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Subject **Rights for Disability Development Foundation (RDDF)**

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Enclosure

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Dear Madam / Sir,

this is to confirm that Rights for Disability Development Foundation has received funding from the Small Scale Project Fund in 2017, which is administered by the German Embassy. The Small Scale Project Fund is an instrument to foster sustainable livelihoods of under-privileged people in Uganda. RDDF received a grant of EUR 7722 for implementation of a project which supported a primary school to make the school facilities more accessible for children with disabilities.

RDDF proofed to be a reliable and active partner. RDDF implemented the project according to the agreement and provided all necessary reports and accountability within the agreed time frame. We would like to recommend RDDF as a partner.

Best regards,

Birgitta Grosskinsky
Desk Officer, Development Cooperation

5.0 RDDF outputs:

From the activities undertaken by RDDF, the targeted outputs are to:

- Secure substantial participation by targeted PWDs in RDDF activities.
- Expose the targeted PWDs to information on their diverse potentials to attain self-sufficiency.
- Widen and deepen PWDs' skills base pertaining to life, work and development.
- Enable PWDs to join, participate and benefit from key networks.
- Empower PWDs to review and update their initiatives.

6.0 RDDF Activities:

For RDDF to realize its specific objectives here-above, its activities are to:

- Mobilize, sensitize the targeted, PWDs in any targeted area(s) to participate in diverse development activities- In with SDGs and the UNCRPD.
- Facilitate the capacity-building of PWDs in the diverse skills at various institutions.
- Enable PWDs trained in vocational/ entrepreneurial skills to operate enterprises of their choice.
- Design and produce disability-friendly water carriers for persons with disabilities.
- Facilitate PWDs in Uganda to access and utilize the requisite mobility appliances and assistive devices.
- Enable PWDs to network with the key institutions/organizations.
- Conduct ongoing research and documentation of issues of PWDs.
- Continuously monitor and evaluate RDDF performance.

6.1 RDDF Current Performance Status:

So far, RDDF has been able to:

- Register a Community-based Organization/ CBO with the Wakiso District local government authorities (Registration No. WCBO/2097/16).
- Open an operational Bank account with the (DFCU) Bank (Jinja Road Branch) in Kampala, Uganda.
- Enable 5 YWDs to undertake vocational skills training in Wakiso District (inline with SDG 4)-with support from M/S SPEDAG-Interfreight (U) Ltd.
- Facilitate the construction of physical accessibility structures to benefit children with disabilities at YURIE YOSHIMI Memorial Primary School at Namayumba Town Council in Wakiso District-in compliance with SDG 9 - courtesy of the Federal Republic of Germany Embassy in Uganda.
- Establish a working relationship with the Uganda National Association of the Blind/ UNAB), to co-promote the development agenda for PWDs in Uganda.
- Initiate relating with key stakeholders, for sharing knowledge, experiences and lessons, to attain good development practices for PWDs.

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For further information/enquiries and support to, RDDF work, you are welcome to contact us at:

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RIGHTS FOR DISABILITY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (RDDF)



"Struggle for our Rights"



A female trainee on left hand with physical disability undergoing practical adaptive computer science and technology training, with RDDF sponsorship



Officers from RDDF & Desk officer Development Cooperation Germany Embassy in Uganda & Yurie Yoshimi memorial primary school reviewing pre-built structure at school

1.0 Introduction:

RDDF was founded in 2013 and fully registered as a community-based organization (CBO) by Wakiso District Local Government in mid-2016. RDDF seeks to transform the livelihoods of PWDs in Uganda, in all life spheres. Consequently, Its operations are informed by local, national and international instruments, championed by the Sustainable development Goals (SDGs, currently focusing on the "Agenda 2030"

implementation framework) which is legally backed by the United National Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)

2.0 RDDF Philosophy Statement/Values:

- **Respecting self and others** - to ensure a solid team spirit - within RDDF and, between RDDF and its stakeholders
- **Upholding openness and honesty** - to attain timely transparency and accountability
- **Advancing dependability** - to optimize efficient, effective and impacting service delivery
- **Upholding beneficence** - to minimize permissive (diversionary) resource deployment and utilization

- **Appreciating and practising professional courtesy** - to celebrate while safeguarding human, material and financial resources at RDDF's disposal
- **Putting humanity first** - to serve the diverse, key stakeholders with a human touch

3.0 RDDF Vision, mission, objectives:

3.1 RDDF Vision:

A society of healthy and productive persons with disability respecting universal rights and freedoms and live harmoniously in a healthy and productive environment.

3.2 RDDF Mission:

To contribute to the health and well -being of PWDs through research, capacity building, water sanitation and hygiene (WASH), human rights observance, counseling, therapeutic games, awareness and education, and enhanced climate/environmental resilience

A female living with visual impairment standing learning practical cosmetological skills, sponsored by RDDF



4.0 RDDF Specific Objectives:

In order to fulfill its above stated mission, RDDF Specific objectives are to:

- Increase awareness about PWDs issues within the public and among community leaders.
- Enable PWDs to access key structures, resources and services - such as WASH, health and educational services Etc., by persons/youth/children with disabilities -just like other Ugandans.
- Increase the visibility of PWDs at all levels of society.
- Advance human rights issues based on gender equity approaches among PWDs in Uganda.
- Enable PWDs to operate sustainable initiatives.
- "Determine the on-going performance of RDDF.
- To improve the livelihoods of persons with disabilities.



RDDF Executive Director on left, hands over sponsorship confirmation letter to a male trainee with physical disability.