

Statement from Mr. Somchai Rungsilp, Asia-Pacific Development Center on Disability (APCD), Agenda item 5, 7 Sep 2022

My name is Somchai Rungsilp, Community Development Manager of Asia-Pacific Development Center on Disability (APCD). APCD is the regional disability inclusive development agency in the Asia-Pacific Region, located in Bangkok. We has been established by collaboration between government of Japan and Thailand and start to implement our missions since 2002.

We highly appreciate UNESCAP for serving as a focal entity to proactive promote Disability Inclusive Development in our region.

UNESCAP has endorsed APCD as a regional cooperative base for Biwako Millenium Framework for inclusive society (2003-2012), and its Incheon Strategy (2013-2022).

UNESCAP and APCD have agreement on collaboration to promote various international instruments regards Disability Inclusive Developemnt include UNCRPD, Incheon Strategy, ASEAN Enabling Master Plan 2025, SDGs, and Sendai Framework. So far the four main areas implemented as partnership collaboration are; Disability Inclusive Development, Disability-inclusive Business, Disability-Disaster Risk Reduction and Disability-inclusive COVID-19 Response.