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Mainstreaming Humans rights of persons with disabilities in all policies

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Change of framework

- **From Medical Model of Disability** □
 - **To Social Model of Disability based on Human rights approach**

Medical Model

- **PWD are ill, invalid**
- **Treatment is recovery and protection**
- **The PWD need to be segregated**
- **Prevalent competences for PwD are medical**

Human Rights Model

- **PWD are citizen with different abilities**
- **PWD live discrimination & lack of equal opportunity**
- **Treatment is social inclusion**
- **All society is competent**

Definition of disability into UN Convention

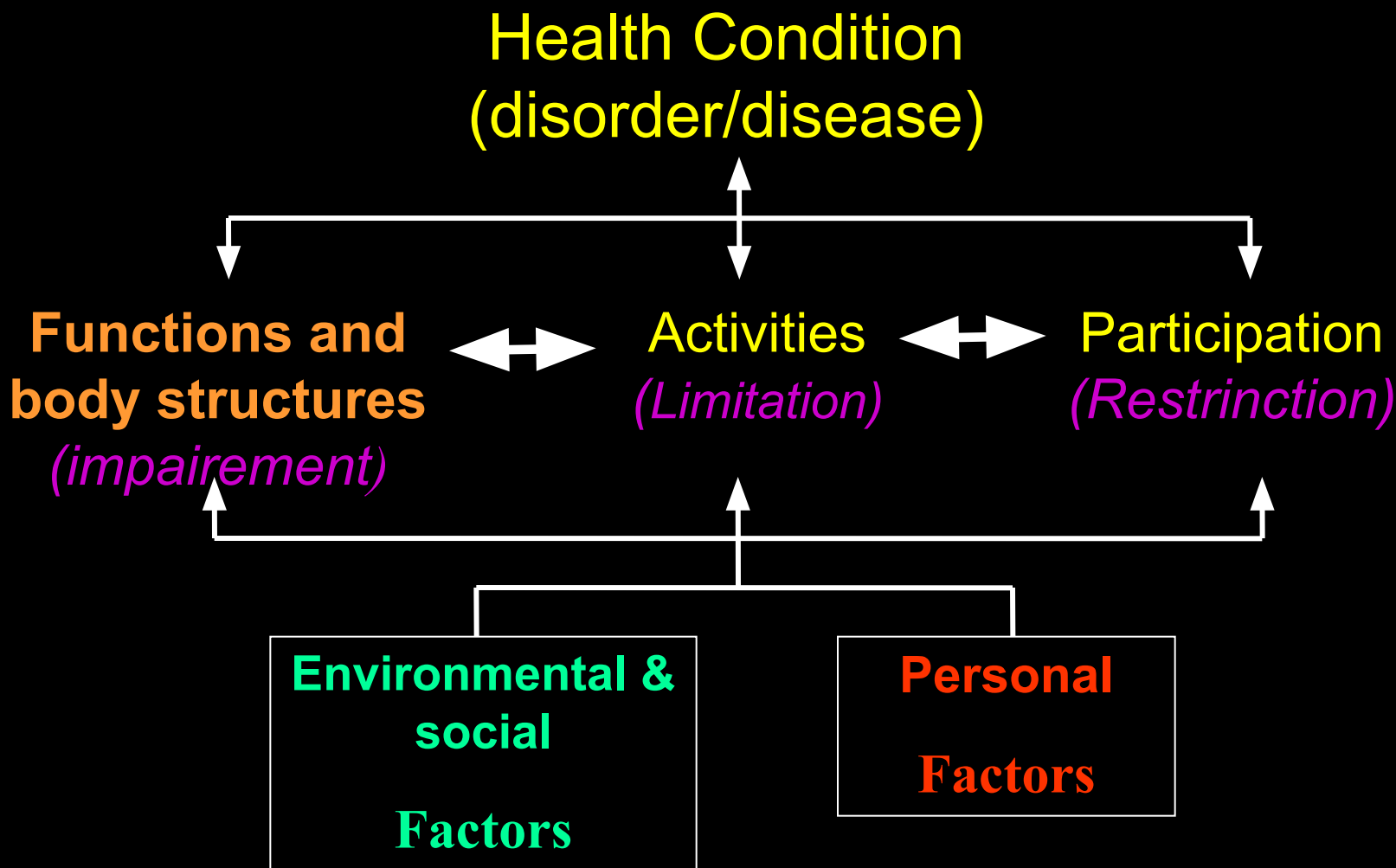
- “disability results from the interaction between persons with impairments and attitudinal and environmental barriers that hinders their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others”
(preamble)

CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

ARTICLE 3 - GENERAL PRINCIPLES

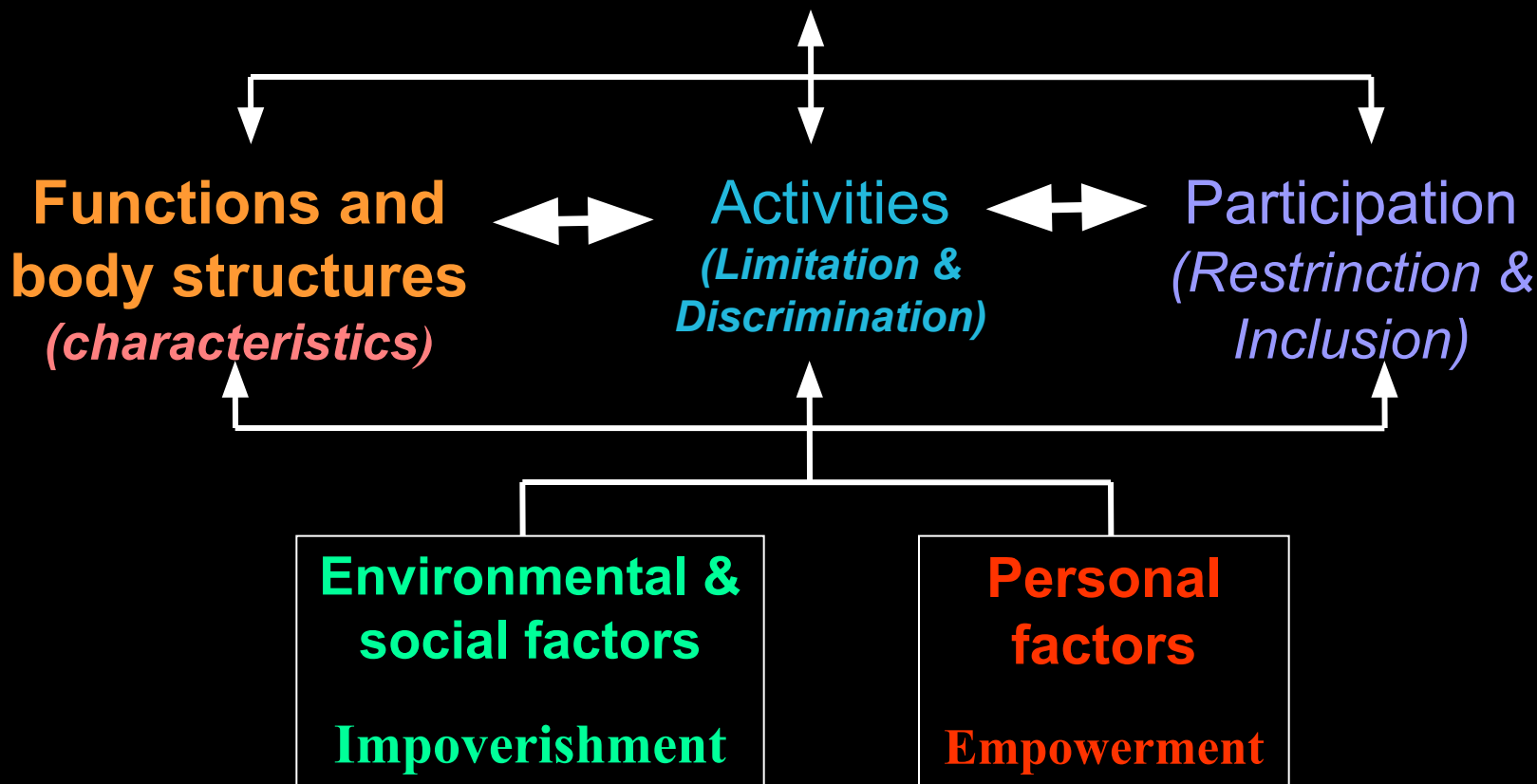
- The principles of the present Convention shall be:
- (a) Respect for inherent dignity, individual autonomy including the freedom to make one's own choices, and independence of persons;
- (b) Non-discrimination;
- (c) Full and effective participation and inclusion in society;
- (d) Respect for difference and acceptance of disability as part of human diversity and humanity;
- (e) Equality of opportunity;
- (f) Accessibility;
- (g) Equality between men and women;
- (h) Respect for the evolving capacities of children with disabilities and respect for the right of children with disabilities to preserve their identities.

International Classification of Functioning Disability and Health - ICF WHO 2001



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Human Diversity



Convention on the right of persons with disabilities and ICF

- The condition of persons with specific characteristics depend from social and individual factors
- Disability is a social relationship and responsibility of Governments and societies
- Disability is an ordinary condition of all human being

UN Convention on the rights of PwD

Article 26 – Habilitation and rehabilitation

- 1. States Parties shall take effective and appropriate measures, including through peer support, to enable persons with disabilities to attain and maintain maximum independence, full physical, mental, social and vocational ability, and full inclusion and participation in all aspects of life. To that end, States Parties shall organize, strengthen and extend comprehensive habilitation and rehabilitation services and programmes, particularly in the areas of health, employment, education and social services, in such a way that these services and programmes:
 - (a) Begin at the earliest possible stage, and are based on the multidisciplinary assessment of individual needs and strengths;
 - (b) Support participation and inclusion in the community and all aspects of society, are voluntary, and are available to persons with disabilities as close as possible to their own communities, including in rural areas.

Examples of discrimination in Italy

Ordinary PwD

Rate of

unemployment 6,0% 76,0%

Rate of

54/46

33/67

unemployment

of women

Access to trains

100%

<10%

Re-habilitate

Habilitat

e

Re-habilitate society

*Habilitate all
professionals &
politicians*

Condition of PwD in European Union

**The unemployment rate is about 80% (2003 – EUROSTAT)
16% of active population in European Union have a disability**



Mainstreaming policies

In all fields (transport, education, employment, sport, ITC, etc.)

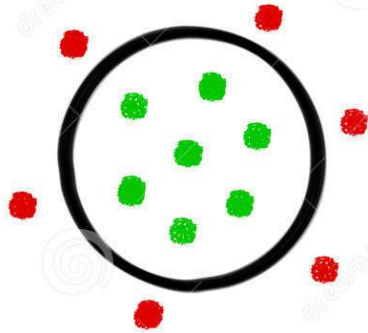
With the ordinary funds for all

With appropriate inclusive measures (non discrimination, equalization of opportunities)

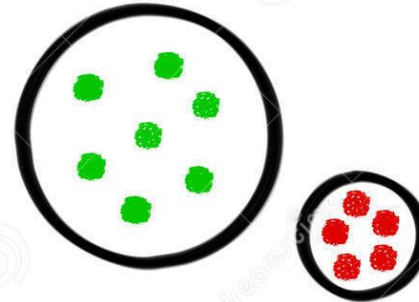
Main goal of Human Rights strategy

**SOCIAL
INCLUSION**

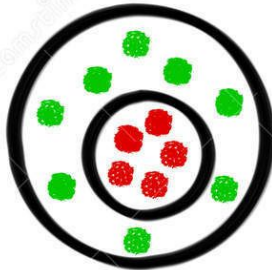
EXCLUSION



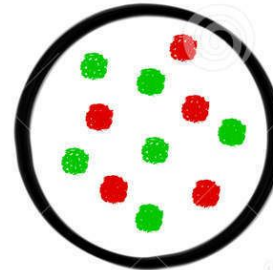
SEPARATION



INTEGRATION



INCLUSION



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Insertion Integration Inclusion

- Inclusion is a complex process to transform rules, aptitudes, behavior
- Inclusion needs instruments of participation and appropriate policies based on mainstreaming actions

Social Inclusion

- Inclusion is a right based on full participation of PwD in all fields of life on equal base by the others, without discriminations, respecting dignity and valorising human diversity, through appropriate interventions, removing barriers and prejudices and support participation based on mainstreaming policies with the goal to live in local communities

Social inclusion

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Inclusive development

Inclusive and participative Societies

- Right to be different
- Difference to be right