

## Session Application



Inclusion International's 18th World Congress will be held from **September 15 - 17, 2025**.



The World Congress will be in Sharjah, in the United Arab Emirates.

It will be co-hosted by our member, Sharjah City for Humanitarian Services (SCHS).



If you want to lead a session, please apply through this form. There are 2 sections to this form. You can use extra pages if you run out of room.



You must fill out this form before **February 28th, 2025**.

**If you have questions you can contact [kimber@inclusion-international.org](mailto:kimber@inclusion-international.org).**

## Rules for the sessions



- 1 There **must** be people from different countries speaking in each session.

To help you do this you can contact other Inclusion International members or other organisations to host a session together.

If you do not know who to contact, you can still apply, and the programme committee can put your session together with someone else's.



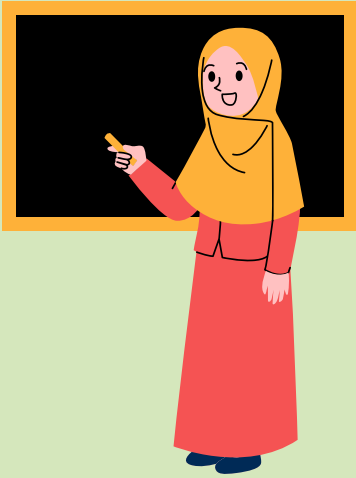
- 2 You **must** have at least one self-advocate or family member speaking.

- 3 Your session **must** be about inclusion. Sessions that are about segregation or “special” activities will not be accepted.



If you need help to make sure your session follows these rules, you can contact Kimber.

# What are the types of session?



There are three types of sessions at the World Congress:

**1 Learn Sessions:** These sessions will teach people about a good way of working. It will be like a “how-to” session.

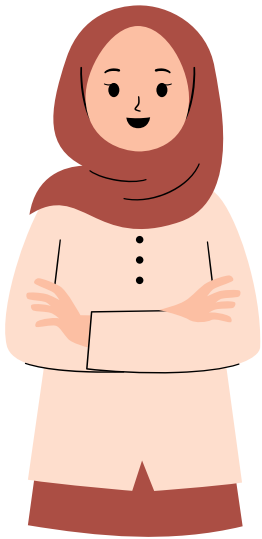


**2 Engage Sessions:** These are small sessions where the people in the room will work together. Everyone in the room will talk and take part in the activity.



**3 Impact Sessions:** These sessions will be about the different ways to solve big issues. There will be a few speakers, and they will all share stories and examples of what they did to solve a problem in their country.

# Section 1 - About You



**What is your name?**

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**What is your email address?**

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**What is your phone number?**

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**Which country do you live in?**

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**Which organisation do you come from?**

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**Who are you making this application for?**



- I am applying for my organisation to run a session.
  
- I am an Inclusion International Working Group or Discussion Group Co-Chair and am applying for our group to run a session.
  
- I am applying on my own to run a session, I not part of an organisation

**If you are applying to run a session with another organisation, what is the other organisation's name, and email address?**



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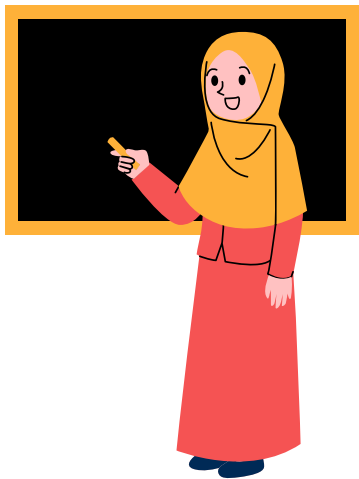
# Section 2 - About Your Session



**What is your session called?**

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**What kind of session would you like to lead at the World Congress?**

Please choose the type of session that matches your plan

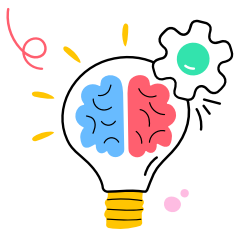
“Learn” Sessions: These sessions will teach people about a good way of working.

“Engage” Sessions: These are smaller sessions where everyone in the room take part in the activity.

“Impact” Sessions: These sessions will have different speakers sharing examples of what they did to solve a big issue in their country.



## What is your session about?



- Inclusive education
- Inclusive employment
- Closing institutions
- Decision making or legal capacity
- Social protection like government support and benefits systems
- Supporting self-advocacy
- Supporting families
- Humanitarian action
- Inclusive health
- Taking part in work that affects us (inclusive participation)
- Helping organisations build skills
- Other

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**Please explain what your session is about in 2-3 sentences.**

**This will help people decide if they want to come to your session.**

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Please explain what your session is all about in 2-3 sentences. This will help people decide if they want to come to your session.

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**Please explain what will happen in your session.**

**Please include:**

- **the topics you will focus on,**
- **a short agenda for your session,**
- **the examples that will be shared in your session.**

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**Who will be speaking in your session?**

**Please list the names and organisation. Say who the self-advocate and family speakers are.**

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**If you are applying to run an Engage type of session, what will you be asking the group to do together?**

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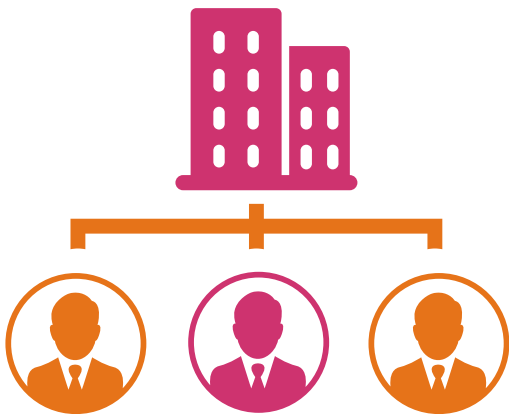
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**Who is the main audience for your session?**

**Which group would your session be the most interesting for? Who would you want to come?**



- Self-advocates
- Family members
- Organisations that advocate for inclusion
- Disability service providers
- Other organisations
- Other

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**What messages or big ideas do you want people at the World Congress to learn from your session?**

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# What next?

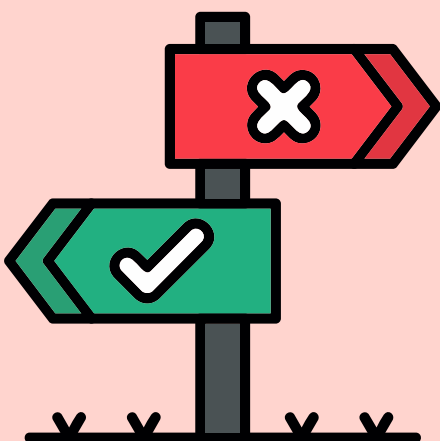


Inclusion International's Programme Committee will review your application. You will hear back by February if your idea for a session is accepted.

Lots of people will apply to run sessions about the same things, so some session ideas will be put together. This means:



- Your session might be accepted with no changes.
- Your session might be accepted, but you will be asked to work with another organisation to lead the session together
- You might be asked to be a speaker on a different session or panel instead



**If your session is not accepted in full, are you willing to be a speaker in a different session instead?**

Yes

No