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## **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Wow – when we first started working on this edition it just seemed like we had a few items to report. Now we find it's busting at the seams with reports from across the globe. Once again we are briefly mentioning some non-English publications as wonderful work is being done around the world; we don't want our reporting to be limited by our own language limitations.

Hopefully you or someone you know was able to attend or will be attending such conferences as the Libyan Conference on Accessibility and Inclusive Tourism, Universal Design Workshop (India), and The Sochi without Barriers Plan: Sochi 2014 Olympics (Russia).

The amount of new resources, whether publications, web-sites, videos or facilities is almost staggering and includes: Manual para superar la brecha digital de personas con discapacidad (Argentina), Access Ability: A Practical Handbook on Accessible Graphic Design (Canada), Age Friendly Communities Launch of the Web-based Tool (Canada), Manual De Accesibilidad Universal Ciudad Accesible (Chile), eAccess+ (Europe), Inauguration of Michal Ozmin Design for All Archive and Research Centre (Europe), Portuguese Accessibility Guide, Turismo Acessível (Portugal), The Inclusive Destination (UK), Ireland's National Disability Authority Centre For Excellence in Universal Design, VisitEngland Presents New Booklet on How to Capture the £2 Billion Accessible Tourism Market in England, ADA Topics (US), Universal Design for Learning AA-AAS Evaluation Tool (US), Community-based Rehabilitation (CBR) (World), and ISO – Accessibility for all (World).

Excellence in universal design continues to be encouraged and rewarded as seen via these recent competitions: Australia National Disability Awards, Spanish city Avila awarded most accessible city in Europe, BCA Universal Design Awards (Singapore), Building for Life Awards, 2010 (UK), IDEAS Competition 2011 (US), IDSA – Design of the Decade (US), and Livable Communities Awards Winners (US).

New programs and initiatives continue to emerge -- EU Project to Improve the Daily Lives of Elderly and Disabled People and Independence Matters (UK).

We also found something thought-provoking with Calling a Spade a Shovel (Australia).

If you like a good video, please check out Julia Cassim and Inclusive Design.

As always, please check out the Calendar for upcoming events. Information from the Online News can still be freely copied and quoted as long as the individual author, and/or web site and this source is cited. Previous issues of the Online News are available online at the Global Universal Design Education Network website at: [www.universaldesign.net](http://www.universaldesign.net).

Also please note: Any Internet links mentioned in this newsletter were verified as functioning as of the publication date. Web sites and e-mail addresses, however, change frequently, so changes may have occurred after that date.

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## **NEWS FROM THE GLOBAL NETWORK**

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### **AFRICA**

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#### **Libyan Conference on Accessibility and Inclusive Tourism**

The Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments (GAATES) sponsored a conference on The Right to Access for Persons with Disabilities to the Built Environment and Transportation: Design for All which was held in

Benghazi, Libya on December 13-14, 2010.

GAATES is a nonprofit civil organization, headquartered in Canada, and works in coordination with the United Nations body to broadcast the concept of universal accessibility for everyone around the world, according to the UN Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities on the year 2007, and ratified by one hundred and fifty countries around the world.

GAATES has signed cooperative agreements with many Arab and Gulf States and a number of civil and governmental Arab and global associations and organizations, dealing with the universal design, to organize training courses and academic workshops to disseminate the concept of universal design for the benefit of persons with disabilities.

Read more about the conference at: <http://www.rollinggrains.com/2010/11/libyan-conference-on-accessibility-and-inclusive-tourism.html>

Checkout GAATES at: <http://www.gaates.org/>

GAATES will be following up the Libyan conference with others in Damascus and Kuwait.

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## ARGENTINA

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### **Manual para superar la brecha digital de personas con discapacidad**

La Asociación Civil CARE elaboró la publicación gratuita Accesibilidad TIC, que cuenta con herramientas para eliminar las barreras de acceso a la información y comunicación por parte de las personas con capacidades diferentes. Se trata de ayudas técnicas que facilitan el uso de equipos informáticos, Internet, y teléfonos móviles.

Courtesy of Scott Rains

Information, in Spanish, at: <http://www.canal-ar.com.ar/noticias/noticiamuestra.asp?id=9473>

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## AUSTRALIA

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### **Australia National Disability Awards**

The National Disability Awards are part of the Australian Government's celebration of International Day of People with Disability. These annual Awards celebrate and acknowledge the achievements and contributions that individuals with disability make to Australia, and recognize individuals within the community who have contributed to the disability sector.

Read more about the awards and winners at:

<http://www.idpwd.com.au/Awards/Pages/default.aspx>

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### **Calling a Spade a Shovel: Universal, accessible, adaptable, disabled – aren't they all the same?**

Jane Bringolf, PhD Candidate, Urban Research Centre, University of Western Sydney asks if we are creating a distinction without a difference in the “words” we use (via a presentation posted on Rolling Rains).

Experience the presentation at: <http://www.rollingrains.com/2010/12/green-aging-in-place-sustainable-ud.html>

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## CANADA

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### **Access Ability: A Practical Handbook on Accessible Graphic Design**

With the support of the Government of Ontario, Canada, the Association of Registered Graphic Designers of Ontario (RGD) has released this handbook on accessible graphic design. The handbook is a free resource for anyone interested in designing communications that are more accessible and inclusive. It covers print, web and environmental design, offering ideas on how to do better design. Rather than presenting a prescribed set of rules, it discusses what factors to consider, what questions to ask, and where to find more information.



Access the handbook (PDF) at: <http://jump.dexigner.com/news/21926>

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### **Age Friendly Communities Launch of the Web-based Tool**

This new age friendly communities web-site provides tools and resources that will help guide communities toward developing solutions to become more age friendly – in a way that best suits each community's unique needs.

Checkout the web-site at: <http://afc.uwaterloo.ca/>

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## CHILE

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### **Manual De Accesibilidad Universal Ciudad Accesible**

Courtesy of Scott Rains

Access information, in Spanish, about the manual at:  
<http://www.plataformaarquitectura.cl/2010/12/03/manual-de-accesibilidad-universal-ciudad-accesible/>

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## EUROPE

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### **eAccess+**

eAccess+ aims at establishing and systematically developing a cooperative platform for coordinating, supporting and improving the implementation of eAccessibility throughout Europe.

Read more at: <http://www.eaccessplus.eu/>

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### **EU Project to Improve the Daily Lives of Elderly and Disabled People**

I2HOME is a EU funded research project on the use of digital technology to improve the daily lives of elderly and disabled people and help them live more independently. This project, which has been developed by researchers from Germany, Spain, Portugal, Sweden and the Czech Republic, enables to manage the various electronic devices in our home using our mobile phone, computer or another personalized remote control interface.

Blind people, people with cognitive impairments, Alzheimer patients and the elderly can, for example, switch on and program washing machines, lighting, heating, air conditioning, TVs, DVD players/recorders and other household devices for a distance. I2HOME has been tested in day-care centers and home settings in four pilot sites in the Czech Republic, Germany, Spain and Sweden and more than 100 organizations and companies in Europe already use or work with I2HOME technology.

More info in the project website at: <http://www.i2home.org/>  
[news items courtesy of CoverAGE, [http://www.age-platform.eu/images/stories/EN/CoverAGE/EN/coverage\\_jan11.pdf](http://www.age-platform.eu/images/stories/EN/CoverAGE/EN/coverage_jan11.pdf)]

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### **Inauguration of Michal Ozmin Design for All Archive and Research Centre**

EIDD Design for All Europe inaugurated the Michal Ozmin Design for All Archive and Research Centre, hosted in the Silesian Castle of Art and Enterprise in Cieszyn, right on Poland's southern border with the Czech Republic and only a few kilometres away from Slovakia.

As the name implies, the Michal Ozmin Design for All Archive and Research Centre comprises two elements. The first is an archive, whose aim is to collect and collate an extensive collection of material, both historical and current, to constitute the essential central knowledge resource that has always been sorely missing in our efforts. The second is a functioning research centre, whose purpose is to make the archive material available for research students wishing to prepare PhD theses and/or develop on particular aspects of Design for All.

Editor's Note: We are sad to report that soon after the center was inaugurated, Michal Ozmin died in Warsaw (23 January 2011).

Read more about the Centre at:

[http://www.icograda.org/news/year/2010\\_news/articles2028.htm](http://www.icograda.org/news/year/2010_news/articles2028.htm)

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EIDD - Design for All Europe is a European network, founded in Dublin, Ireland in 1993 with the name of European Institute for Design and Disability. The original aim of the network, to use design to achieve the inclusion of disabled people in society in European countries, has since been reinforced with inclusion of a more mainstream approach, enhancing the quality of life through Design for All. [www.designforalleurope.org](http://www.designforalleurope.org)



### **Spanish city Avila awarded most accessible city in Europe**

The first European award for improving access for people with disabilities, the Access City Award 2011, was granted to the Spanish city Avila, at a ceremony in Brussels on the occasion of the European Day of People with Disabilities on 3 December. Since 2002, Ávila has developed a plan to improve accessibility to public buildings and to give incentives for private initiatives. It has also developed

accessible tourism facilities and improved job opportunities for people with disabilities.

The Access City Award was established in 2010 by the European Commission to promote and recognize European cities with more than 50.000 inhabitants that undertake initiatives to improve the accessibility in the urban environment, Information and Communication Technologies (ICT), citizens' services, transport and other fields.

Full article at:

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/10/1641&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=fr>

Information on the Award at: <http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=882&langId=en>

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## **INDIA**

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### **Universal Design Workshop & Design for All (India)**

There was a "Universal Design Workshop" held earlier this month at School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal, India. This workshop was a culmination of a 'National Student Design Competition on Universal Design/Inclusive Design.' Details are available at:

<http://www.spabhopal.ac.in> , <http://www.nsdcblogspot.com/> or  
<http://www.universaldesigninindia.blogspot.com/>



Design for All (India) continues to publish a newsletter that just brims with great information on universal design and universal design resources. You can access all editions (PDF) of the newsletter at <http://www.designforall.in/newsletter.html>.

- November 2010 – articles include “Connecting Customers with Disabilities to the Wireless World” and “Aging, well-being and Technology”
- December 2010 – articles include “Design for All in Practice” and “Research for Extending Quality Life: building the knowledge base for inclusive design”
- January 2011 – articles include “Inclusive Table/Bench Design Workshop for the NTUST Campus Landscape” and The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference for Universal Design in Hamamatsu 2010”
- February 2011 – articles include “One Size Does NOT Fit All” and “One University in the Eastern United

States Helped Make Its Campus Community Aware of Clothing Adapted for Persons with Special Needs.”

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## PORTUGAL

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### Portuguese Accessibility Guide

In Portugal, Associação Salvador - a non profit organization that aims to promote the integration of people with physical disabilities in society - has created the online guide in order to facilitate the search for these spaces in Portugal.

It is available in Portuguese and English and soon a German version will be available.

The guide is intended for the community of people with reduced mobility, both residents and tourists, but also for travel agents and tour operators that work with this market segment. It includes information about more than 3,000 thousand places, separated into different categories: accommodation, restaurants, cultural spaces, beaches, health services and other useful services.

Access the guide at: [www.portugalacessivel.com](http://www.portugalacessivel.com)

## **Turismo Acessível**

Courtesy of Scott Rains

Watch the videos, in Portuguese, at:

<http://www.rollinggrains.com/2010/12/tourism-for-all---thoughts-from-portugal.html>

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## **RUSSIA**

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### **The Sochi without Barriers Plan: Sochi 2014 Olympics**

In November 2010, Moscow, Russia, hosted the first conference for the implementation of an awareness program for the Sochi 2014 Paralympic Winter Games. The theme of the conference, organized by the Sochi 2014 Organizing Committee and the Russian International Olympic University (RIOU), was "National Programme to raise awareness of the Russian Federation citizens on the Paralympic Games and Paralympic values 2011 - 2014: Issues and Challenges".

President of the Sochi 2014 Organizing Committee, Dmitry Chernyshenko said: "What we do to raise social awareness of this issue and to encourage young people to promote Paralympic values is being one of the most important elements within this program. During the preparation for the 2014 Games in Sochi, we are not only drawing attention to the Paralympic theme, but also attempting to shift society's perceptions of people living with disabilities in our country as a whole. Our main task is to change the attitude of Russian society to the group of more than 13 million Russians who currently live with disabilities."

Read more at: <http://www.rollinggrains.com/2010/11/the-sochi-without-barriers-plan-sochi-2014-olympic.html>

For information about the Sochi Olympic Winter Games, visit: <http://sochi2014.com/en/>

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## **SINGAPORE**

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### **BCA Universal Design Awards**

Held annually since 2007 by the (Singapore) Building and Construction Authority, the Universal Design Award for the Built Environment gives recognition to building owners, developers and design professionals for enhancing the user-friendliness of the built environment by incorporating universal design in the conceptualization and construction of both new as well as refurbished buildings. Read more at: <http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/uda.html>

Do check out the “Learning Points” mentioned towards the bottom of the web-site. These serve to highlight to the industry the features that contribute to the user-friendliness of building facilities and observations on areas which can be further improved. Through this, BCA hopes to inculcate in the industry stakeholders, a motto to “design-for-all”, so as to transform our built environment into one that is truly friendly to people of all ages and abilities. The points are currently grouped according to the years of award:

- 2007 winning features,  
[http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/others/2007\\_UDA\\_Learning\\_Points.pdf](http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/others/2007_UDA_Learning_Points.pdf)
- 2008 winning features,  
[http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/others/2008\\_UDA\\_Learning\\_Points.pdf](http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/others/2008_UDA_Learning_Points.pdf)
- 2009 winning features,  
[http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/others/2009\\_UDA\\_Learning\\_Points.pdf](http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/others/2009_UDA_Learning_Points.pdf)
- 2010 winning features,  
[http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/others/2010\\_UDA\\_Learning\\_Points.pdf](http://www.bca.gov.sg/barrierFree/others/2010_UDA_Learning_Points.pdf)

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## **UNITED KINGDOM**

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### **Building For Life Awards, 2010**

Ten outstanding schemes have been given Building for Life Awards this year. Each is very different, but they have all created the kind of development that existing communities would recognize as a genuine new asset for the neighborhood. The 10 were chosen from the record 55 housing schemes that achieved a Building for Life standard in 2010.

Read more at: <http://jump.dexigner.com/news/21932>

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## The Inclusive Destination

In a recent article published in issue 48 of SEN magazine, published by the Sensory Trust, Lynsey Robinson explores how to make school visits accessible and rewarding for all.



**The inclusive destination**

Read the entire article (PDF) at:

[http://www.sensorytrust.org.uk/resources/SEN\\_48\\_school\\_visits.pdf](http://www.sensorytrust.org.uk/resources/SEN_48_school_visits.pdf)

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## Independence Matters

The Technology Strategy Board and the Design Council are working in partnership to launch a £600k investment that seeks to generate innovative solutions to help people live independently for longer. Home and Away is a response to the challenges and opportunities arising from the global demographic shift towards an ageing population. This program will demonstrate how design-led solutions can enhance independent living and quality of life for older people, with and without long-term conditions.

Read more at: [http://www.designcouncil.org.uk/our-work/challenges/Communities/Independence-Matters/?WT.dcsvid=NDA5OTYwNTE2NgS2&WT.mc\\_id=](http://www.designcouncil.org.uk/our-work/challenges/Communities/Independence-Matters/?WT.dcsvid=NDA5OTYwNTE2NgS2&WT.mc_id=)

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## Julia Cassim and Inclusive Design

Scott Rains (Rolling Rains) has posted a video of Julia Cassim running an Inclusive Design Challenge like [this one in Boston](#) with the Institute for Human Centered Design. What was her path to be the evangelist of inclusion?

Read more at: <http://www.rollingrains.com/2010/12/julia-cassim-and-inclusive-design.html>

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## Ireland's National Disability Authority Centre For Excellence in Universal Design

The Centre for Excellence in Universal Design is dedicated to enabling the design of environments that can be accessed, understood and used regardless of age, size and ability. The web-site contains an excellent collection of materials which were developed and distributed by or for Ireland's National Disability Authority Centre For Excellence in Universal Design.

Read more at: <http://www.universaldesign.ie/>

Select publications:

[http://www.universaldesign.ie/sites/default/files/BfE\\_1\\_External\\_Environment.pdf](http://www.universaldesign.ie/sites/default/files/BfE_1_External_Environment.pdf)



[http://www.universaldesign.ie/sites/default/files/BfE\\_2\\_Entrances\\_and\\_Horizontal\\_Circulation.pdf](http://www.universaldesign.ie/sites/default/files/BfE_2_Entrances_and_Horizontal_Circulation.pdf)

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[http://www.universaldesign.ie/sites/default/files/BfE\\_8\\_Building\\_Management.pdf](http://www.universaldesign.ie/sites/default/files/BfE_8_Building_Management.pdf)

[http://www.universaldesign.ie/sites/default/files/BfE\\_9\\_Planning.pdf](http://www.universaldesign.ie/sites/default/files/BfE_9_Planning.pdf)



## **VisitEngland Presents New Booklet on How to Capture the £2 Billion Accessible Tourism Market in England**

The booklet, entitled 'At Your Service', has been created through a joint partnership between the Government's Accessible Tourism Stakeholder Forum and VisitEngland with the aim of inspiring tourism businesses to improve accessibility for customers in the lead up to the London 2012 Olympic Games & Paralympic Games.

Read more at:

<http://www.accessibletourism.org/?i=enat.en.news.1093>

Download the booklet (PDF) at:

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## **UNITED STATES**

### **ADA**

Recognizing that ADA provides the floor for universal design (in the United States), here is a new publication that might be of interest -- USA – ADA Essentials for Transit Board Members, [https://secure2.convio.net/es/site/Ecommerce?VIEW\\_PRODUCT=true&product\\_id=7181&store\\_id=9663&autologin=true&JServSessionIdr004=56sczgw9f1.app224b](https://secure2.convio.net/es/site/Ecommerce?VIEW_PRODUCT=true&product_id=7181&store_id=9663&autologin=true&JServSessionIdr004=56sczgw9f1.app224b)

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## IDEAS Competition 2011

Though the submission deadline is past, we want to let you know about this great competition organized by the AIA Young Architects Forum (YAF) and the AIA Committee on Design (COD) whose winners will be announced on May 12, 2011.

For this unique sketch competition, submitters were asked to explore the concept of Universal Design as well as their overlap with values of social and environmental sustainability.

Read more at:

<http://www.aia.org/professionals/groups/yaf/AIAB086876>



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## IDSA – Design of the Decade

The Industrial Designers Society of America (IDSA) honored Target Corp.'s ClearRx with the Design of the Decade award, sponsored by Teague. ClearRx addresses the communication, packaging and system deficiencies encountered by users of maintenance drugs, including the elderly. It provides a solution that can reduce potential risks associated with taking medications.

Read more at: <http://www.idsa.org/dod> and <http://www.idsa.org/content/content1/target-corp%E2%80%99s-clearrx-earns-design-decade>



2010  
**LIVABLE COMMUNITIES AWARDS**

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## Livable Communities Awards Winners

To showcase the growing trend toward forward-thinking home design and communities that are user-friendly for people of all ages, AARP and NAHB (The National Association of Home Builders) announced in January the 2010 Livable Communities Awards winners at the International Builders' Show (IBS) in Orlando. The annual awards program honors builders, developers, remodelers and architects, and highlights their winning projects as models of livability and universal design. This year's honorees include professionals, companies, and projects from Indiana, Florida, Washington, Oregon, and California.

Read more at: <http://www.aarp.org/about-aarp/press-center/info-01-2011/2010LivableCommunitiesAwardsWinners.html>

Watch videos and learn more about the winners at: [www.aarp.org/homedesign](http://www.aarp.org/homedesign) and while there, “check out” the checklists provided.

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### **Universal Design for Learning AA-AAS Evaluation Tool**

The purpose of the AA-AAS Evaluation Tool is to apply the principles of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) to the design and administration of state alternate assessments based on alternate academic achievement standards (AA-AAS). The Evaluation Tool is intended to be used while reviewing documentation in state manuals, such as Test Administration Manuals, Teacher's Guides, etc. The Tool could also be used to help guide assessment development.

Read more at: <http://naac.cast.org/>

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## **WORLD**

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### **Community-based Rehabilitation (CBR)**

Community-based rehabilitation (CBR) focuses on enhancing the quality of life for people with disabilities and their families, meeting basic needs and ensuring inclusion and participation.

World Health Organization (WHO), in partnership with other UN agencies, collaborating centres and nongovernmental organizations is assisting these efforts by:

- developing guidelines for CBR in partnership with other UN Agencies, nongovernmental organizations including Disabled People's Organizations;
- conducting regional and country workshops to promote CBR and to develop national or regional CBR strategies;
- supporting Member States to initiate or strengthen existing CBR programs;
- developing a CBR Global database and network.

Read more at: <http://www.who.int/disabilities/cbr/en/>

Download the CBR Guidelines at:

<http://www.who.int/entity/disabilities/cbr/guidelines/en/index.html>

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## ISO – Accessibility for all

In view of its enormous impact on the social and economic situation in countries around the world, ISO Focus+ is devoted its September Special Report to accessibility. This subject was also at the core of 2010's theme for World Standards Day: "Standards make the world accessible for all".

The September issue, through articles covering subjects such as user interface accessibility as well as accessibility and usability of the build environment, shows how ISO standards are powerful tools for addressing these priorities and intend to help manufacturers, governments, regulators, designers, architects designing products and services to improve quality of life for all.

Read more about the special edition of Iso Focus+ (including details on purchasing a copy) at: [http://www.iso.org/iso/iso-focusplus\\_2010-08.htm](http://www.iso.org/iso/iso-focusplus_2010-08.htm)

Here is a link to the centerfold graphic (PDF), [http://www.iso.org/iso/iso-focusplus\\_centrefold\\_10-09.pdf](http://www.iso.org/iso/iso-focusplus_centrefold_10-09.pdf)

Read more about World Standards Day as held, 14 October 2010, <http://www.iso.org/iso/wsd2010.htm>

Read more about ISO and Design for All as reported by the Design for All foundation, <http://www.designforall.org/en/novetats/noticia.php?id=1050>

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## CALENDAR AND CALLS

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**[Now Past] February 1-24, 2011:** Design for All Foundation Awards 2011. Announcement of short-listed candidates and the award ceremony in Barcelona announcing the winners. Read more at: <http://www.designforall.org/en/awards/awards2011.php>

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**[Now Past] February 17-18, 2011:** The International Congress for Design for All, Malaga, Spain. Details available at: [http://www.fycma.com/?idLenguaje=2&event=Foro%20Internacional%20de%20Diseno%20Universa#/goEvento/Foro\\_Internacional\\_de\\_Diseno\\_Universal//General\\_Information/Presentation/](http://www.fycma.com/?idLenguaje=2&event=Foro%20Internacional%20de%20Diseno%20Universa#/goEvento/Foro_Internacional_de_Diseno_Universal//General_Information/Presentation/)

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**[Now Past] March 14-19, 2011:** 2011 CSUN Conference - 26th Annual Intl Technology & Persons with Disabilities Conference San Diego, CA. "The "CSUN" conference is the world's longest-running and largest conference of its kind on the topic of assistive technology & the positive impact on persons with disabilities. The conference draws more than 4,500 persons annually who attend sessions, visit the exhibit halls, & participate in affiliate meetings & informal

gatherings." Details at: <http://www.csunconference.org/index.cfm?EID=80000300&p=378>

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**April 18-20, 2011:** The sixth International conference on Inclusive Design; Include 2011 will take place at the Royal College of Art, London, UK. The theme will be: The Role of Inclusive Design in Making Social Innovation Happen. Details available at: <http://www.hhc.rca.ac.uk/2968/all/1/include-2011.aspx>

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**April 18-19, 2011:** Pacific Rim International Conference on Disabilities, Honolulu, Hawaii. Details available at: <http://www.pacrim.hawaii.edu/>

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**April 26-30, 2011:** Aging in America Conference, San Francisco, CA. Details available at: <http://www.agingconference.org/AiA11/index.cfm>

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**June 5-8, 2011:** The 2nd Festival of International Conferences on Caregiving, Disability, Aging and Technology (FICCDAT) will be held in Toronto, Canada. Details available at: <http://www.ficcdat.ca/main.cfm?cid=1559>

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**June 28-19, 2011:** Open Space: People Space 3 - Inclusive Design for Getting Outdoors, Edinburgh, Scotland. A conference on research into inclusive outdoor environments for people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities. Details available at: <http://www.chalmers.se/arch/SV/aktuellt/kalendarium/open-space-people-space>

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**July 4-8, 2011:** CAAD futures, Liege, Belgium. Details available at: <http://www.lucid.ulg.ac.be/conferences/caadfutures2011/About.html>

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**July 11-16, 2011:** Association on Higher Education and Disability (AHEAD) Conference 2011, Seattle, Washington, USA. More information at <http://www.ahead.org/conferences/2011>

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**May 28-June 1, 2012:** IFA 11<sup>th</sup> Global Conference on Ageing, Prague, Czech Republic. Details available at: <http://www.ifa2012.org/>

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**June 26-30, 2012:** ISG\*ISARC2012, Eindhoven, The Netherlands. The ISG (International Society for Gerontechnology) and ISARC (International Symposium for Automation and Robotics in Construction) will join forces for a 4-day International conference on technology for the aging society. Details available at: <http://www.isg-isarc2012.org/>

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**September 17-21, 2012:** TRANSED 2012, the 13th International Conference on Mobility and Transport for Elderly and Disabled Persons, India. The theme is "Seamless Access for All: Universal design for transport systems and infrastructure as a key element in the creation of livable cities". Details available at: [http://www.transed2012.in/abstract\\_submission.html](http://www.transed2012.in/abstract_submission.html)

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