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Call for proposals to promote and protect the rights of persons with disabilities

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Action title	EU grant (€)	Application reference
PARVIS - Promoting Awareness on the Rights of Visually Disabled People in an Inclusive Society	462.623,13	VP/2019/016/0006

Summary of the action

The PARVIS project will massively raise awareness on rights-based issues faced by blind and partially sighted citizens in Europe hindering their full inclusion.

Consisting of rights and communication experts, our team will develop a wide range of tailor-made communication materials, harmonised at the European level, to promote and protect the rights of blind and partially sighted citizens more efficiently with decision-makers, the media and the general public. A generic Twitter campaign will focus on ten key rights violations, experienced by visually impaired citizens while a second Twitter campaign will specifically address their right to culture. Audio and visual accessible content will be produced including short animated videos, a longer real-footage video featuring the rights-related problems faced by a visually impaired person in her/his very day life, as well as a podcast covering a specific right every two months. Guidelines on audio description including national good practices will also be put together.

As a complement, national visual impairment organisations will receive rights-based training on how to better advocate for blind and partially sighted citizens' rights and contribute to the European Commission's work. Additionally, specific info sessions will raise visually impaired citizens' awareness on their rights.

Finally, a European decentralised awareness-raising action will be held on the occasion of the Day of Europe and a European seminar on non-discrimination will be held with experts.

All these actions will be carried out in the light of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), the follow-up European Disability Strategy and the European Pillar of Social Rights. Materials developed will be accessible and available in several languages, thus leaving no blind and partially sighted citizen behind (including in EU accession countries) during and after the project's lifetime.

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Action title	EU grant (€)	Application reference
Inclusive SMEs in Europe" (i-SME)	468.459,32	VP/2019/016/0080

Summary of the action

In the i-SME project the partnership is going to support the Commission's ongoing and future disability initiatives including the implementation of the European Disability Strategy and the European Pillar of Social Rights. The main goal of the project is to "include" the SMEs owners and senior management into the implementation of disability policies through undertaking action on the side of the labour market to win their attention, awake the interest and motivate them to action: the more SMEs will be made aware of the work potential of PWD and of all the support they can receive locally, regionally and nationally, the more SMEs will open their doors for PWD.

The i-SME planned actions to raise awareness are based on following pillars.

1. Theory of behaviour change

It is proven that the changing of behaviour is positively influenced when 'reaching the subject through the right channels, and providing the subject with information in the right way, on the right moment and with the right content'. These theories of change have been successfully implemented in various areas and reaching out to SMEs with the topic of disability employment shall be another example of its efficiency.

2. Information and Motivation

The SMEs will be targeted through contemporary media and digital products and should thus become an additional impulse to think on the problems of persons with disabilities. Followed by an active i-SME media campaign made in coordination and with support of the relevant stakeholders the SMEs will get engaged into realization of employment and social inclusion rights granted through UNCPRD.

3. Access to support services and infrastructure.

The products developed within i-SME project will provide an easy access to all need information to facilitate decision-making by providing all the information on the support opportunities and especially services of employment integration programmes already existing in the partner countries

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Action title	EU grant (€)	Application reference
Advanced Methodologies to Identify, Assess and Transfer Innovative Solutions for the Accessibility of People with Disabilities (ACCESSIBILITECH)	391.327,25	VP/2019/016/0227

Summary of the action

The overall objective of ACCESSIBILITECH is to define, validate and implement an advanced methodology to identify, analyse, disseminate and transfer innovative experiences that use technology to guarantee the accessibility of people with disabilities in the areas of teleworking, eLearning and online care services, to be codified by developing and testing an 'Inclusive and Accessible Technology Chart and Guidance' (active listening tool + scale-up, transfer & replication tool) in areas that are key to ensure equal opportunities of people with disabilities and related groups with similar needs, supported by:

- A European Technology Surveillance Team (ETST): a complementary and multidisciplinary team (50% women and 50% people with disabilities) with varied knowledge and experience (ICT, Computer Science, Accessibility and Social Sciences) to jointly work with one purpose: fostering and promoting accessible technology and solutions

An EU Knowledge Hub (KH): a multidisciplinary ecosystem established with the major European networks of technological businesses, services providers for people with disabilities and associations of people with disabilities to join forces and ultimately, to respond in a concerted way to the challenge of developing inclusive and accessible technology and to increase awareness of its added value for society. Its core aim will be to establish connections and links between existing initiatives, working groups and hubs specialised in accessibility.

The ultimate purpose of promoting the use of these tools is to improve and enhance e-inclusion and e-accessibility so that people with disabilities and other related groups with similar needs, such as older people, can realise their rights with equal opportunities. These tools will initially focus in the 3 above-mentioned areas, but with the potential to widen their scope of search and/or scalability, transferability and replicability to other thematic fields.

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