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Work package 4

Recommendation for EU policies

- To produce recommendations on how to protect and enhance the mobility rights of disabled people.
- To identify the needs for future research.
- To identify the conditions for transferability of best practice between countries.

Work package 5

Dissemination activities

- To disseminate widely information about the project itself and its results.
- To organise a final workshop to interact with stakeholders and ensure efficient dissemination and use of the results.

Work package 6

Coordination activities

- To coordinate the scientific activities of the project.
- To manage the quality process of the project.
- To carry out the administrative and financial management of the project.

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The goals of Euro Access

The objective of the Euro Access project is to contribute to the development of EU policy on the accessibility of the transport systems in the 27 member states, and two EFTA countries, in order to promote the social integration and active participation in society of people with disabilities.

The main goals of Euro Access project are:

- To establish an inventory of current policies and legal frameworks and guidelines on accessibility of public transport systems in the EU.
- To raise awareness of user needs and expectations for an accessible public transport system for people with disabilities.
- To highlight best practice in the EU on national policies, technical innovations, services provided and their potential correlations with the employment of people with disabilities.
- To make recommendations for a common legal framework in the EU on the accessibility of transport systems.

These strategic objectives will be achieved through a detailed inventory and additional surveys.

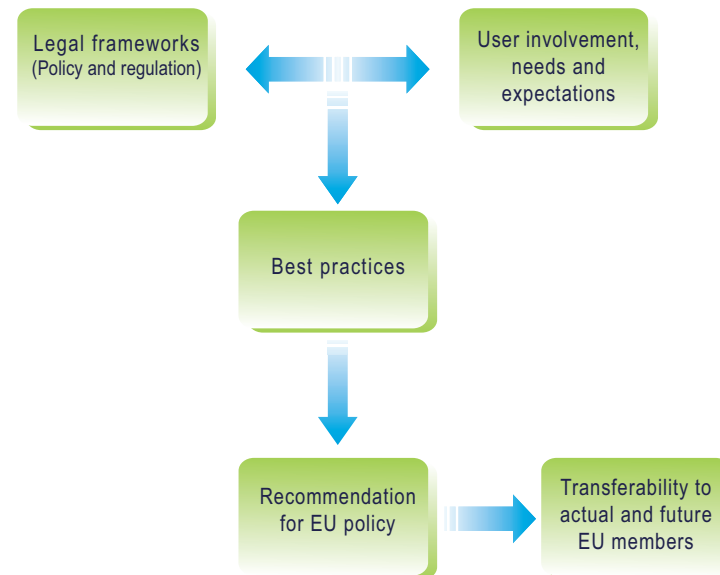


SIXTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

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Approach and organisation

The Euro Access approach is to analyse the legal frameworks in the EU member countries and to report on the needs and expectations of people with disabilities regarding accessible transport. These two sources of information will be used to highlight best practices and to propose a framework for the transferability of good practice between EU countries.



The Euro Access project is organised in three main phases:

- Collection of data using surveys and literature review.
- Analysis of data and recommendations.
- Dissemination of project knowledge.

Activities

Work package 1

Review of current policies and legal frameworks

- To provide an inventory of policies and legal frameworks of the 27 member states, and two EFTA countries.
- To identify the relevant standards and guidelines used in these countries.
- To describe pricing strategies for people with disabilities.
- To analyse in particular the national provisions governing accessibility to the public transport system for people with disabilities in relation to employment and education.

Work package 2

Users' needs and expectation

- To review existing surveys on the needs of people with disabilities for accessible transport.
- To review existing surveys highlighting the interaction between mobility and work/ education access.
- To develop a framework for mobility planning for people with disabilities.

Work package 3

Best practices and related cost benefit analysis

- To review best practices, innovations and the cost benefit analysis provided in EU countries in order to improve the accessibility of public transport systems.
- To identify the methods to be used by decision makers for assessing the transferability of the best practices identified.