# IASC Task Team on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action - Progress Report February 2017-February 2018:

#### **Task Team Objective:**

Creation and endorsement of IASC Guidelines on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action.

#### Tasks:

- Preparatory Phase One: Formation of Task Team and Terms of Reference and Work Plan (Q3, Q4 2016)
- Phase Two: Resource Mobilization and Human Resources (Q4 2016 Q1, Q2 2017)
- Phase Three: Data Collection, Mapping and Research (Q2, 2017)
- Phase Four: Development of Initial Draft Guidelines (Q3 2017 Q3 2018)
- Phase Five: Final Review, Validation and Production (Q4 2018)

All tasks listed above will be conducted with the full participation and inclusion of persons with disabilities and their representative organisations.

## **Key Achievements/Products/Outputs since February 2018**

- Inception workshop to brainstorm on possible shape and content of the IASC guidelines October 2016
- Financial resources mobilized from Australia, Finland and Luxembourg, and co-funding from HI, IDA and CBM (ECHO, Australia) and WRC (Australia)
- Desk review of literature, resources and other guidelines conducted- December 2017
- Multi-stakeholder workshop to develop draft outline and structure- October 2017
- Development of Draft 0 and briefing kit
- Regional Consultation in Pacific- Fiji January 2018

### Planned Activities/Products until December 2019

- Global online consultation
- Regional Consultations in Africa and Latin-America, Europe, Asia (TBC) to review the first draft and feed into a second draft
- Development of a first draft based on Pacific, MENA and global online consultations
- Development of second draft
- Piloting and testing of Guidelines
- Finalization and IASC endorsement Dec 2018 March 2019

#### **Composition of Task Team**

Individuals: 97

**Organizations**: 58 (12 DPOs; 11 NGOs; 18 UN Agencies; ICRC; IFRC; 4 Governments; ECHO; IASC Secretariat; IASC MHPSS Reference Group; IASC AAP/PSEA Team; GPC Protection Mainstreaming Task Team; ProCap/GenCap OCHA; 2 Universities; Independent experts)

WG Sponsors: Arafat Jamal, UNHCR (under Priority 2 Accountability and Inclusivity)

Secretariat Support: Isabelle de Muyser-Boucher (OCHA)



**Co-Chairs**: Gopal Mitra (UNICEF), Georgia Dominik (International Disability Alliance) and Ricardo Pla Cordero (Humanity & Inclusion). This tripartite co-chairing arrangement recognizes that the development of inclusive and accessible guidelines requires the combined expertise of UN agencies, Disabled People Organizations and humanitarian actors.