AT2030
Testing ‘what works’ to enable access to life-changing assistive technology for all.
The problem:
A lack of access to Assistive Technology (AT) for almost one billion people around the world.

Today, nine out of ten people don’t have access to the AT they need to go to school, get a job and play a full role in their communities and families.

AT access is one of the most pressing problems facing the global health sector, development agencies, governments, communities and families. The WHO estimates the need for AT will double in the next three decades.

Our research shows that the barriers to AT access, and use, result from a complex web of market and system failures, compounded by a lack of participation from AT users.

AT2030 was designed to explore, and begin to test, innovative ways to address these systematic challenges, to get more AT to the people that need it around the world.

More information is available in our AT2030 Scoping Report.

The programme:
Low cost, mass market, life-changing AT for all.

Over five years, AT2030 will test ‘what works’ to improve access to AT and will invest £20m to support solutions to scale. With a focus on innovative products, new service models, and global capacity support, the programme will reach 9 million people directly and 6 million more indirectly to enable a lifetime of potential through life-changing Assistive Technology.

The AT2030 consortium will overcome the traditional barriers to AT access, by bringing together partners who traditionally don’t work in the AT space and AT users with experts and innovators who have ideas that can scale. These interactions began in 2018 with new thinking and approaches being tested in over 15 countries in Africa and Asia.

AT2030 will have the following impact:

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AT2030 is made up of four programme clusters grouping 11 different sub-programmes.

**Data & Evidence**
Improving data and evidence to enable better decision making and unlock investment into AT.

*Sub-programmes:*
*Research, Evidence and Impact:* led by UCL, is framing the economics of AT around a mission-led approach; developing a return on investment framework; and researching what works to overcome stigma.

*Applied Research Fund:* led by GDI Hub, will issue research funding calls to address AT challenges, informed by the World Report on AT.

**Innovation**
Sparking innovation and supporting new products and service delivery models to scale access to AT.

*Sub-programmes:*
*Spark Innovation:* led by UCL and Amref, is supporting Innovate Now, an AT accelerator connected to live labs and capacity building in East Africa. Product trials and research on mobile for AT will be linked to innovation challenge investment.

*Innovation Hub India:* exploring opportunities to work with regional partners to further AT access

*Innovation Scale-Up Fund:* led by GDI Hub, will invest in disruptive AT innovations to take them to scale.

**Country Implementation**
Laying the foundations for market shaping and systems-level change.

*Sub-programmes:*
*Drive Availability & Affordability:* led by CHAI, is developing AT Product Narratives to inform global investment and shaping opportunities.

*Open-Up Market Access:* led by GATE, is developing AT product specification; a procurement guide; new training modules; trialling one-stop AT delivery; and developing new tools.

*Country Capacity Assessment:* it will be undertaken in ten countries, with rapid investment in two.

**Capacity & Participation**
Building partnerships, capacity, and community solutions; maximising the power of the Paralympics to overcome stigma and promoting inclusive design.

*Sub-programmes:*
*Build Capacity & Participation:* led by UCL, is investigating community and informal provision of AT.

*Inclusive Infrastructure:* led by GDI Hub, will develop a framework for accessible environments with six cities.

*Sport Against Stigma:* led by Loughborough University, will use the Paralympics to overcome Stigma.

*Grow the Global Partnership:* support AT scale and grow global capacity.
GDI Hub is seeking to match fund this programme. We are always willing to work with new partners to try and bring Assistive Technology to more people across the world.

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