disability and Rehabilitation Team (DAR)</p> <p>Countries contd: Nepal New Zealand Pakistan Palau Papua and New Guinea Philippines Republic of Korea Samoa Singapore Solomon Islands Sri Lanka Tajikistan Thailand Timor-Leste Tonga Turkmenistan Tuvalu Uzbekistan Viet Nam</p>	<p>http://www.who.int/disabilities/en/</p>	<p>persons with disabilities</p>	<p>The WHO Disability and Rehabilitation Team (DAR) is situated within the Department of Injuries and Violence Prevention in the Cluster of Non-communicable Diseases and Mental Health. DAR works to enhance the quality of life for people with disabilities through national, regional and global efforts to raise awareness about the magnitude and consequences of disability; facilitate collection, conduct analysis and dissemination of disability-related data and information; support, promote and strengthen health and rehabilitation services for people with disabilities and their families; promote community-based rehabilitation (CBR); promote development, production, distribution and servicing of assistive devices and technologies; support development, implementation, measuring and monitoring of policies to improve the rights and opportunities for people with disabilities; build capacity among health and rehabilitation policy-makers and service providers; foster multisectoral networks and partnerships.</p>

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Albania	Albanian Disability Rights Foundation & OXFAM	http://www.oxfam.org/en/programs/development/eefsu/albania.htm	persons with disabilities	Wheelchair factory where persons with disabilities learn how to make wheelchairs, crutches, etc.
Albania	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.org.uk/page_367.php or http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
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Bosnia and Herzegovina	Center for International Rehabilitation	http://www.cirnetwork.org/	persons with disabilities	The Center for International Rehabilitation (CIR) is a Chicago-based not-for-profit organization that develops research, education and advocacy programs to improve the lives of people with disabilities internationally. The CIR operates in collaboration with the renowned Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago and Northwestern University. The CIR, which was founded in 1996 by Dr. William Kennedy Smith, conducts fieldwork, research, training and education around the globe.

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Bosnia and Herzegovina	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.org.uk/page_367.php or http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
Bulgaria	Bulgarian Red Cross	http://www.redcross.bg/index.php?ladger=refugee	refugees-including disabled refugees	The RMS has projects offering services, financial assistance or assistance in kind to recognized refugees, humanitarian status holders, asylum seekers, stranded migrants and rejected asylum seekers. Services include: medical assistance, education, financial support, and mental health services.
Bulgaria	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.

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Georgia	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Germany	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.

Greece	Greek Council for Refugees	http://www.gcr.gr/default.asp?pid=37&la=2	refugees in Greece including refugees with disabilities	Counseling to refugees aiming at repatriation (with the mobilization of adaptable mechanisms, the mobilization of powers, the gradual solution of problems); information about the procedures in Greece and cultural orientation in order to face the cultural shock; intervention in the community in organizations and services for the benefit of the refugee (e.g. health issues, accompaniment to hospitals, accompaniment to Welfare Services to secure the necessary grants, help in the enrolment procedure for children to be admitted in daycare centers, schools, camps etc.); psychological support and intervention in times of crisis; Material aid (grants, food, school items from donations, referrals for food, etc.) according to the evaluation of the needs of each case; informing the Greek public on refugee issues, their problems and the need to support them; and referrals (e.g. in order to learn Greek, attend to needs for education, health issues, professional preparation) according to the requirements of each case.
Italy	Disabled Peoples' International (DPI)	http://v1.dpi.org/lang-en/index.php	persons with disabilities	Disabled Peoples' International is a network of national organizations and assemblies of persons with disabilities, established to promote human rights of persons with disabilities through full participation and equalization of opportunity and development. Stated goals: promote the human rights of persons with disabilities; promote economic and social integration of persons with disabilities; develop and support organizations of persons with disabilities.
Italy	Italian Association Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO)	http://www.aifo.it/english/	persons with disabilities	AIFO has chosen to focus its activities in supporting leprosy affected persons and persons with disabilities through integrated development projects, with particular attention towards the poorest and vulnerable groups of persons, in a spirit of partnership. AIFO uses community-based rehabilitation; most recently influenced by the 'social model of disability'.
Italy	Italian Consortium of Solidarity	http://www.icsitalia.org	survivors of torture, may include persons with disabilities	In November 2001, ICS lead the establishment of the Italian Network for the Support of Victims of Torture, whose main objective is the promotion of professional services for victims of torture (with regards to the legal, social and clinical aspects) through: the creation of territorial networks among public and private structures for the provision of services to victims of torture in Italy; the convention of a national table of experts in charge of developing quality standards and guidelines for legal, social and clinical support to victims of torture; training and supervision of social workers, specialists and medical personnel.

Latvia	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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Moldova	United Nations Child Education Fund (UNICEF)	http://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/moldova_28501.html	children with disabilities	Four years ago UNICEF teamed up with the municipal government in Chisinau and a non-governmental organization called Motivation to create the Botanical Centre. Botanical offers rehabilitation programs, counseling and access to a wide range of recreational, educational and vocational activities, to help prepare children for the future. At the Botanica Centre, children with and without disabilities mix and mingle. UNICEF is working with partners to help integrate children in wheelchairs into regular schools in Moldova.

Poland	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Romania	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.
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Ukraine	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
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United Kingdom	Disability Awareness in Action (DAA)	http://www.daa.org.uk/	persons with disabilities	DAA is a collaborative project between: Disabled Peoples' International, IMPACT, Inclusion International and the World Federation of the Deaf. DAA provides a network for the exchange of information and experience between disabled people and their representative organizations, worldwide support of disabled people's self-advocacy, and promotion and protection of disabled people's human rights.
United Kingdom	Handicap International	http://www.handicap-international.org.uk/page_367.php or http://www.handicap-international.us/hi/	persons with disabilities	Community-based Rehabilitation, mine clearance efforts, education of accident prevention, training local bomb clearance experts, supporting local mine clearance organizations. Whether dealing with prostheses, orthoses or other types of orthopedic device, the orthopedic techniques used by Handicap International's specialists are adapted to the equipment, skills and infrastructure available in the field. The prevention of disabling diseases, the creation of community health services, the provision of psychological support for victims, all these initiatives aim to fulfill the same objective: to ensure every man, woman and child receives the same level of health care.
United Kingdom	WHO Collaborating Centre for Research and Training in Prosthetics, Orthotics and Orthopedic Technology: National Centre for Training and Education in Prosthetics and Orthotics	http://www.who.int/whocc/Detail.aspx?cc_ref=UNK-201&cc_code=unk &	research and training center	1. To form a link with a University or prosthetics & orthotics school in a low-income country to: assist in the further development of curriculum & teaching methods; encourage the exchange of teachers & of information & experience; design a collaborative programme to upgrade the knowledge & skills of teachers from low-income countries; design a course aimed at the indoctrination of prosthetists & orthotists trained in the industrial world who intend to work in low-income countries. 2. To provide WHO with a literature information service in prosthetics & orthotics aimed at the identification of new texts & other publications for circulation to schools & clinical service providers in low-income countries. 3. To assist in, or contribute to the revision of WHO publications in the field of prosthetics & orthotics. 4. To apply research to the adaptation of technology to low-income countries. Also listed on http://www.who.int/disabilities/about/collaborating_centres/en/ on 1 April 2008.

Other organizations with extensive presence in the region

Country	NGO/ Agency	Web-site	Population	Activities
Albania	Inclusion International	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
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Bulgaria				
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Albania Armenia Azerbaijan Belarus Bosnia and Herzegovina Croatia Cyprus Czech Republic Estonia Georgia Greece Italy Latvia Liechtenstein Lithuania Montenegro Norway Poland Portugal Macedonia Republic of Moldova Romania Russian Federation Serbia Slovak Republic Slovenia Spain Switzerland Turkey Ukraine United Kingdom	The International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment	http://www.icevi.org/	persons with disabilities	The International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI) is a global association of individuals and organizations that promotes equal access to appropriate education for all children and youth with visual impairment so that they may achieve their full potential. Objectives: To promote and assist in building of local capacity to develop curriculum, to provide training and to identify and provide equipment and materials to children and youth with visual impairments and their parents, teachers and others in their communities. ICEVI is initiating programs at all levels to strengthen local capacity by facilitating training for professionals, facilitating access to equipment and developing distance education courses.
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Austria Belgium Bulgaria Finland France Georgia Germany Greece Hungary Iceland Ireland Italy Lithuania Netherlands Norway Poland Romania Spain Sweden Switzerland Turkey United Kingdom	Workability International-Europe	http://www.workability-international.org/	persons with disabilities	World's largest body representing providers of work and employment services to persons with disabilities. The organization was created for the benefit of persons with disabilities by: facilitating international exchanges of information, experience and ideas on the need for and arrangement and development of jobs for persons with disabilities; promoting the full range of employment opportunities for all persons with disabilities; promoting legal rights of persons with disabilities to equal opportunities and non-discrimination; and seeking to change governments' policies or decisions in relation to effective employment and/or rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.

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Brazil	Italian Association Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO)	http://www.aifo.it/english/	persons with disabilities; persons affected by leprosy	AIFO has chosen to focus its activities in supporting leprosy affected persons and persons with disabilities through integrated development projects, with particular attention towards the poorest and vulnerable groups of persons, in a spirit of partnership. AIFO uses community-based rehabilitation; most recently influenced by the 'social model of disability'.
Brazil	Workability International-Americas	http://www.workability-international.org/	persons with disabilities	World's largest body representing providers of work and employment services to persons with disabilities. The organization was created for the benefit of persons with disabilities by: facilitating international exchanges of information, experience and ideas on the need for and arrangement and development of jobs for persons with disabilities; promoting the full range of employment opportunities for all persons with disabilities; promoting legal rights of persons with disabilities to equal opportunities and non-discrimination; and seeking to change governments' policies or decisions in relation to effective employment and/or rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
Canada	Workability International-Americas	http://www.workability-international.org/	persons with disabilities	World's largest body representing providers of work and employment services to persons with disabilities. The organization was created for the benefit of persons with disabilities by: facilitating international exchanges of information, experience and ideas on the need for and arrangement and development of jobs for persons with disabilities; promoting the full range of employment opportunities for all persons with disabilities; promoting legal rights of persons with disabilities to equal opportunities and non-discrimination; and seeking to change governments' policies or decisions in relation to effective employment and/or rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
Chile	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.

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Colombia	International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)	http://www.icrc.org/	persons with physical disabilities	In 2007, working with the Ministry for Social Protection and the Colombian Red Cross, the ICRC supported a series of training sessions on first aid and on the clinical management of patients with weapon wounds for medical staff working in exposed areas. The ICRC also took an active role in creating a working group to help the Ministry for Social Protection and the National Apprenticeship Service set up training programmes for prosthetist-orthotists meeting international standards. In 2007 alone, the ICRC dealt with over 400 new victims of landmines and other explosive remnants of war and directed them to suitable medical facilities; trained 232 health promoters and auxiliary nurses from 78 health posts and centres; trained 126 nurses and doctors on the clinical management of patients with weapon wounds; fitted 38 new patients with prosthetic-orthotic devices.
Colombia	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Colombia	VSA Arts de Colombia	http://www.vsarts.org	persons with disabilities	VSA offers arts-based programs in creative writing, dance, drama, music and the visual arts implemented primarily through a network in 39 states and the District of Columbia, collaborators in 10 states, and <u>70 international affiliates in 67 countries</u> . VSA stands for Vision, Strength, and Artistic Expression. It seeks to promote worldwide awareness of the educational and cultural benefits of the arts for all people. VSA Arts' Online Gallery shows works by various artists with disabilities, on the Internet at: http://www.vsarts.org/gallery/

Costa Rica	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
Costa Rica	Mobility Project	www.mobilityproject.org	persons with disabilities	The Mobility Project is a non-profit organization committed to serving people with disabilities living in developing nations. With the help of volunteers, they deliver and individually adjust refurbished mobility aids such as wheelchairs, crutches, walkers and other medical equipment. They also provide sports programs and wheelchair refurbishing and manufacturing facilities in some of the countries where they work.
Cuba	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.

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Ecuador	Centro de Capacitacion, Asesoria, Documentacion e Investigacion Social (CECADIS)	http://www.fge.org.ec/pages/Programas/prog_Cecadis01_EN.html	capacity building for: professionals, health care providers, care takers	Centro de Capacitacion, Asesoria, Documentacion e Investigacion Social (CECADIS) is a non-profit organization that supports institutions working with people with disabilities in Ecuador. Their services include organizing advanced training courses, seminars and consultations for professionals and health care providers and the families of people with disabilities. Their facility offers classrooms, equipment and supplies as well as kitchen and dining facilities. With a capacity to accommodate up to 120 people for training and seminars the facility is fully accessible. CECADIS can provide transportation to the facility from any where in the city. In addition, CECADIS maintains a Documentation Center with approximately a volume of 5,500 units, articles and documents on disability related topics.

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El Salvador	Christian Blind Mission International (CBM)	http://www.cbm.org/en/tree/CBM_EV_EN_baumbart_15249.html	persons with disabilities	CBM supports the provision of more than 1000 programs in 113 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Fields of work include medical services, education, and rehabilitation for people with disabilities. Wherever possible, it is the aim to provide these services within the communities. Therefore, Community-based Rehabilitation programmes are promoted. The focus of CBM's work is to enable local and national partners in developing countries to implement services for people with disabilities, mainly for people with: Visual disabilities, Hearing disabilities, Physical disabilities, Mental disabilities, or Intellectual disabilities. In addition, CBM runs interdisciplinary programmes. These include the secondment of staff to CBM's partner organizations, and vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities, as well as disaster relief, in case a project is affected. Core activities in this mandated field include the following: awareness creation and advocacy, pre-vocational training, skill and vocational training, self-employment, and mainstreaming.
El Salvador	WHO Collaborating Centre for Orthopedic Technology and Rehabilitation: Department of Prosthetics and Orthotics, University Don Bosco	http://www.who.int/whocc/Detail.aspx?cc_ref=ELS-2&cc_code=els	Orthopedic and Rehabilitation training center	1. To implement & improve the quality of formal training programs for Latin America in the field of Orthotics & Prosthetics in all levels, including continuing education & postgraduate structures. 2. Finalization of the survey of disabled people in El Salvador, its translation into English & the collaboration with future activities of this kind in other countries. 3. Preparation of new advanced teaching materials in P & O for the implementation of a modular distance learning program to upgrade empirically trained technicians in Latin America & its use in continuing education training courses. 4. Development & implementation of appropriate P & O technology & the participation in applied research & investigation of orthopedic components & technologies. 5. Elaboration of guidelines for the planning & establishment of P & O Workshops including the description of a measurable quality standard for this field. 6. Implementation of a private P & O workshop model into a decentralized health & CBR structure in order to improve & widen the available services in Central America.

Guatemala	Center for the Victims of Torture	http://www.cvt.org/main.php	persons with mental health needs	The Center for the Victims of Torture provides mental health services to refugees, returning refugees and internally displaced people who have suffered torture. The Center also trains paraprofessionals who act as counselors and advocates. The Center works closely with government agencies and NGOs to provide training on identifying and working with torture survivors, develop best practices in the field of mental health, and offering referral services to other organizations.
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Haiti	Center for International Rehabilitation	http://www.cirnetwork.org/	persons with disabilities	The Center for International Rehabilitation (CIR) is a Chicago-based not-for-profit organization that develops research, education and advocacy programs to improve the lives of people with disabilities internationally. The CIR operates in collaboration with the renowned Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago and Northwestern University. The CIR, which was founded in 1996 by Dr. William Kennedy Smith, conducts fieldwork, research, training and education around the globe.
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Peru	Disabled Peoples' International (DPI)	http://v1.dpi.org/lang-en/index.php	persons with disabilities	Disabled Peoples' International is a network of national organizations and assemblies of persons with disabilities, established to promote human rights of persons with disabilities through full participation and equalization of opportunity and development. Stated goals: promote the human rights of persons with disabilities; promote economic and social integration of persons with disabilities; develop and support organizations of persons with disabilities.
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Other organizations with extensive presence in the region				
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Argentina Bolivia Brazil Canada Chile Costa Rica Cuba Dominican Republic Ecuador El Salvador Guatemala Haiti Honduras	Inclusion International Countries contd: Jamaica Mexico Nicaragua Panama Peru Uruguay United States of America	http://www.inclusioninternational.org/en/index.html	persons with disabilities	Inclusion International (II) is a global federation of family-based organizations advocating for the human rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families worldwide. II has a directory of their membership organizations, categorized by region, on their web-site.
Argentina Bolivia Brazil Canada Chile Colombia Costa Rica Cuba Dominican Republic Ecuador El Salvador Guatemala Grenada Guyana Haiti Honduras Jamaica Mexico Nicaragua Panama Paraguay Peru Uruguay Venezuela United States of America	The International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment	http://www.icevi.org/	persons with disabilities	The International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI) is a global association of individuals and organizations that promotes equal access to appropriate education for all children and youth with visual impairment so that they may achieve their full potential. Objectives: To promote and assist in building of local capacity to develop curriculum, to provide training and to identify and provide equipment and materials to children and youth with visual impairments and their parents, teachers and others in their communities. ICEVI is initiating programs at all levels to strengthen local capacity by facilitating training for professionals, facilitating access to equipment and developing distance education courses.

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