



“We Can Also Make Change”

Wednesday 6 November, 6pm – 7.30pm, Committee Room 19

Sightsavers, HelpAge International, Alzheimer's Disease International and ADD International warmly invite you to the launch of 'We Can Also Make Change' a report from the Voices of the Marginalised participatory research project.

Please join us for the launch of a new report which brings the real-life experiences of people with disabilities and older people in developing countries to bear on the debates currently shaping the future of international development. The stories tell of the experiences of older people and persons with disabilities in Bangladesh, at one moment in time, providing valuable testimony of the considerable equality and poverty challenges they face – in particular in securing livelihoods; accessing public services; living free of discrimination, bullying, harassment and violence; and accessing justice.

The aim of the research is to ensure that the discussions currently underway about what should replace the Millennium Development Goals are informed by the voices of the people who have the most to lose or gain from the new framework.

At this event we will hear directly from one of the peer researchers who carried out the research with members of her own community, as well as others who can set the research within the context of both the challenges faced by Bangladesh and other developing countries, and discuss what this means for the current negotiation of a replacement framework for the Millennium Development Goals.

Speakers:

- Lipi Rahman – *Resource Integration Centre – RIC, Peer researcher from project*
- David Hallam – *Prime Minister's Special Envoy on Post-2015 Development Agenda*
- Danny Burns – *Head of Participation team at IDS, Co-Director of Participate project*
- Mosharraf Hossain – *Country Director of ADD Bangladesh, and participant in meetings of the UN High Level Panel on the Post-2015 Development Agenda*
- Fiona O'Donnell MP – *Member of the International Development Select Committee (Chair)*

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