An European Ecosystem for ICT Accessibility

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ICT Accessibility

Accessibility - prevention and elimination of barriers for use of products, services and infrastructures

Defining ICT accessibility

User needs

Implementing ICT Accessibility

Enforcing accessibility
Accessibility obligations - EU ICT related legislation

- Accessibility obligations to economic operators
  - European Accessibility Act
  - Electronic Communication Code
  - Audio Visual Media Services Directive

- Accessibility obligations to public authorities
  - Web Accessibility Directive

- Accessibility obligations in Public Procurement
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- Accessibility obligations when using EU Funds
  - Structural Funds regulations
  - Trans-European Networks
  - Common Implementing Regulation External Action and contract procedures
Products & services under EU accessibility Legislation

- Computers and operating systems
- ATMs, ticketing and check-in machines, payment terminals
- Telephones and smartphones
- TV equipment related to digital television services
- Telephony services and related equipment
- Audio-visual media services (AVMS) and related equipment
- Air, bus, rail and waterborne passenger transport services
- Banking services
- E-books
- E-commerce
- Online Public Services, websites and mobile apps
- Emergency calls
Other ICT Accessibility measures

**Standardization:**

- **Mandate 376:** Accessibility requirements for ICT products and services also to be used in Public Procurement. **EN 301 549**

- **Mandate 473** standard addressing accessibility following Design for all in the manufacturing and service delivery processes **EN 17161**

- **Mandate 420:** Accessibility requirements for the Built Environment also to be used in Public Procurement **prEN 17210**

**Awareness raising: Access.City Award**

**Financing Accessibility with EU Funds**
ICT accessibility ....Investing in the Future

-Prevention, Prevention, Prevention -> Artificial intelligence, Robotics, Internet of things, next generation of mobile networks, smart cities.....

-Research and Development on ICT accessibility

-More than a one off issue!!!!

-Training ->accessibility professionals

-European Disability Strategy 2010-2020– what's up after 2020?
Further information


European Accessibility Act Final text in OJ

European Accessibility Act - European Commission Proposal

EAA EUR-LEX texts

Web Accessibility Directive

Electronic Communication Code and Audiovisual Media Framework

Public Procurement Directives

EU Structural and investment Funds