

# Visa pour le net -> Passport to the web

## A project and a Website : Introduction

I'm here to represent a Project led by many people.

Some of them wanted to be with us today.

So they prepared a short video.

Visa pour le net is a project

that works on a participatory method.

Each member works with the others on an equal basis,

giving the project as much as they can

according to their desires, needs and personal rhythms.

Visa pour le net is an adventure that started 10 years ago

that I'm looking forward to presenting.



On our website, we present information like this :

A part of this presentation is a translation of a text of the website.





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An open book interface. The left page is a light blue rounded rectangle containing a table of contents. At the top left of the page is a list icon, and at the top right is a red circle with a white 'X'. The right page is blank. The book has a grey spine and cover.

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# 1. What is Visa pour le net ?



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Accessible information  
on Internet

## 1. What is Visa pour le net ?

Visa pour le net is a project that wants to allow access to the Internet and important information to all, including persons with understanding problems. We do that through different actions.

An easy to read website has been developed since 2011 by  
\* adults in difficulty of understanding  
\* and professionals.

[www.visapourlenet.be](http://www.visapourlenet.be)



## 2. The project history



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Internet must be accessible for everyone



### 2. The history of the project

Today,  
almost everybody  
goes on the Internet.

Internet allows many things.

It is convenient but sometimes also very difficult to use and understand for people with understanding problems such as people with mental disability but also for the others.



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Visa, an accessible Website  
for adults



In 2007, in Belgium,  
many people with a mental disability  
asked their social workers  
to go on the Internet,  
"like others."  
But they found it  
too difficult to use and understand.

So came the idea of creating a website  
easy to use and understand  
with them and for them :  
the Visa pour le net website.



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Visa pour le net is easy to use,  
to read and to understand



By doing this we realized that the Visa's Website was also interesting for many other people like :

- people who start with computer and the Internet,
- people who can't read easily,
- people living with an autism
- or dyslexia problems
- or even people who prefer to read simplified information.



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Why and how ?



# Make your information accessible!

European standards for making information  
easy to read and to understand

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## Make your information accessible!

Having information is important for people with intellectual disabilities.

- To learn new things.
- To take part in society.
- To know their rights and stand up for them.
- To decide and make their own choices.

People with intellectual disabilities have the right to get information that is easy to read and understand.

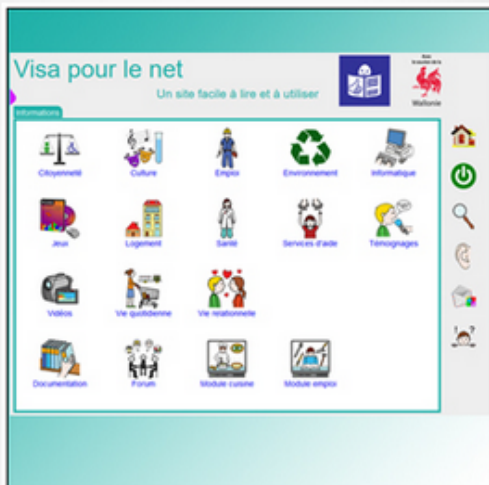
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Useful information for adults

## 3. The website

On the website,  
we choose to talk about  
convenient and important information  
for adult life.

So there are :

- information  
(texts, videos, images, sounds, ...),
- tools (cooking recipes, a job  
module) -> coming "soon",
- means of communication,
- testimonials,...



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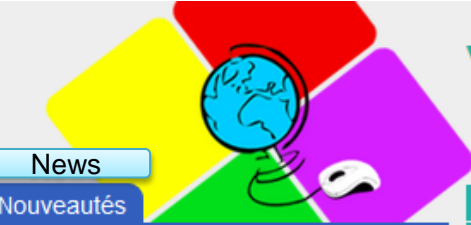
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## Visa pour le net

Un site facile à lire et à utiliser  
A Website easy to read and understand




















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Nouveautés

19 janvier 2017  
[Formation permis théorique](#)  
Driver license training

16 décembre 2016  
[Formations accessibles](#)  
Adapted trainings

7 décembre 2016  
Outil : [C'est ma vie, je la choisis!](#)  
A website to build my life projects  
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 Informatique Computer science	 Logement Housing	 Loisirs Hobbies	 Santé Health	 Services d'aide Help services
 Témoignages Testimonials	 Transports Transportations	 Vie quotidienne Everyday life	 Vie relationnelle Relational life	
 Documentation Documents	 Forum Forum	 Module cuisine Cooking recipes		





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Texts and handouts  
are also printable



Thanks to the Visa website,  
anyone has the opportunity  
to learn things such as :

- "The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities"
  - "Safe on the Internet"
  - "10 tips to eat well"
  - "Voting and elections"
  - "How to save money"
  - "Relational, affective and sexual life"
- and many others ...



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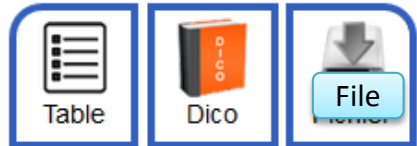
Register as a member is free



All associations  
who create accessible contents  
can share it on Visa pour le net.

Visa is not “our personal Website”.  
But it must be “co built” by all.

The Visa website is free.  
Registration as a member  
allows you to have  
more tools and contents.



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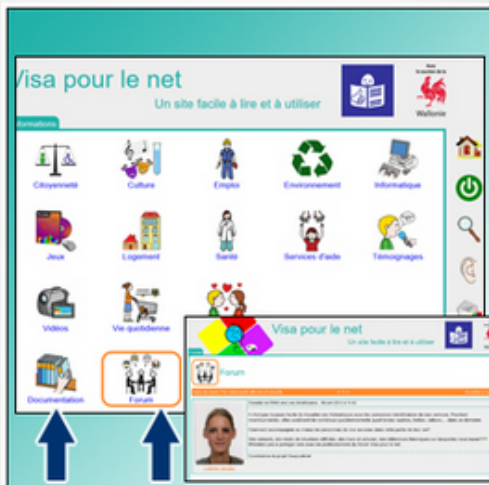
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Discover our Forum and Documents sections to share tips



On the Visa website, there are also 2 sections allowing professionals, parents and everyone to exchange precious information.

So on “Documents” you can download or drop files. And on the “Forum” you can leave

- tools,
- advices,
- counseling,
- or good links to share.



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You can express yourself and testify



People who have a mental disability can give their opinions and share their knowledge by means of videos and testimonials, ...

They have the opportunity to change the representations and stereotypes on their disability and to show their abilities.



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## 4. The Visa pour le net project is also ...



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In addition to the site,  
we do a lot of other things



### 4. The Visa project is also

In addition to the website  
we also do  
many other things  
in the project.

Here are some examples:



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We help municipalities to make themselves accessible

1) We assist municipalities to make their websites and information easy to use, read and understand for all their citizens.

E.g. the city of Andenne, Hannut, ...



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Accompagner des Musées à se rendre accessibles aux personnes en difficulté de compréhension &/ou d'alphabétisme.

**Visite du musée IANCHELEVICI**  
Découverte en textes et en images.

**Livret Facile A Lire & à Comprendre**

We help museums to make themselves accessible



2) We help some museums to make themselves accessible for all their visitors.

Ex: "Museum Ianchelevici",  
Museum "du Cinquenaire"  
And Museum of Comblain-au-Pont.





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We help to make accessible tools



3) We help projects of non-profit associations to make the tools they created accessible to all.

Ex: "Forem Huy Waremmé", tool: "I've finished school, my career path".



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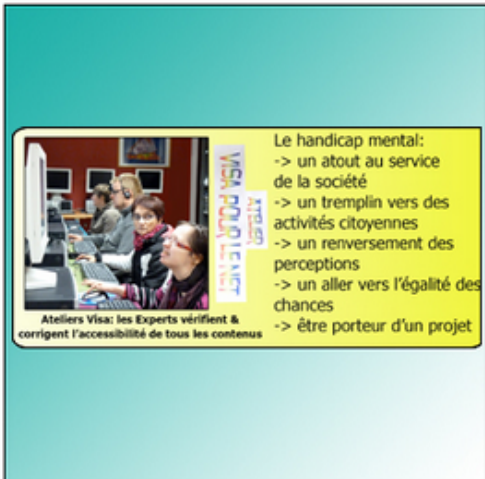
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Even with an mental disability you can be a part of a big project



- 4) We allow persons who have a mental disability
- to engage themselves in Visa workshops,
  - to participate actively in this project,
  - its promotion,
  - and partnerships meetings.



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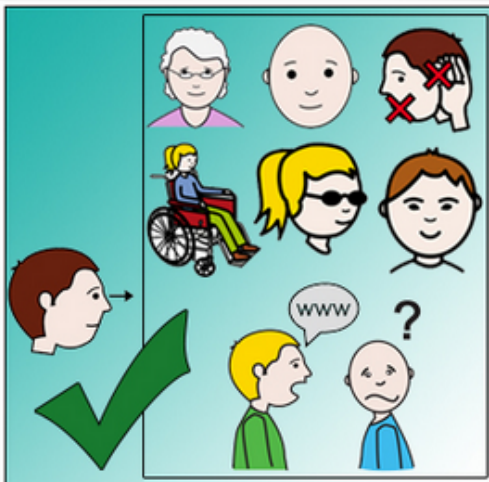
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We show positive images of people with disabilities



5) We are taking actions to change the way people look at mental disability by showing what they are capable of doing, **with and thanks to** their disability.



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## 5. Partnerships

Each new content developed for the Website is the result of a close collaboration between:

- \* the project's workers,
- \* the project's Experts,
- \* the professionals of our non-profit association (Inter-Actions asbl, Hannut),
- \* and professionals specialized in the field covered by the themes developed.

Sources of information and authors are notified at the end of each text.



The main partners are presented in the « Partners » section of the Website.



I will now focus on the actions we have taken which are in line with the values defended by Equinet such as :

Equality bodies

Giving people access and information to their rights  
Giving them the opportunity to defend themselves  
Fighting stereotypes and discrimination.

In order to do that, we use all tools available on the website such as :






- The Forum,
  - The “News” section,
  - The creation of new texts in easy-to-read with images and sound,
  - The “documents” section,
- but also our Facebook page.

We also defend these values

during every promotion action we made such as :

- presenting the project in seminars,
- institutions,
- or even in front of Belgian politicians.

Here are some examples of specific actions we made in order to do that :

- Relay the UNIA information campaign (Unia is a member of Equinet). 
- Translate the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities into easy-to-read and understand. 
- Explain in easy-to-read how and why vote and the Belgian political system. 
- Broadcast videos of people with mental disabilities: 
  - \* Giving their opinion on the UN Convention
  - \* Talking about their activities and abilities
- Present the projects supporting the participatory method. 
- ...

## 6. Impacts and outcomes

After a difficult start,  
this project is just beginning to be known.

And yet, we live in a very small country.

In Belgium, in the field of disability, lots of very interesting things are created.  
Unfortunately, the information circulates poorly.

Visa for the net wants to become the website that inventory all these initiatives :

-> to facilitate the flow of information,

-> to facilitate and optimize the work of professionals,

by gathering useful tools for their practices,

-> but also, so that the people directly concerned can gain autonomy.

It was a time when to make us know we had to :

- Invite ourselves at conferences and seminars,
- Post hundreds of letters in all mailboxes,
- Putting up posters,
- Flood the Facebook network of ads,
- ...

But today, for about a year, the requests come to us effortlessly :

- Requests for presentation of our project, or about our participatory method,
- Requests from professionals asking the development of new content, ...
- Requests from parents,
  - Request to share the management of a 3 days show about the VRAS of people with mental disabilities (Aviq);
  - A request from authors wishing to change the view of disability,

But also proposals for helping (from professionals, parents) to put new content on Visa (e.g. cooking recipes).

Now, some people publish articles about us (before we had to beg for it).

We also learned that our site has interest for audiences that were not expected, or in contexts that were not imagined ...

As a result, we are receiving more and more requests, but unfortunately we are often unable to support them given all the projects in which we are already engaged, and the fact that the working time and the grants remain largely insufficient for a good operating efficiency.





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- giving us ideas to improve,
- registering as a member of the website,
- becoming our Facebook's friend on "Visapourlenet Interactions" :

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# Thanks a lot for your attention



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Qu'avez-vous pensé de ce texte ?

What did you think of this text

Nom

Email

Votre avis sur ce texte

Form fields for Name, Email, and a large text area for the opinion.

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# Let's talk together

Do you have some questions about the presentation ?

-> Do you know if tools like “visa pour le net” are developed in your countries ?

Do you have examples of good practices to support equality

... Or fight against stereotypes and discriminations ?

-> In your communications, what do you do to reach persons with intellectual disabilities ?

What are the difficulty you encounter doing that ?

-> What kind of tools do you need / must be created / to help equality bodies ?

-> Do you think Visa pour le net is useful? Why ?

-> Do you have ideas to improve it ?