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“Accessibility is a precondition for persons with disabilities to live independently and participate fully and equally in society (...) The application of universal design makes society accessible for all human beings, not only persons with disabilities. ” GC #2 Art 9 UNCRPD





# The disability inclusive Agenda 2030

- Universal agenda to promote social, economical and ecological sustainable development
- Five goals include disability
- Persons with disabilities or disability mentioned 11 times
- Persons in vulnerable situations mentioned 6 times
- Leave no one behind



# Nordic project

- Experience- and knowledge exchange on targets 10.2, 11.2, 11.3 and 16.7
- Multi stakeholder networks will be coordinated by national agencies in the region
- Map indicators
- Map good examples of how to implement the Agenda
- Youth inclusion



# Targets and themes for cooperation

- 10.2 "By 2030, empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status" – "Democracy requires participation and participation requires universal design"
- 11.2 "By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons" – "universally designed travelling chains for citizens and visitors in the Nordic region"
- 11.3 "By 2030, enhance inclusive and sustainable urbanization and capacity for participatory, integrated and sustainable human settlement planning and management in all countries" – "smart cities are universally designed cities"
- 16.7 "Ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels" – how inclusive are the political systems in the Nordic region?
- Youth inclusion – "user involvement and citizen dialogue creates better solutions for all"





# How do we proceed with the cooperation?

- Meetings
- Project activities
- Networks
- Study visits
- Project ideas



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# Thank you.

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