



# APPROACHES USED TO MEASURE DISABILITY THROUGH CENSUSES: EQUATORIAL GUINEAN EXPERIENCE

REGIONAL MEETING ON DISABILITY MEASUREMENT AND  
STATISTICS



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**SUMMARY**



- Equatorial Guinea is a country located in Central Africa, with an area of 28,051.46 Km<sup>2</sup>. Obtained independence in 1968 from Spain. Equatorial Guinea is the only sovereign African state in which Spanish is an official language. As of 2015, the country has a population of over 1.2 million.
- INEGE was created in 2001 INEGE, but it was in 2013 when the operating decree was signed and from that moment began its activity



# DISABILITY MEASUREMENT AND STATISTICS

- Undoubtedly a major breakthrough for Equatorial Guinea in terms of the issue of disability is its incorporation into the Census of population and housing of 2015
- Further to the international recommendations issued by the Washington Group on Disability Statistics
- Support of the United Nations System Agencies such as UNDP, FAO, ILO and UNICEF
- The main objective is to produce information on the amount of the population with disabilities, the main characteristics of the disabilities that are suffered

# DISABILITY MEASUREMENT AND STATISTICS

## Advantages

Estimating prevalence and frequency

Universal coverage data

International Comparability

Chronological analysis of disability rates

Establishment of targeted programs

Sample frame

## Disadvantages

Limitation to basic socio-economic and demographic characteristics

Low frequency

Exclusion of the institutional population

Training and sensitization of interviewers

High rates of non-response



# SET OF DISABILITY ITEMS USED IN DIFFERENT INSTRUMENTS

Domain	Census 2015	WG
Mobility	Difficulty walking, moving, climbing or descending	Difficulty walking or climbing stairs
Personal care	Difficulty dressing, bathing or eating	Difficulty to perform personal care tasks, such as washing or dressing
Audition	Difficulty hearing, even using hearing aids	Difficulty hearing, even when wearing a hearing aid
Communication	Difficulty talking, communicating or talking	Difficulty communicating because of a physical, mental or emotional health problem
Vision	Difficulty seeing even wearing glasses	Difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses
Cognition	Difficulty paying attention or learning simple things	Difficulty remembering or concentrating





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# SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT IN THE POPULATION CENSUS





