# Towards common European criteria on accessibility of the built environment: Outcomes of Mandate M/420

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## **USER'S PERSPECTIVE**

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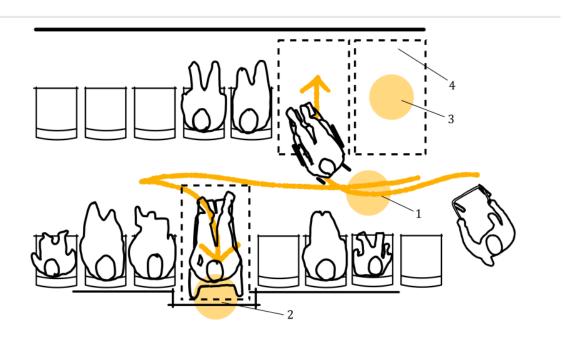
## **As Architects**

#### We welcome:

- The publication of EN17210 Accessibility and usability of the built environment & the associated technical reports
- The harmonisation of a European approach
- The importance of a common understanding
- The rationale for the functional standards
- The clear distinction between requirements and recommendations



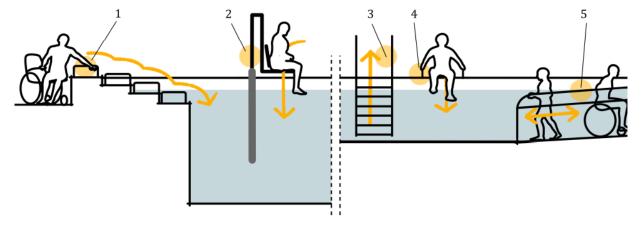
## Illustrations



#### Key

- 1 accessible route with manoeuvring area
- 2 seat row with recessed space for persons using wheeled mobility devices
- 3 spaces aligned with other seating
- 4 additional legroom at front of space for wheelchair users

Figure 96 — Spaces for persons using wheeled mobility devices in a general seating layout



#### Key

- 1 access steps
- 2 pool lift
- 3 access stair
- 4 transfer wall
- 5 ramp

Figure 145 — Examples of different types of pool access

# Simple clear illustrations serve as effective reminders



# **Education & Training**

### The need for education and training:

- At professional & undergraduate level
- Across all built environment sectors
- Both general and accredited training
- Access Advisors & Consultants



# **Future Developments**

#### The importance of:

- Research to support requirements & recommendations
- Access to standards
- Using the standard and technical reports when updating national standards & regulations



# Facilitating use of EN 17210

An electronic toolkit to enable easy access to and comprehension of the standard to include:

- The EN requirements and recommendations
- Technical Details
- National Standards Functional and technical
- National Building Regulations Functional & technical
- Conformity Assessment



# Thank you!

# To the Project Team

#### To the national mirror committees

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