



History of the CRPD and how Article 29 is being Implemented



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CRPD Timeline

- 1987: Italy and Sweden call for convention but no agreement
- 2001: Mexico suggests convention and UN accepts
- 2002-2006: The Convention was negotiated during eight sessions of the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly
- 2006: Treaty adopted by GA
- 2007: Jamaica first to ratify
- 2008: Entered into force after 20th ratification



CRPD Signatures and Ratifications

- 153 countries have signed
- 111 have ratified
- BiH ratified in March 2010



Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: Article 29

“States Parties shall guarantee to persons with disabilities political rights and the opportunity to enjoy them on an equal basis with others”

Commitment includes:

- * Ensuring that voting procedures, facilities and materials are appropriate, accessible and easy to understand and use
- * Voting by secret ballot
- * Effectively holding office and performing all public functions at all levels of government, facilitating the use of assistive and new technologies where appropriate
- * Allowing assistance in voting by a person of their own choice
- * Standing for elections
- * Working as an EMB official, poll worker, observer



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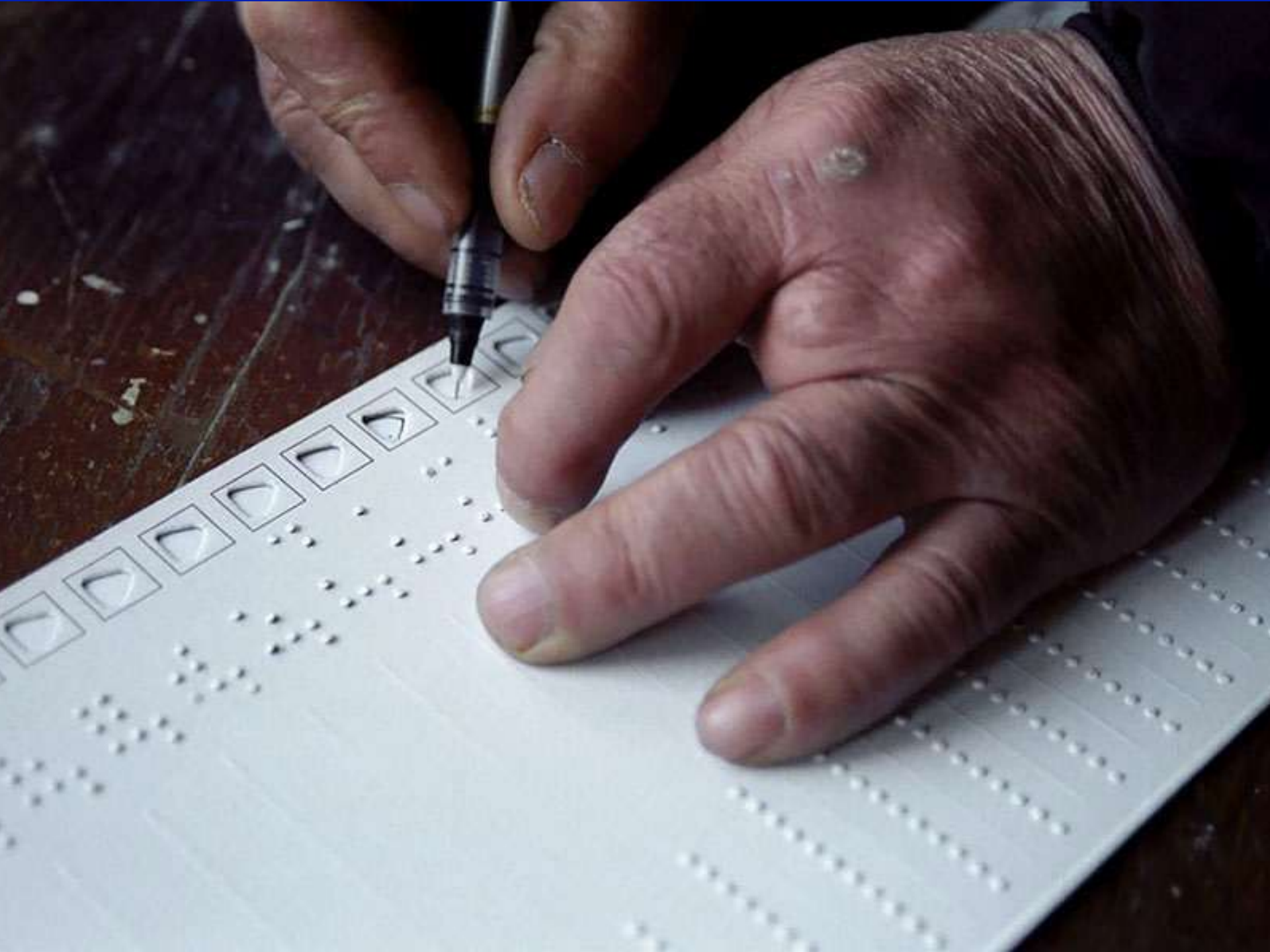
New Zealand

- Information on how to register to vote and where to go is put in easy-to-read format for persons with intellectual disabilities



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Guatemala

- * Built ramps to polling centers
- * Sign language interpreter for debates and results
- * Wrote a new chapter in the poll worker manual
- * Election law on CDs





ASEAN

- General Election Network for Disability Access
Myanmar,
Indonesia,
Cambodia,
Thailand,
Malaysia, Timor
Leste, Philippines
and Vietnam





Armenia

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