Get involved in inclusive tourism

Communicating and marketing tailored offerings to people with disabilities





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Motor disabilities

People with motor disabilities have limited mobility

Their mobility can be affected:

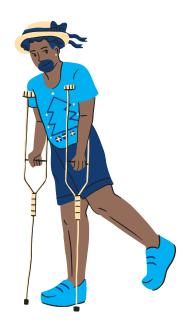
- temporarily;
- partially;
- totally.

Not all people with motor disabilities use a wheelchair











Intellectual disabilities

People with intellectual disabilities have difficulty with their sense of time and space

Intellectual disabilities include difficulties:

in understanding

in communicating

in decision-making

Hearing disabilities

People with hearing disabilities are deaf or hard of hearing

They find it difficult to decipher conversations and audio messages.

Deafness can be congenital or acquired. Not all deaf people use the same sign language.

Someone who is hard of hearing is not completely deaf. They use devices such as hearing aids and magnetic induction loops.

Visual disabilities

People with visual disabilities are blind or visually impaired

A blind person has no sight at all. They use other senses to apprehend space. Not all blind people can read Braille.

A visually impaired person's perception of the environment depends on their type of impairment (blurred vision, tunnel vision).

Their perception of space is influenced by:

- lighting
- clutter
- obstacle contrast
- contours

Legislative framework: certification and quality label

Tourism and Disability quality label

This quality label is awarded to organisations that cater to the needs of tourists with:

hearing disabilities



motor disabilities



intellectual



visual disabilities



Tourism and Disability quality label



Certified businesses comply with a number of criteria in terms of accessibility and special arrangements

The label is a guarantee of credibility for tourists with disabilities

Note that many non-certified tourism businesses already cater for people with disabilities. Guests expect accessible amenities for example. You don't have to wait for certification to talk about accessibility!

Handiplage certification

This tells people with disabilities about accessibility to beaches and beach amenities:

- nearby parking
- access: on foot, via ramp, hard ground
- equipment: beach access mat, beach chair, all-terrain beach wheelchair
- sanitary facilities
- audio systems for people with visual disabilities

Handiplage certification



An association that caters for people with disabilities, Handiplage trains:

Handiplagists

Handiplage attendants help people with disabilities enjoy the beach safely.

NB: the Handiplage label is an inclusive tourism feature for beach resorts like Côtes d'Armor. Plage de la Banche in Binic-Etables sur Mer has Handiplage certification. Why not follow their example?

Providing a base to ensure your visibility

• Guarantee of credibility for tourists with disabilities

Gain visibility at <u>tourisme-handicap.gouv.fr</u>
 <u>handiplage.fr</u>

You have certification

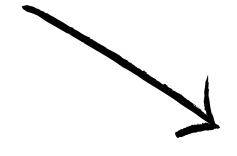
You don't have certification

• The criteria are too restrictive for your structure, you don't have the budget, etc.

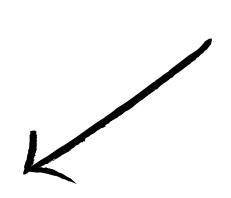
For example, regulations on protected structures can be incompatible with certification criteria

• Even so, you cater for everyone

For example by offering tailored tours and innovative tools. In short, by adapting to your visitors' requirements!



Communicating on your own media



Let them know!

Communication

2 types of communication media



Offline content

- Brochure
- Flyer
- Poster
- Signage



Online content

- Website
- Newsletter
- Social media

Offline content

Easy-to-read offline content



Easy-to-read approach

Making written information easier to understand.

Information is easy to read and understand.

Suitable for:

- people with intellectual disabilities;
- people with visual impairment;
- people with dyslexia;
- · children.

Making written information accessible to all

Easy-to-read offline content

Make your offline content easy to read

Write short sentences

Use everyday vocabulary

Provide pictures (photos, pictograms)

Simplify layout

Repeat important information

Focus on the essential

Learn how to write easy-to-read

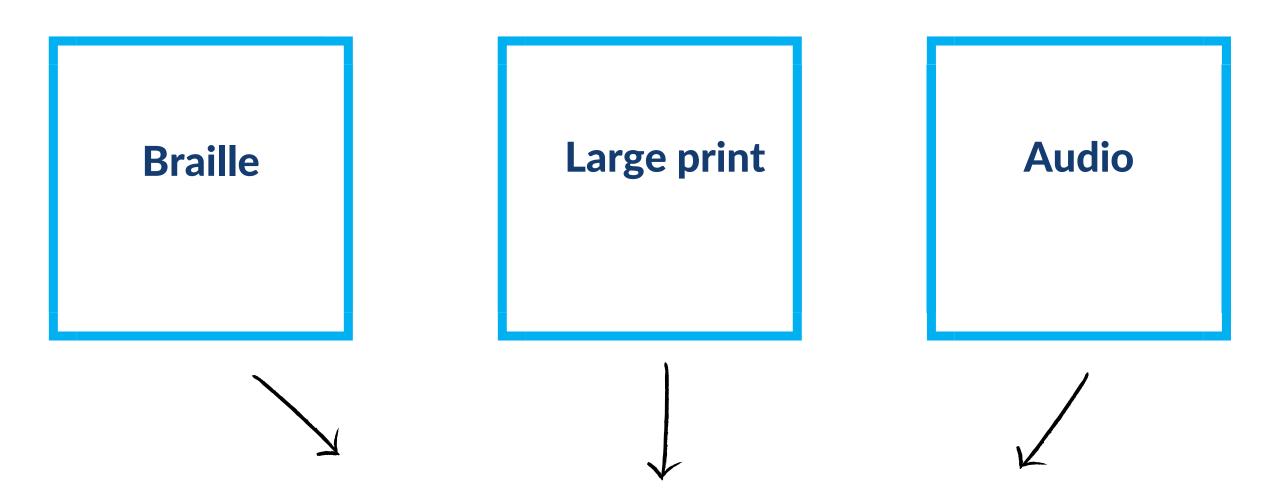
Contact Unapei



Unapei is the leading French federation of advocacy associations for people with disabilities and their families

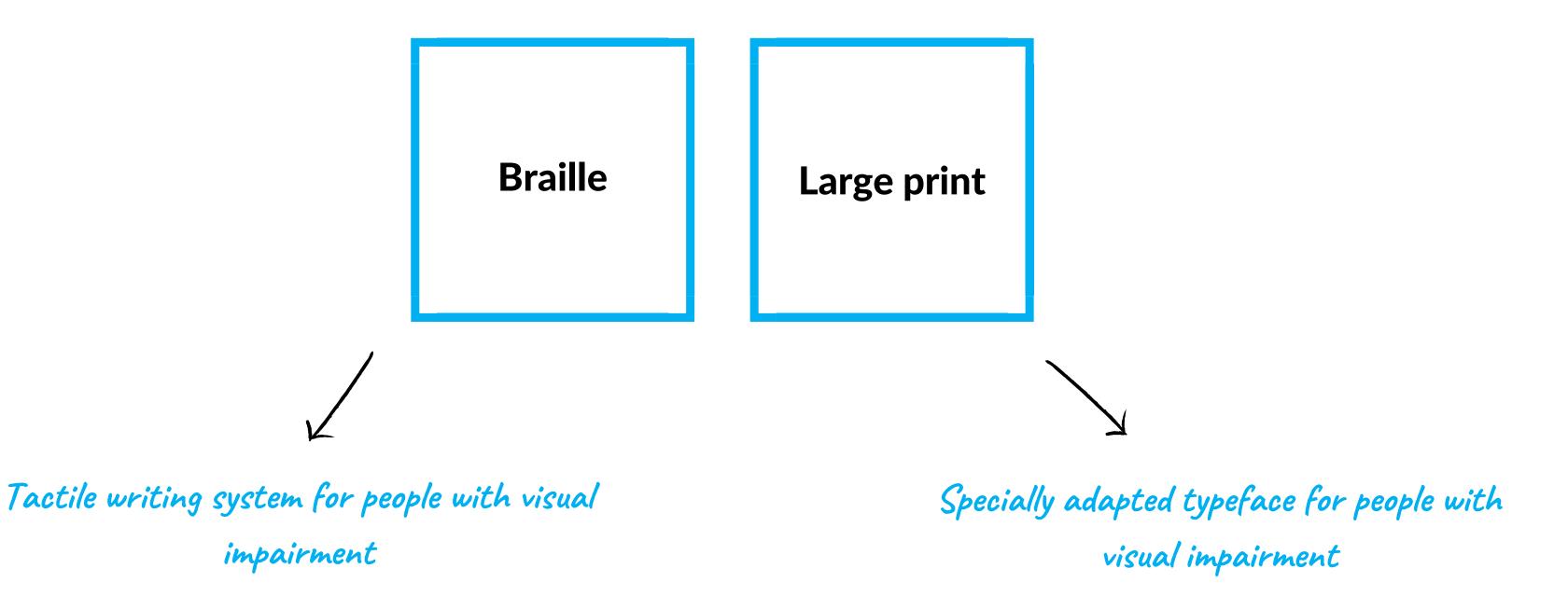
It has the quality mark for training in the easy-to-read method

Braille, large print and audio



For your presentation brochures, travel guides, walking and cycling trails

Braille and large print



Luciole: a special font for visual impairment

A font specifically designed for people with visual impairment



Un caractère pour la déficience visuelle

The font is based on several criteria.

Goal?

Improve the reading experience for people with visual impairment

For further information:



luciole-vision.com

Contact the association HandiCapZéro

HandiCaPZéro can help you write inclusive content



Helps people with visual impairment achieve autonomy in daily life

Partners with businesses and local authorities

Your target: people with intellectual disabilities and/or

People with intellectual disabilities



Easy-to-read content

People with visual **impairment** Easy-to-read content Content in Braille Content in large print

Audio content

Online content

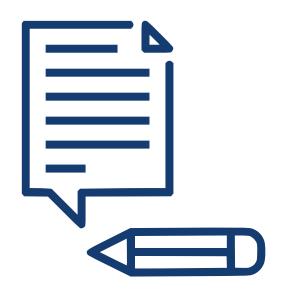
Website

Making information accessible to all



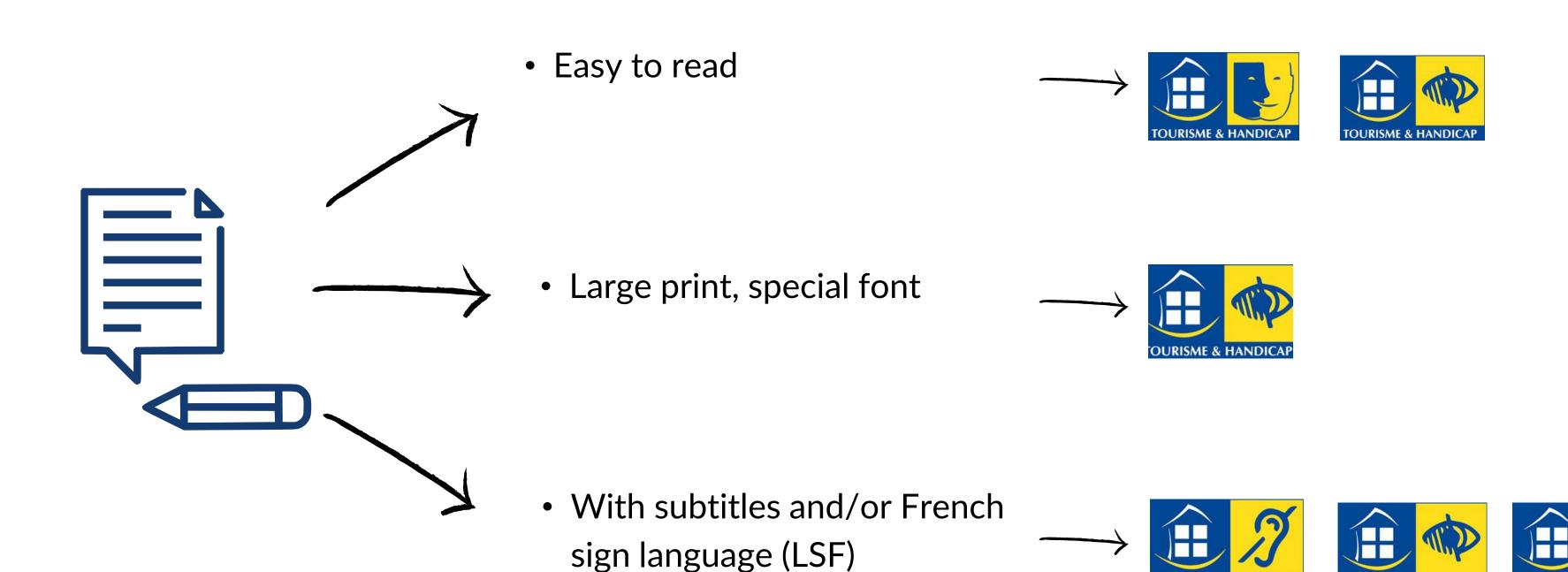
By making your content accessible and easy to read



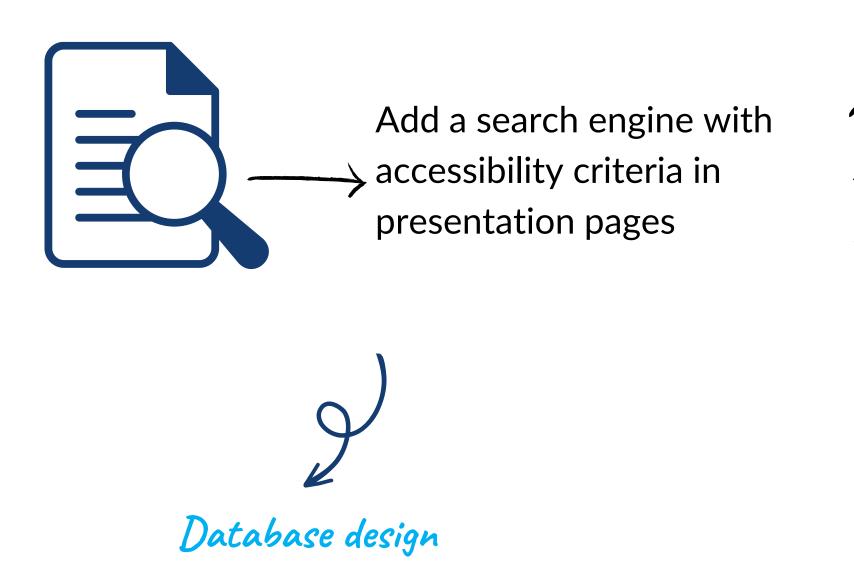




Website content



Website searches





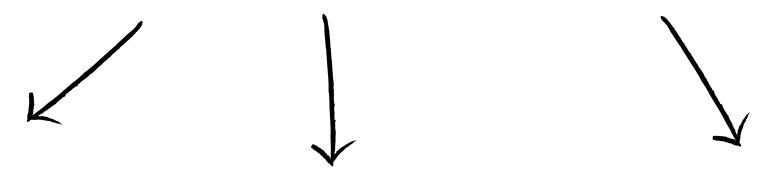
 Accessibility for spontaneous enquiries/walk-ins

By type of initiative

- Accessible for people with reduced mobility
- Guided tour in French sign language
- Easy-to-read signage
- Easy-to-read documentation, in Braille
- Magnetic induction loop
- Audio system
- Handiplage certification

Your newsletters

Talk about about new initiatives in newsletters



Obtain Tourism & Disability certification

Set up tools and action plans to improve accessibility

Guest review

Your social media

Talk about your initiatives on social media as well













Adapt the following to each network:



Your content

Video, carousel, Conventional post

Your message

Reassuring, informal, relaxed



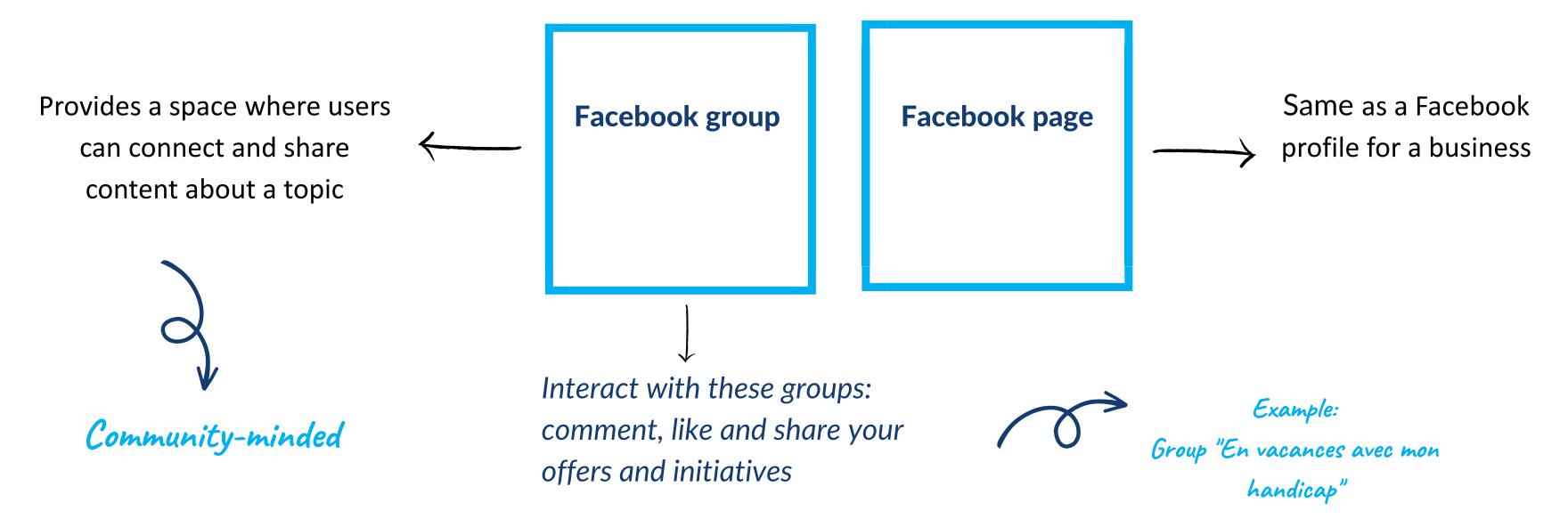
User profile according to social

media

Focus on Facebook

Follow dedicated disability groups

A Facebook group is not the same as a Facebook page



Marketing

Specialist agencies and platforms

Agencies

Specially tailored disability all-inclusive packages: transport, accommodation, outings and tours

Platforms



Accommodation booking platforms specially tailored for people with disabilities



Channels for marketing your offers





- access-tourisme.com
- Specialises in all four types of disability
- Caters for individuals and groups
- Tailored packages
- Long-standing expertise: set up in 1986. Founder Dominique Dupuis is a wheelchair user A travel lover himself, Dominique creates tailored packages



- adaptours.fr
- Specialises in motor disabilities
- Caters for individuals
- Tailored packages



- adaptravel.com
- Specialises in all four types of disability
- Caters for individuals
- Tailored packages
- Unusual, off the beaten track



- behandi.fr
- Specialises in all four types of disability
- Caters for individuals and groups
- Tailored packages



- evadetnous.com
- Specialises in intellectual disabilities
- Caters for individuals
- Tailored packages
- On-the-ground experience: founders work in a residential care home for people with intellectual disabilities



- mobeetravel.com
- Specialises in intellectual and motor disabilities
- Caters for individuals and groups
- Customer service 7 days a week



- sejours-adaptes.com
- Specialises in intellectual disabilities
- Caters for adult groups
- Package tours



- travelhand.fr
- Specialises in all four types of disability
- Launched in 2023



- yoola-voyages.com
- Specialises in all four types of disability
- Caters for individuals and groups
- Tailored packages

Platforms



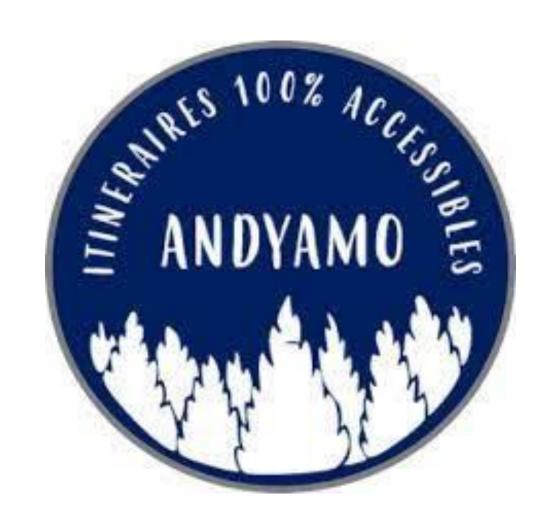
- toolib.fr
- accommodation booking platform catering for people with reduced mobility



- handicasa.fr
- accommodation booking platform catering for people with disabilities (all types of disability)

Innovative tools

Innovation in inclusive tourism



Andyamo is a **route planner** for people with reduced mobility

Provides GPS-based data on:

- accessibility (height of footpath, slopes, etc.)
- safety (intersections with cycling tracks, reduced mobility bollards)
- comfort (comfortable seating, surface condition, etc.)



Adapted for tourist information centres

Innovation in inclusive tourism



Objective: facilitate people with visual impairment with their mobility

Virtuoz, the first tactile map, helps the visually impaired understand their environment and move about autonomously



Tool adapted to tourist information centres

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