

Comments on
Infrastructure Development Bill [B 49-2013]
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Established in 1929 as a national authority with approximately 100 affiliated member organisations falling under our auspices.

- **Activities and key focus areas include:**
- **Education (ECD – ABET and vocational training)**
- **Advocacy**
- **Prevention of Blindness, and surgical reversal of blindness**
- **Social development and empowerment**



100 affiliated member organisations

Biennial conference held every 2 years

Offices in every province

Bureau for the Prevention of Blindness: cataract operations and providing spectacles

Education social inclusion and development

- Early Childhood Development : 3 Centres
- Adult Basic Education and Training (13 centres)
- Libraries for the Blind (2)
- Schools for the Blind (22)
- Employment
- Protective/Sheltered Workshops (17)
- Braille production facilities (5)
- Arts and crafts
- Sport and recreation
- Advocacy



SANCB is affiliated to:

SA Disability Alliance (12 National Disabled People's Organisations)

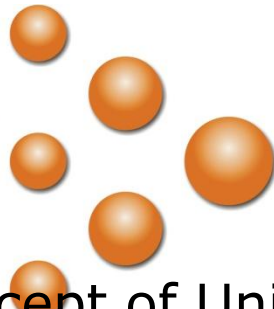
African Union of the Blind (AFUB)

World Blind Union (WBU)

International Council for Education for People with Visual Impairments (ICEVI)

International Agency for Prevention of Blindness (IAPB)

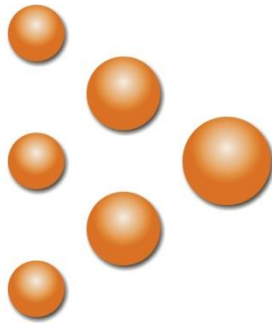




The concept of Universal Access Design must be the fundamental principle utilised in all infrastructure developments and the representative voice of people with disabilities must be consulted throughout the process envisaged in the Bill.

Universal access provides for removal of barriers, accessibility to the built environment, including physical accessibility, lighting and colour contrast.



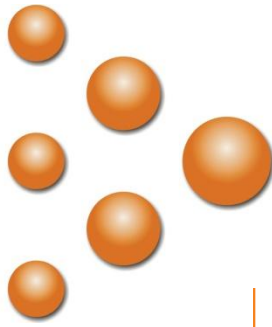


The SANCB acknowledges as a good inclusion Part 4, number 13.

Definitions: "persons the definition to be expanded to include disabled people's organisations"



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