- Do you think that there are thematic priorities or other important elements missing in the proposed structure of the programming framework?

  We propose that Disability, likewise Gender should be mentioned like a cross cutting theme.

  Disability should be visible in almost all thematic windows.

  You may take as a reference SDGs:

  Persons with disabilities were not included in the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and consequently excluded from many development initiatives and funding streams.

  In contrast, the 2030 Agenda includes persons with disabilitie**s. 7 specific references of persons with disabilities in SDGs**: education (2), employment, reducing inequalities, inclusive cities (2), disaggregation of data by disability. (**All together 11 in Agenda 2030** and 9 in global indicators)

  References to vulnerable: *"People who are vulnerable must be empowered. Those whose needs are reflected in the Agenda include all children, youth, persons with disabilities (of whom more than 80 per cent live in poverty)" (*paragraph 23), This paragraph is particularly strong because it calls for the empowerment of 'vulnerable' people and places persons with disabilities at the centre of poverty eradication throughout the entire Agenda. **Including persons with disabilities among vulnerable people means that whenever 'vulnerable' is referenced throughout the Agenda (18 times), these provisions directly apply to persons with disabilities.**

- Do you have any specific suggestions in relation to the process of preparation of the strategic response by IPA III beneficiaries?

- Do you have any specific suggestions relating to how support of civil society is reflected in the programming framework?

  Here again, support to CSOs with a focus on vulnerable groups, including Roma and Egyptian, Persons with Disabilities, LGBTI, should be given visibility.

- Do you have any other comment or suggestion?