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Working to build up a European information system and a collaborative portal on ICT-based Assistive Technologies and inclusive solutions.
Background

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is a powerful driver for inclusion and quality of life of people with disabilities, as it contributes to remove barriers they may face in everyday activities.

However, ensuring access to ICT Assistive Technology (ICT-AT) equipment, systems and services is not straightforward, due to information that is often patchy, not well distributed or simply absent. This leads to market fragmentation. The ETNA and ATIS4all projects are working to provide a solution to this information need.

What are ATIS4all & ETNA?

ATIS4all (Assistive Technologies and Inclusive Solutions for all) and ETNA (European Thematic Network on Assistive Information and Communication Technologies) are two EU-wide Thematic Networks, overall involving 43 leading institutions from 16 European Countries. These networks have worked together – also in cooperation with the European Assistive Technology Information Network (EASTIN) – at developing a European information system and a collaborative portal on ICT-based Assistive Technologies and Inclusive solutions.

The cooperation between the two networks has led to the creation of two coexisting, communicating portals: the ETNA information system (http://test.etna-project.eu) – a search engine that aggregates information from various providers and repositories all over Europe and beyond, which will be later inherited and led by the EASTIN Association, thus giving birth to the EASTIN 2.0 Portal (http://eastin.eu) – and the ATIS4all collaborative portal (http://collaborativeportal.atis4all.eu) – an open and collaborative portal that offers reliable information on ICT ATs, inclusive solutions and R&D initiatives, and fosters online discussion, exchange of knowledge, expertise and sharing of information among its different portal members, which aims to benefit all key actors in the value chain of ICT ATs and accessibility products (from research centres to end-users).

Be part of our networks

Any organisation working in any field related to ICT-AT and inclusive solutions can become a member of the collaborative portal or an information provider.

How to become a member of the ATIS4all Collaborative Portal

If your organisation wishes to access reliable information, exchange knowledge and experience and contact other key actors in the field, just join the ATIS4all collaborative portal at http://collaborativeportal.atis4all.eu. It is free to register and participate and this will allow you to enjoy the benefits of a portal specifically designed to maximize its value for all sort of key actors in the ICT AT and inclusive solutions field. It is a one-stop-shop that addresses your needs, with a European focus and a non-commercial driven approach.

How to become an information provider to the ETNA Information system

If your organisation operates a web-based repository or database of AT information, and wishes to make it available to a wider audience, then consider joining our information system. In this way you will contribute to provide a useful service for citizens and increase public awareness on these issues. You just need to send an email to info@etna-project.eu illustrating the kind of information contents you will be able to share with us. You will thus take advantage of a powerful user-friendly multilingual search engine, expanding world-wide outreach and assuring a comprehensive response to all stakeholders’ needs and requests.