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Partnership for Accessible Europe

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What is the Zero Project?

- An initiative of the Essl Foundation
- Mission: "For a World without Barriers"
- Identify and promote Innovative Practices and Innovative Policies covering:
 - Accessibility
 - Education
 - Employment
 - Independent Living and Political Participation
- Applying "crowd intelligence" by using a network of over 5.000 experts with and without disabilities from more than 180 countries, across all sectors

What does the Zero Project do?

- Find and promote innovations
- Connect innovators
- Offer a platform for exchange
- Offer free research through the Zero Project report, website, social media
- Organize the annual Zero Project Conference
- Zero Project-Impact Transfer to accelerate projects by social entrepreneurs



Employme

Work and Vocational Education & Tra

56 Innovative Practices, 11 Innovative Policies,

International study on the implementation of the UN Convention

and 21 Social Indicators from 121 countries





68 Innovative Practices, 15 Innovative Policies, and 22 Social Indicators from 105 countries

International study on the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities – "For a World without Barriers"



Creating newpartnerships

- Ecosystem of innovators in ICT
- Incentives for innovators
- Incentives for partners



What is the Zero Project network?

- Loose, informal, but active cooperation with a common goal: sharing and learning about innovations that support the implementation of the UN CRPD, and increasingly the SDGs
- Members are supranational organisations like UN DESA and the EU, international organizations like ILO, G3ict, and EASPD; NGOs like Access Israel and Light for the World, Universities, Foundations, Self-representatives, public administrations etc.
- Zero Project Ambassadors, Zero Project Partners as network-hubs
- Unique resource, hub, ecosystem, personal meeting point etc.

What the Zero Project network offers

What do we want?

- Nominations, encouragements
- Expertise during evaluation and voting
- Zero Project Conference participation
- Invitations to their conferences etc.

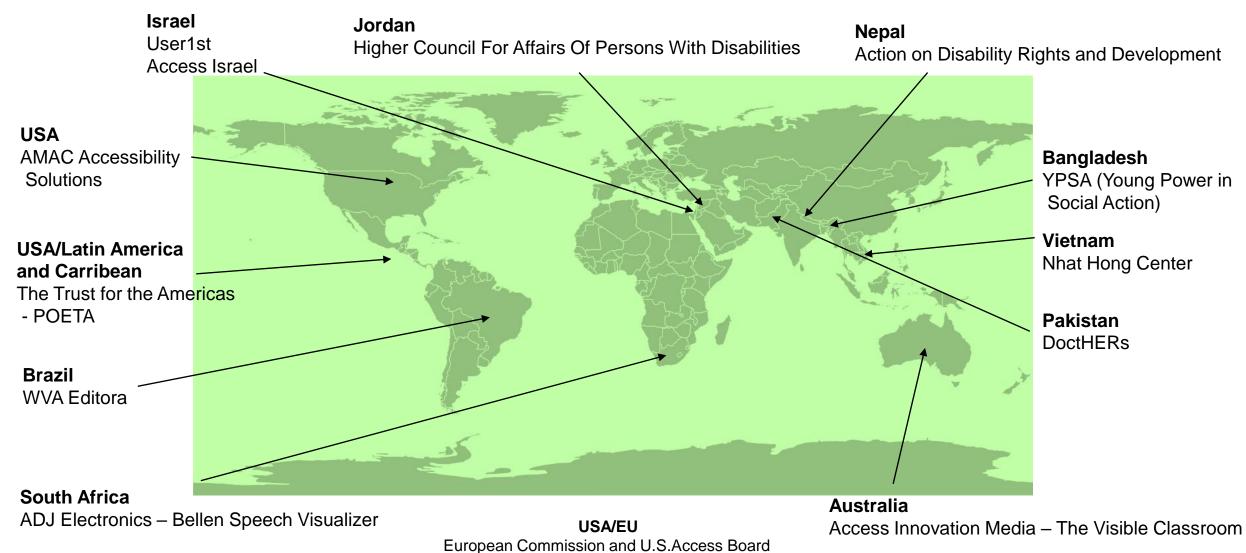
What do we offer?

- Free access to our research database
- Opportunities to connect personally or virtually
- Opportunities to promote innovations, research etc.
- Being part of a meaningful community

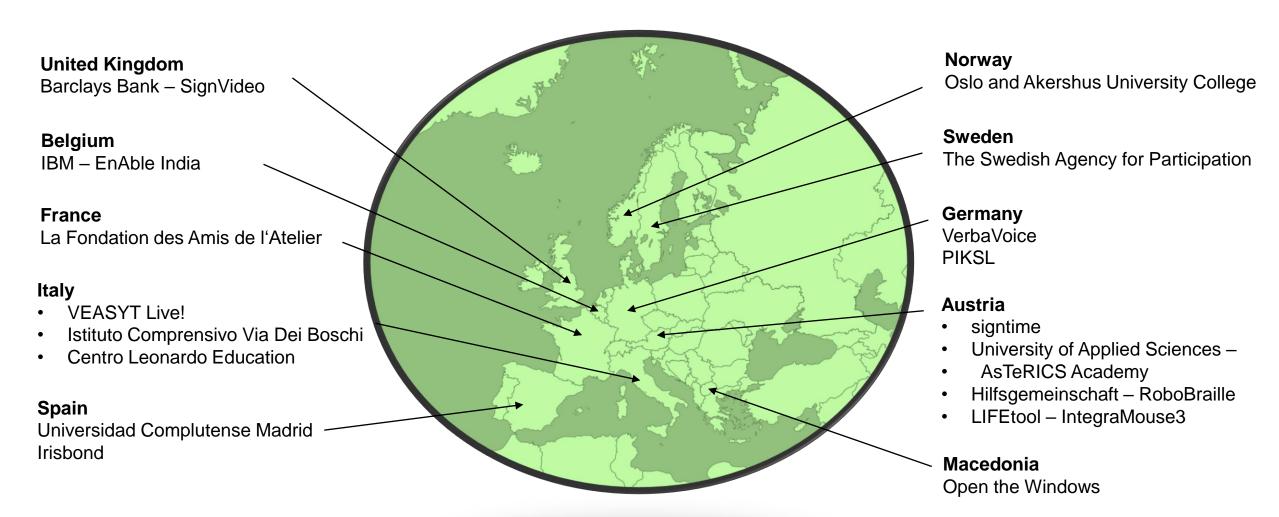
Partnership for an Accessible Europe

- Focus on ICT related innovations, annual Call for Nominations of the Zero Project
- Creating a community of innovators jointly with ITU and other partners, with ITU-D in the lead: Conferences and other coordinated activities
- Offering unique opportunities for innovators, partners and all other parties
- Zero Project Digital Transformation will offer new opportunities for research and partnerships

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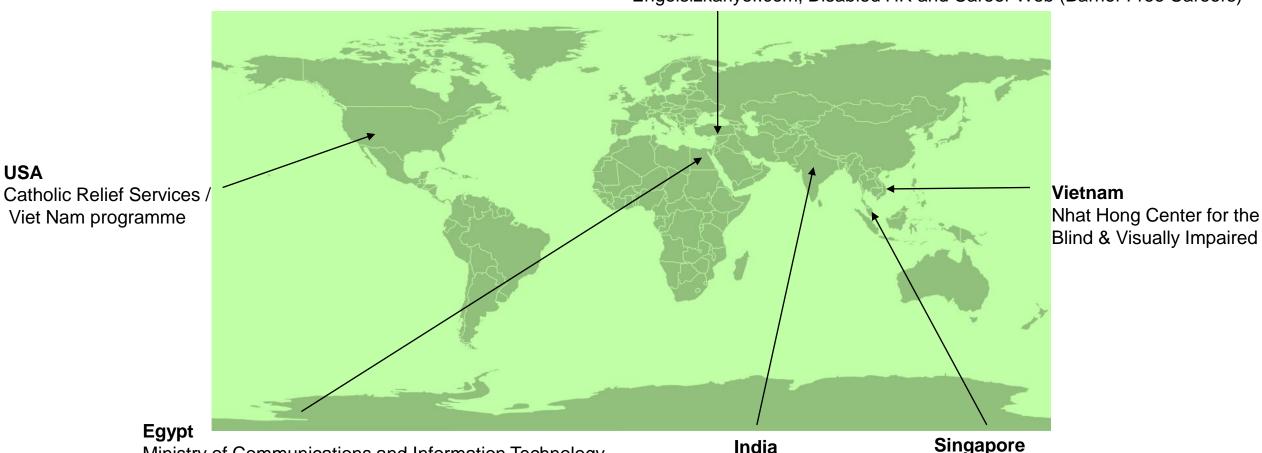
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Zero Project Awardees 2017 on employment worldwide, with a focus on ICT

Turkey

Engelsizkariyer.com, Disabled HR and Career Web (Barrier Free Careers)



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USA

Viet Nam programme

Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Misr El Kheir Foundation, Chamber of Economics

India Wipro, Ltd.

Genashtim Innovative Learning Pte Ltd

Zero Project Awardees 2018 on accessibility worldwide, with a focus on ICT

Canada Morocco WBU and World Intellectual Property Organization – Marrakesh Treaty Institute for Disabilities Research and Training – All Children Reading Turkey Young Guru Academy – My Dream Companion **USA** Gallaudet University – VL2 Storybook Creator AMAC – ICT Accessibility MOOC Education for All Japan Department of State - global Video Captioning Program Mirairo Inc. – Bmaps app **AXS Map** PADM – WheeLog! Poses Family Foundation - Understood.org Microsoft Inc. – Office 365 Colombia China Ministry of Information and Communications Technology The Asian SignBank of Colombia – Cinema for Everyone FENASCOL - "Centro de Relevo": (Relay Service)" India Enable India - Namma Vaani Israel **United Arab Emirates** BarrierBreak - Newz Hook Gala Prompter – GalaPro App Government of the Emirate of Dubai -Migdal Or Universal Accessibility Strategic Plan 2017-2020 AlManarah library

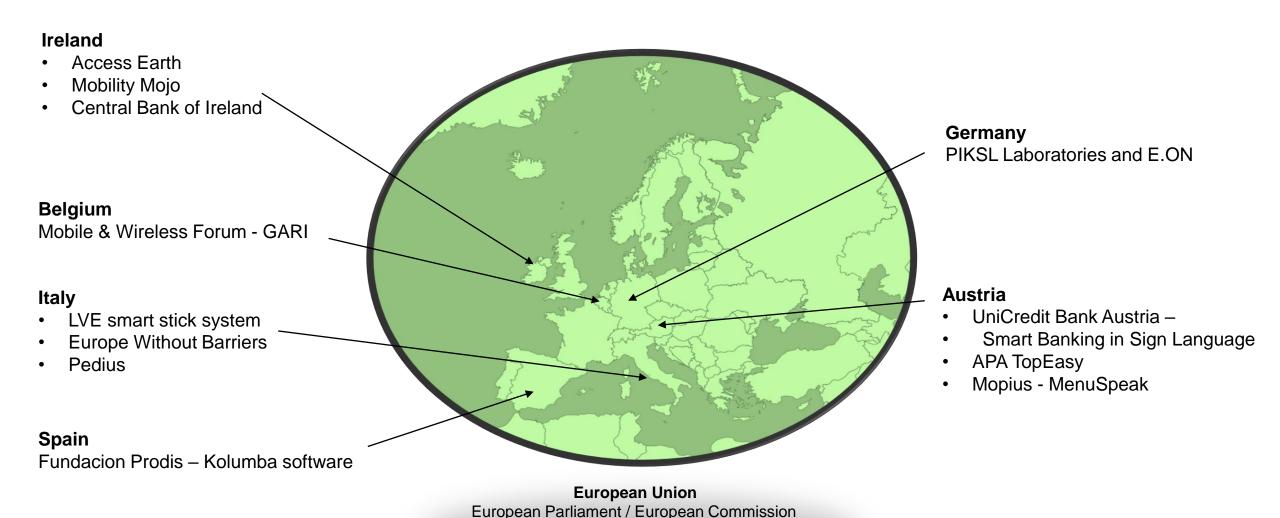
United States – European Union

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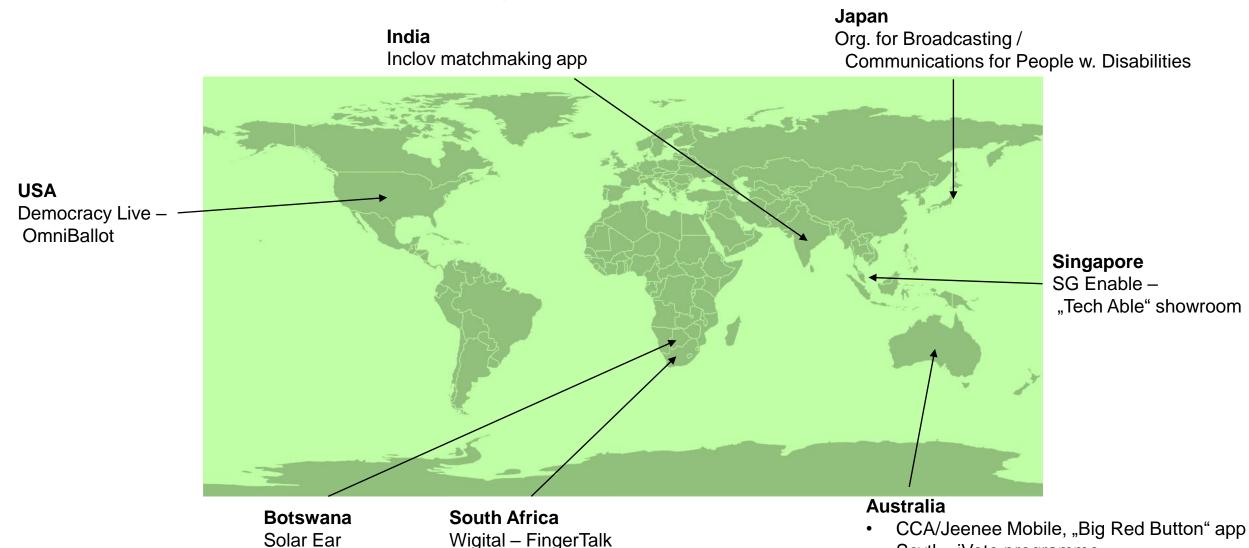
European Union / U.S. Access Board & European Commission

GlobalInternational Telecommunication Union

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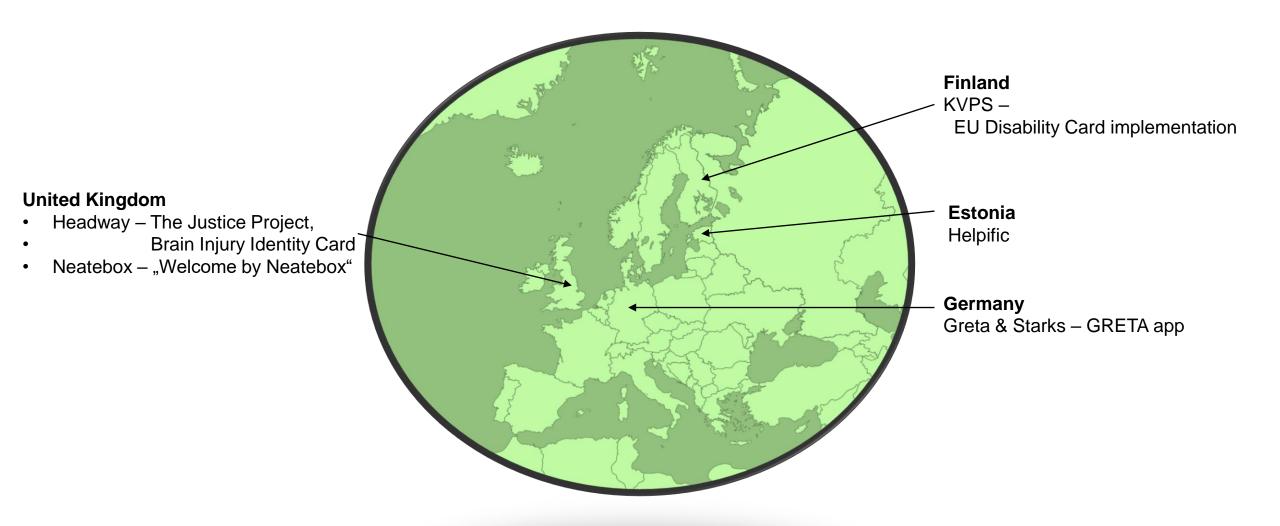


Zero Project Awardees 2019 on Independent Living worldwide, with a focus on ICT



Scytl – iVote programme

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Thank you

