

LETTER OF REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK

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TITLE: Pre-publication draft of DVB Bluebook A185 (Accessibility Implementation Guidelines)

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Dear Samao Campos,

The DVB TM-I Accessibility Task Force is updating the Accessibility Implementation Guidelines (DVB BlueBook A185). A draft of the revised document is publicly available here: https://dvb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/A185r1-draft_Accessibility-Implementations-Guidelines_Sept-2025.pdf.

This update aims to help implementers understand the purposes and usage requirements of accessibility features for streams of audiovisual media. While the primary intention is to explain how these features can be provided and signalled using DVB technologies, the general descriptions are also relevant in a broader context. The audience for the document includes content providers, platform providers and manufacturers of devices and players.

We would very much appreciate your feedback on the following points:

- Are the general descriptions of the accessibility features useful to you? Do they align with your understanding, and do you have suggestions for improvement?
- Would you be interested in collaborating on the development of a global reference set of accessibility features for media streams?
- If you are working with DVB standards: is the information on signalling clear and sufficient?
- Are there barriers to access that are not addressed by the accessibility features listed in the document?



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We kindly ask you to share any comments or considerations from your organisation or your members by the end of November 2025. We are still interested in your feedback after the end of November and will do our best to take comments into account for our next release, however we may only be able to address it in a future release. Our goal is to finalise the BlueBook update for publication in time for DVB world 2026 (<https://dvbworld.org/>). Please send your feedback to dvb@dvb.org.

Thank you in advance for your valuable input.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,
Andreas Tai, Chair DVB TM-I Task Force Accessibility