

SYSTEMIC DELIVERY OF AN ACCESSIBLE CITY:

Trained investors, practitioners and government officials **PRAGUE**



Starting blocks:

The building process in the Czech Republic is based on the assumption that everyone involved is knowledgeable and can spot potential mistakes at various stages of the process.

But, the issue of physical accessibility is so complex that most investors, designers and officials do not really know what is right and what to look out for when carrying out their duties.

The Prague way:

The city offers free training sessions for its officials, employees of municipal organisations and regular contractors involved in project preparation and construction. Participants learn about the principles of the 'Design for All' approach, the special needs of vulnerable users of public space - especially people with white canes and people in wheelchairs - and the logic behind applying and using accessibility features.

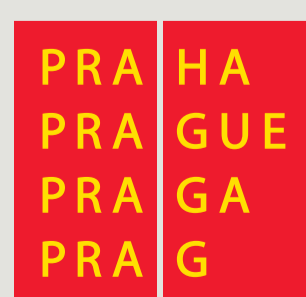
The training programme includes a white cane and wheelchair mobility test in a real urban street environment.

Prague offers a similar activity for students of technical schools specialising in construction.



Let's multiply our strengths and do it sustainably!

- » Errors in barrier-free solutions are the result of cluelessness rather than ill will.
- » Instead of trying in vain to personally control every urban project, teach key players who design public space how to do their job properly.
- » Only direct personal experience leads to the understanding necessary for the correct application of technical parameters and legal obligations.



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