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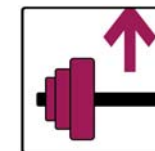
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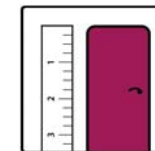
Barrierfree basis
for people
in companies



training tool



check and go tool



advice tool



Less barriers = more jobs!

It is still difficult for people with disabilities to access the labour market. The project '**check and go**' is aimed at contributing to a reduction of barriers not only in the working life of job seekers but also in companies.

On the one hand companies have a limited knowledge about barriers on the workplace and their effects. On the other, the applicants aren't able to describe exactly their individual needs.

The project check and go was created in order for the parties involved to avoid talking at cross-purposes.

Tools for companies and job applicants

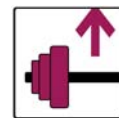
'check and go' is an English word that means to find out, to discover, to detect or to go ahead, to proceed.

check and go aims that with less barriers and more communication people with disabilities can get jobs easier and quicker.

Therefore the project develops **three tools**:



The '**check and go tool**' helps the applicants to draw up a profile of their individual demands or a profile of accessibility. In this way it is possible to record the kind of barriers which do exist for people with disabilities.



The '**training tool**' is a training designed to help people with disabilities improve qualifications and soft skills which are relevant to the job they are applying for.

This includes for instance the ability to communicate adequately one's own needs and demands, to behave in the right way when applying for a job, and to cope with job-related problems.



The '**advice tool**' finally has the objective of preparing companies to deal with job applicants with disabilities.

With the help of this tool it is possible for each company to check its quality standards with regard to barrier freedom and therefore abolish existing barriers. Consequently, companies are also able to independently adapt a workplace or an apprenticeship training position to the needs of the job applicants.

The tools will be available by the middle of 2007 as a demo version on the internet as well as a CD Rom. The final versions will be applied during the spring 2008.