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Invitation to participate

The mission of United Nations Resolution 48/96 is to stimulate the quality of life by supporting the implementation of the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities.

The mission of the World Association for Supported Employment. (WASE) within the scope of the UN's Resolution, is the vocational integration of people (using the principle and technology of Supported Employment) throughout the world. WASE is a network of persons and organizations with the aim to promote supported employment all over the world.

Since 2003 WASE is active in promoting Supported Employment around the World. In cooperation with the International Labor Organisaton (ILO) a dvd is produced (in 2003) with Supported Employment information for developing countries. The dvd give examples of good practices. Interviews with employers are also included.

Since 2003 Supported Employment has developed further. Recently the focus is more on employers and the role they can fulfill in employing persons with disabilities, based on both interests.

In cooperation with the ILO preparations are made to make a new dvd. The dvd shall give new insights in Supported Employment with a central focus on employers.

Distribution of the dvd shall take place worldwide with a special attention to China, Central and South America and South Africa. It is the intention to cooperate in de production with interested international companies. For example information from Europe and China or Central and South America or South Africa shall be showed with examples of Supported Employment performances. Another idea is to list information of international companies on the dvd who have good records on employing persons with disabilities. Those participating companies are eligible for a Supported Employment award from WASE, which they can show. These information shall also be placed on the website of WASE. www.WASE.net

Interested international companies van contact WASE, see address above.

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