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News about the project:

We're almost there, we have reached the final days of the project. The partners are currently planning the final event which will take place in Assisi on the 15th and the 16th of June. The ending conference of the EU.FOR.ME project will take place on the 16th, from 10:00 to 16:00. The public is invited to participate to the event which will present the project, its results and its conclusions as well as future plans. The conference programme will be available after mid May on the project website.



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Design for all in Germany

The topic "Design for All" becomes more important in Germany also in connection with the Anti Discrimination Acts and the new EU-directives for public procurement. The annual conference of the European Institute Design for All in Germany e.V. (EDAD) themed "Cities and Municipalities Built for All – living and experiences without barriers" was organised on April 7th, 2006 in Münster / Germany. The conference took place under the patronage of the lord mayor of Münster, Dr. Berthold Tillmann. The conference arrived at the conclusion that "design for all becomes more and more an important topic and universities can make an important contribution with their widespread subject offering. Furthermore, new impulses and market opportunities for Münster as a science and business location can be developed".

www.design-fuer-alle.de

Action Day of people with disabilities of the Federal State of Saxony

The World Congress and World Leading Fair of Orthopaedics and Techniques for Rehabilitation takes place at the New Exhibition centre of Leipzig from May 10th until 13th, 2006. This time there will be a new highlight at the fair - the 6th Action Day of people with disabilities in Saxony. Subject of this Action Day is "Mobility - precondition for equality and integration of people with disabilities". For visually impaired and blind people it will be possible to drive a lorry, a car or a motorbike in an open area. Other groups for self-help of people with disabilities will inform about their work and give good advice to everybody who is affected by disability. www.leipziger-messe.de and www.ort2006.de.

News from Italy - edited by Italian Partners

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Travelling is easier with the C.A.R.E. project!!!

C.A.R.E., Accessible Cities in the Regions of Europe, is the project managed by the Emilia Romagna Regional Administration in cooperation with organizations of different Countries. The initiative intended to develop a network of accessible services and facilities by adopting a standardised accessibility rating method; to carry out communication and information campaigns for citizens and tourists to promote the creation of the "friendly cities". Surfing the web site <http://www.interreg-care.org/> it is possible to download publications on accessible tourism and free time (specialised guides, researches etc.).

“Accessible Parks”: a project about the Italian natural reserves

The cooperation between CTS (Students Tourism Center), Legambiente and Co.In (Cooperative Integrate Onlus) has allowed to produce useful instruments to discover and value the Italian Natural Reserves also for visitors with specific needs. The project has been founded by the Ministry of Labour and Welfare. The results are: the web site <http://www.parchiaccessibili.it> with descriptions of the structures located in the natural reserves and their accessibility conditions; a guide book of the regional parks and finally a CD-Rom containing the guide lines about the designing of green areas.

News from Luxembourg - edited by Info-Handicap Group

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Diary and memories of the Luxembourgish group

“During my trainings in my Institution, The Kräizbiërg, we went on holidays camps several times. Once, during the summer, a group of 20-30 persons went to the Ardeche, in the south of France for five days. We had a programme with many activities. Once we made 15 kilometres kayaking, per two, I was with my educator Nadine. We fell two times in the water and it was difficult to enter the kayak again! By night, we went out, we had drinks before going to sleep under canvas.”

“During secondary school we went to Paris, at the Euro Disney. We slept in small but well equipped cottages (David Crockett style!). It was all accessible and we had many different places to manage our wheelchairs. We spent the whole day playing in the Park. With a special card we could enter all the attractions without making the queue. There were few stairs but most of the attractions were already accessible.”

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“Routes without frontiers”: a tourist circuit dedicated to people with disabilities

The Association for the Development of the Comarca de Olivenza, REDR member, has begun working for the realisation of a trans-national cooperation Project which wants to guarantee the accessibility for all people with disabilities to all the tourist places on the Comarca de Olivenza. The works will deal with the preparation of a tourist route dedicated to people who have some physical or psychical disabilities. First of all, the works have to eliminate the architectural barriers which block the accessibility of hotels, restaurants, rural accommodations, museums, historical-artistic monuments and all the places and services which could be visited by tourists.

A new vehicle to transport people with disabilities on the beach or in the snow

The Manager of Novaf, Fernando Enriquez, explained Solidaridad Digital, the operation of this new system, to facilitate the movement of people with disabilities along difficult soils. “The new machine is always driven by an operator who never loses sight of the carried person” pointed out Enriquez. Besides, “the new vehicle will pick up the user at the sea walk and he/she will be carried where they want on the beach “ Enriquez explained. Also, if needed, a ramp facilitates the entrance of wheelchair users in the vehicle, and handrails are available on board.

News from Sweden- edited by Rasmus Isaksson

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Swedish Minister participates in a Turism för alla seminar

The Swedish Minister for Social Affairs, Berit Andnor, was recently invited to take part in a seminar by *Turism för alla*. She stated that she was very impressed by the work done by *Turism för alla* and she thought that this was a concrete example of a local initiative achieving change and wished that this kind of work would be done throughout Sweden. She was

particularly impressed by the manner in which *Turism för alla* involves concerned actors from all sectors.

Enquiry in Sweden: insufficient accessibility considered discrimination

The Swedish Discrimination Committee is of the opinion that the process for making Swedish society accessible for persons with disabilities should accelerate. Therefore a more comprehensive legislation against discrimination – the Prohibition and Other Measures Against Discrimination Act – has been proposed, in combination with a better organization for the work against discrimination. The law will contain both regulations on active measures against and banning of discrimination.