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UN ACTIONS FOR INCLUSION

Video: UN Social Inclusion

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Today, we are talking to you about a key concept for building a fairer world: the inclusive society.

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At the United Nations, this idea emerged at the World Summit for Social Development in Copenhagen in 1995. An inclusive society was defined as a 'society for all' - a society in which each person, with their rights and responsibilities, has an active role to play.

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But what does that mean in concrete terms?
It is a society that recognises diversity and allows everyone to participate fully in political, economic and social life.
Regardless of origin, gender, age or place of residence, everyone should have the same opportunities to succeed.

An inclusive society is also a society where everyone feels comfortable, respected and confident.
We are talking about acceptance of others, not coercion.
And to achieve this, all stakeholders must participate in the decisions that affect them.

It is achieved through policies and concrete actions that guarantee access to rights, public services and decision-making forums.

It is this diversity that makes a society rich – in ideas, in talents, in world views.



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To ensure that no one is left behind, the United Nations has created a dedicated structure: the Department of Inclusive Social Development, or DISD.

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This department has a unique mandate: it works with often-forgotten groups - young people, the elderly, people with disabilities, indigenous peoples - but also on topics such as family, sport and cooperatives.

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The DISD takes concrete action:

- It transforms international standards into local policies
- It carries out advisory missions, organises workshops and offers practical tools
- It promotes social inclusion as a driver of the Sustainable Development Goals, in particular to eradicate poverty, reduce inequality and create decent work for all

It also publishes benchmark reports such as:

- The World Social Development Report
- The World Youth Report
- The State of the World's Indigenous Peoples

And on the international stage, the DISD supports the major decision-making processes of the UN:

- The Commissions of the General Assembly
- The Commission for Social Development
- The Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
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- The Working Group on Ageing



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In short, the DISD is a key player in advancing rights, inclusion and equality at all levels.