



## Accessible Tourism is:

 "Tourism for All" – making environments, venues and services suitable for the widest range of customers, including people with disabilities, seniors, families with small children... and many more.

## **ENAT's Mission**



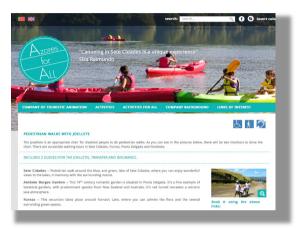
The mission of the European Network for Accessible Tourism is to make European tourism destinations, products and services accessible to all travellers and to promote accessible tourism around the world.



## Working for ...



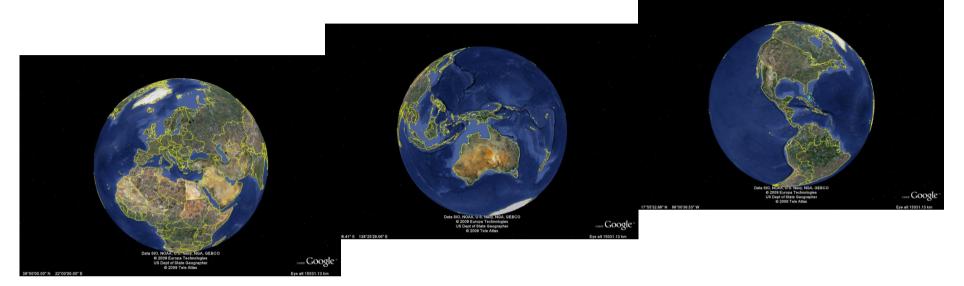




# Visitors Businesses Destinations







- NGO, (asbl.) established in Belgium, 2008
- Began as an EU Pilot project: "Mainstreaming Disability Policies in the Tourism Sector" (2006 -7)
- Founded by a multi-stakeholder consortium united in the purpose of developing and promoting better accessibility in tourism for ALL visitors
- Open to all organisations and persons who support its
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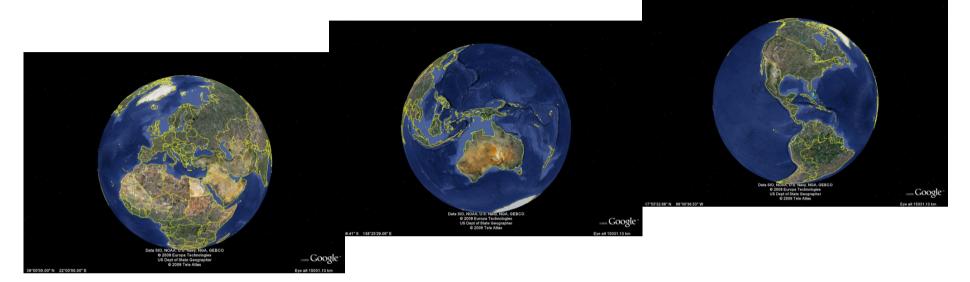


100 members in more than 50 countries

In Europe, Middle East, Africa, North and South America, Asia, Australasia – Pacific regions





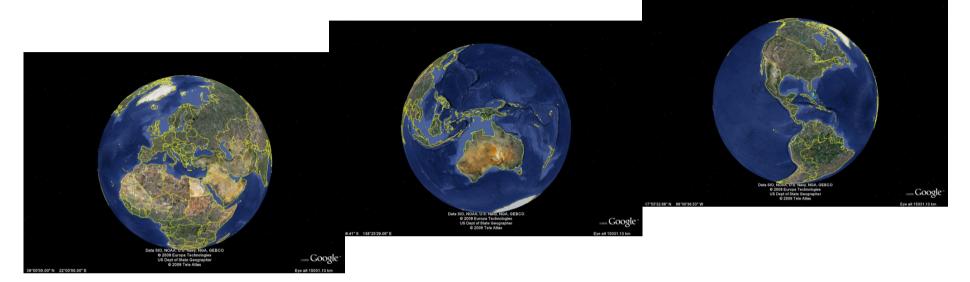


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## **ENAT Members**

Total membership of ENAT asbl on 31.12.2014

20 Full Members9 Honorary Associate Members65 Associate Members (paid-up members in 2014).

### 94 Total

### **18 ENAT National Contact Points**

http://www.accessibletourism.org/?i=enat.en.enatnationalcoordinators

## **ENAT Full Members**

- Consorzio Sociale COIN, Italy,
- Fundación ONCE, Spain
- EWORX S.A., Greece
- ENTER vzw., Belgium
- ANLH asbl, Belgium
- IVOR AMBROSE Technical Services, Greece
- IBFT, Austria
- Access Sweden, Sweden
- Accessible Portugal
- Work Research Centre, Ireland
- Tourisme et Handicaps, France
- CPD TURISMABILE, Italy
- Institute Carlo Besta, Italy
- Regione del Veneto, Italy
- Village for All, Italy
- Red Estable, Spain
- PREDIF, Spain
- Agència Catalana de Turisme, Spain
- Polibienestar, University of Valencia, Spain
- TURSAB, Turkish Association of Travel Agents, Turkey

## **ENAT National Contact Points**

Belgium (Flanders) Enter vzw.

Belgium and ENAT Headquarters ANLH

Egypt MSG holdings

Libya Attyseer for Planning and Engineering

Ireland Work Research Centre

Greece EWORX S.A.

**Cyprus** Cyprus Tourism Organisation

Czech Republic KAZUIST, spol. s.r.o.

**France** Association Tourisme et Handicaps

#### ENAT European Network for Accessible Tourism

Georgia

NGO "PARSA"

Italy Consorzio Sociale COIN

The Netherlands Accessible Travel Netherlands

Portugal Accessible Portugal

Poland Accessible Poland Tour

Slovenia Premiki Institute

**Turkey** ENAT / A. Nejat Şardağı

**Spain** Fundación ONCE

**Sweden** ENAT, 22 September 2015 Turism for Alla i Sverige

## ENAT Partners (signed MoU)



UN World Tourism Organisation



Lonely Planet



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FOUNDATION

OITS-ISTO – International Social Tourism Organisation

Design for All Foundation, Spain



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European Alliance for Responsible Tourism and Hospitality



Gaates - Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments



**Rolling Rains** 



Sustainable Travel International



EASPD – European Association of Service Providers for People with Disabilities

## **ENAT on Social Media**



**ENAT LinkedIn** 1331 members, started 15 July 2011 https://www.linkedin.com/grp/home?gid=4003674

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**Twitter** 823 followers, following 171 with 744 tweets. Joined August 2009 https://twitter.com/euaccesstourism



**ENAT Facebook** 1775 likes https://www.facebook.com/accessibletourism



**ENAT Facebook Group** 175 Members https://www.facebook.com/groups/accessibletourism/

## Recent and New ENAT Projects & Initiatives

- Pantou EU Accessible Tourism Directory (EU)
- T-GuIDE Training Tourist Guides (EU)
- Europe Without Barriers accessible itineraries (EU)
- BRENDAIT accessible destination development & marketing (EU)
- APP-TOUR-YOU (new EU project, 2015)
- ELEVATOR (new EU project, 2015)
- ENAT Turismo de Portugal Framework Agreement
- Renewed agreement: UNWTO ENAT ONCE Foundation
- www.accesstraining.eu

### Pantou – European Accessible Tourism Directory



- Register of 500+ suppliers with accessible services
- Levels of service guaranteed by international national / regional access schemes or Pantou Access Statement
- Pantou is the Greek word for "everywhere"

www.pantou.org



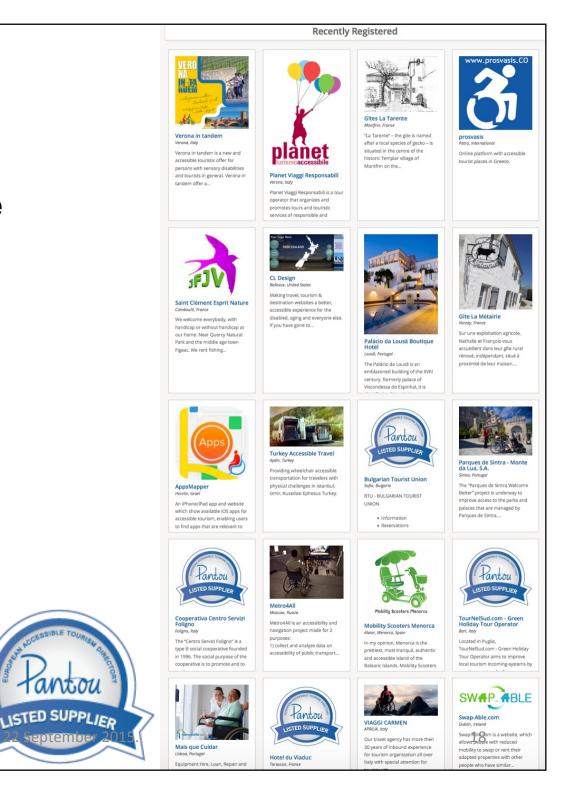
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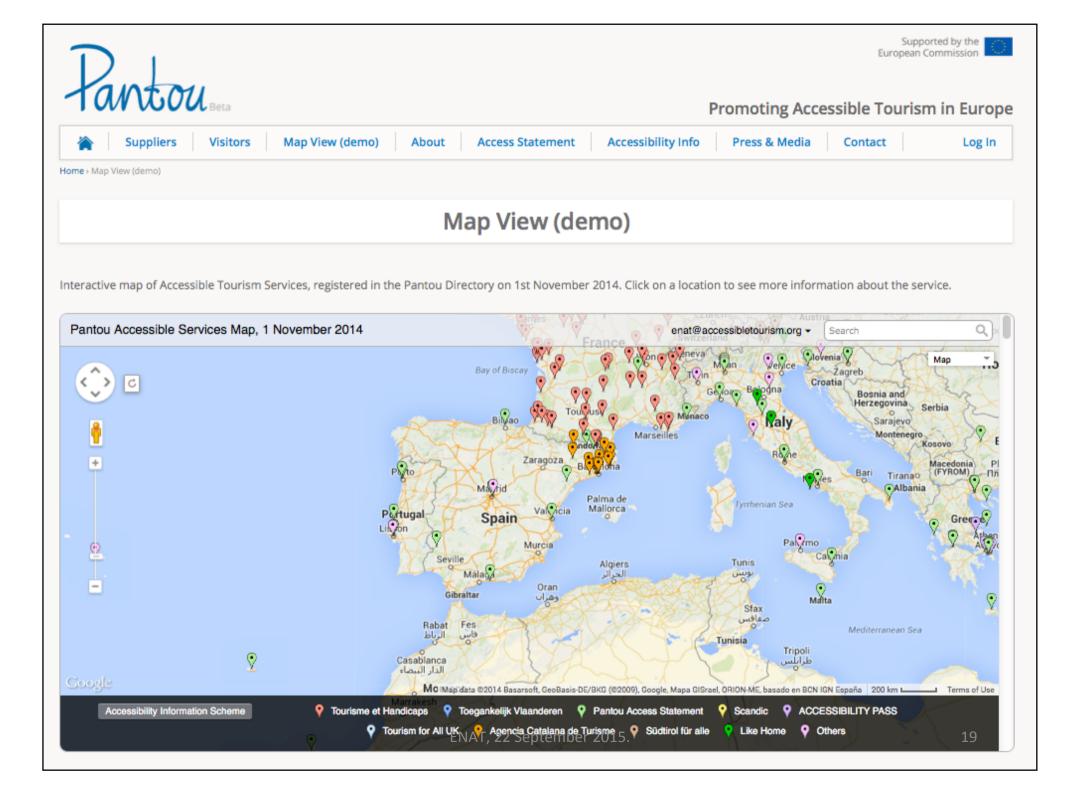


## http://Pantou.org

### The European Accessible Tourism Directory

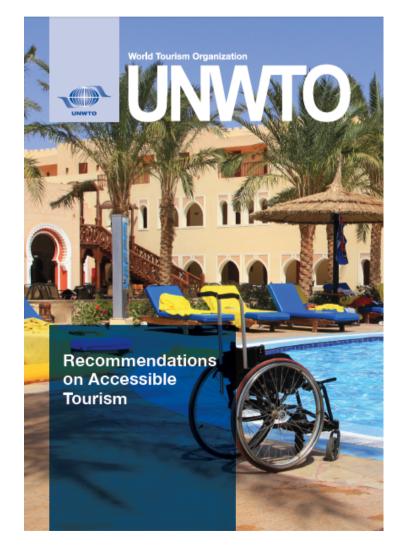
- Funded by the European Commission
- Supporting tourism businesses and other service providers
- 70 types of services
- Services catering for ALL customers (14 types of categories / access needs)





### A Global Initiative for Accessible Tourism Promotion and Development





*"Recommendations on Accessible Tourism "Adopted by UNWTO General Assembly Resolution A/RES/*637(XX) of August 2013"

Recommendations developed with the support of the **ONCE Foundation** for social and economic inclusion of people with disabilities and the **European Network for Accessible Tourism (ENAT)** 

### Montreal Declaration on Accessible Tourism



Declaration from the World Summit **Destinations for All** Montreal, 2014

Having met in Montreal, Canada at the **World Summit Destinations for All**, from October 19 to 22, 2014, we, as women and men from various countries and regions around the world, including professionals, representatives of NGOs and various sectors of civil society, universities, international and multilateral agencies, and employees of government institutions, we hereby agree to the following Declaration:

Recognizing the important contributions made to the development and promotion of *Tourism* and *Destinations for All*, (including for persons with disabilities, seniors, families and other visitors), and understanding that local citizens are the first to benefit from such efforts, including the following key initiatives:

- The Declaration on the Rights of Disabled Persons (UN, 1975)<sup>1</sup>;
- The Principles of Universal Design, Version 2.0. Raleigh, NC: North Carolina State University, The Center for Universal Design (1997)<sup>2</sup>
- The Global Code of Ethics for Tourism (UNWTO, 1999)<sup>3</sup>;
- □ 2010: A Europe Accessible For All (European Commission, 2003)<sup>4</sup>;
- □ The Rio Charter on Universal Design for Sustainable and Inclusive Development (2004)<sup>5</sup>;
- □ The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN, 2006)<sup>6</sup>;
- The Takayama Declaration on the Development of Communities-for-All in Asia and the Pacific (UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP, 2009)<sup>7</sup>;
- The ISO Standard 21542:2011, Building construction Accessibility and usability of the built environment providing a global reference for the design of buildings including tourism infrastructure (2011)<sup>8</sup>;
- □ The Italian Manifesto for the Promotion of Accessible Tourism (2011)<sup>9</sup>;
- The World Report on Disability concluding that more than 1 billion people worldwide live with a disability (World Health Organization 2011)<sup>10</sup>;
- The 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Responsible Tourism in Destinations addressing Access to All (ICRT, Canada, 2011)<sup>11</sup>;
- The relevant Standards and Recommended Practices of Annex 9 Facilitation to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago Convention, 1944) and the Manual on Access to Air Transport by Persons with Disabilities (International Civil Aviation Organization, 2013)<sup>12</sup>;





Content of the declaration: <u>www.keroul.qc.ca/DATA/TEXTEDOC/</u> <u>Declaration-Montreal-Eng.pdf</u>

To sign the declaration: <u>www.destinationspourtous2014.com/en/</u> <u>declaration</u>

Endorsed by conferences in San Marino, Kuala Lumpur and Amman, 2014 - 2015.

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## **World Network for Accessible Tourism**



#### Motivation

- A private, independent non-profit association at the global level
- UNCRPD: Enabling all people to enjoy tourism: "A World For Everyone"
- To overcome "market failure" in the tourism and travel sector
- Promoting international and national policies on AT
- Developing and promoting common standards
- Showcasing good policies and practices
- Promoting sustainable tourism in sustainable communities

#### Means

- Increasing global networking possibilities among stakeholders
- Creating a recognised global brand
- Encouraging and enabling innovation in the tourism sector
- Sharing knowledge, enhancing skills
- Promoting ethical standards and developing shared values



## **World Network for Accessible Tourism**

#### Needs

- Active members and partners!
- Political support
- Financial support
- Technical support
- Communications plan
- Business Plan: Funding and development

### Method

- Virtual Network Online Social Innovation Community
  - A window on the market of accessible tourism for all dissemination!
  - Self-initiated Working Groups, Sections, Regions
- Engage National Tourist Boards
- Engage with businesses (e.g. UNWTO Ethical Charter signatories)
- Engage with tourists / travellers e.g. Lonely Planet members
- Stimulate and support Regional, National and Local Initiatives
- Organised by existing networks (ENAT, SATH, KEROUL, UNESCAP, etc.), with new regional associations joining...

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#### Some possible products

- WNAT Global News and Events service E-Bulletin
- WNAT Global Accessible Tourism Directory
- WNAT Observatory on Accessible Tourism
- Partner search, project design and implementation
- WNAT Guidelines and standards for AT
- WNAT Code of Good Conduct (modelled on the ENAT Code)
  - http://www.accessibletourism.org/?i=enat.en.enat-code-of-good-conduct
- WNAT Accredited Training Centres and Training Courses in AT
- WNAT Accredited Accessible Tourism consultants (database)

### Next steps

- Governance framework "Leaders' Group"
- Inventory of resources organisations, people, knowledge bases, possible funding models and sources
- WNAT Roadmap: Mission, objectives, branding
- Fund-raising: incentives and rewards
- Engage with stakeholders and recruitemembers



## **Lonely Planet**

- During 43 years over **135 million guidebooks sold**
- Lonely Planet is the world's number one guidebook publisher.
- Editorial independence: the world's most trusted resource for travel information.
- Having appointed an Accessible Travel Manager and launched its Travel for All initiative in 2013, Lonely Planet is now pioneering a means of providing the same level of in-depth and reliable information about accessibility to over 1.1 billion travellers with disabilities worldwide.
- In February 2015 alone, <u>Lonelyplanet.com had more than 49 million page views with more than 12</u> <u>million visits and 9 million unique visitors. Its total social community</u> <u>numbers more than 6 million:</u>
- the main Lonely Planet Twitter account has 2.3 million followers, with 1 million more following its regional accounts
- its Facebook page enjoys almost 1.3 million likes
- its Google+ community has 1.5 million members
- its YouTube channel has more than 100,000 followers.
- its dedicated Travel for All Google+ accessible travel community ( <u>https://plus.google.com/communities/114049628154087345562</u>) has approximately 2500 <u>members</u> ENAT, 22 September 2015.



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