

# OF HISTORY AND MEMBERSHIP

Tanzanian Disability Activists,  
Global Citizenship and History

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# Of History and Membership

- 9 interviews with Tanzanian DPO members
- Narratives about history of disability movement

# Membership

- James Ferguson (2002, 2006)
  - Exclusion → claiming membership in world society
- Tanzanian DPOs
  - Double exclusion
  - Claiming national and global membership
- Importance of history

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- DPOs, missionaries and special education
  - Example of CHAVITA (Tanzania Association of the Deaf)
    - Access to education
    - Resistance to missionary practices

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- DPOs as translators
  - Translating between the national and the international
  - Example of the IYDP (1981) and World Programme of Action (1982)

# Conclusion

- History
  - Illustrates claims to membership
  - Used as claim to membership