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2022 Summer Edition Newsletter: Transportation

Barriers to public transport use

Norway has gone to great lengths to create an accessible transport system, but the use by people with disability has not risen significantly. So it was time to find out why. The answers are not what you might expect. The experiences of non-users reveals the actual design of a bus or a train is not enough to ensure accessibility. The ...

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Accessible Transport: Good practice guide

Improving Transport Accessibility for All: Guide to Good Practice, covers transport information, the road and pedestrian environment, infrastructure, vehicles, private cars, and emerging transport services. The information is detailed and specific. For example, in the first section on information, text size and font are discussed in relation to printed material, websites and the spoken word. The road and pedestrian section ...

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Transportation: You get what you measure

It's often said you get what you measure, so if you don't measure, what to do you get? We talk about inclusion and inclusive cities but how will we know if they are inclusive if we don't measure it? Transportation is an important part of a functioning city. So

inclusive and accessible transport systems are a must. Bridget Burdett's article ...

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Mobility Scooters in the Wild

When it comes to accessibility in the built environment, wheelchair users get the most attention. Partly because the access icon looks like a wheelchair user, and partly because built environment standards are based around them. But what about users of other mobility devices? A long ramp might be no problem for a powered wheelchair user. However, walking a long ramp ...

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Award winning wayfinding design

Three wayfinding design articles in this post. Award winning design for Transport for London, community wayfinding and hospital wayfinding. Deborah Abidakun, won an RSA Student Design Award for her wayfinding system design. As a person who is just below average height she found herself on tiptoe trying to understand 3D graphics and at night the lack of lighting made reading ...

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Transport and disability sector engagement

How do you find the people who are most disadvantaged by transport system design when they don't or can't travel? If you can't find them then how will you know what an inclusive transport system looks like? A guide to disability sector engagement for transport professionals is a great idea. One of Bridget Burdett's research interests within the transport sector ...

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Airport wayfinding: Easy for everyone

Airlines are working to improve accessibility, but airports also need to step up. People with disability are making regular complaints, and older people are likely to just give up travelling by air. Not good for the travel industry or tourism. So a well researched guide is welcome in this space. Wayfinding is far more than just good signage - it ...

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Mobility as a Service

Transportation, whether on the footpath, by bus, train or plane, is not an end in itself. It's what it allows us to do. The whole journey - the daily commute or the overseas flight, usually takes some joined up thinking. Making our journeys seamless is one of the aims of Mobility as a Service or MaaS. MaaS is about integrating ...

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Pedestrians on Wheels: A new paradigm?

Pedestrians are becoming more diverse. Moving through public spaces needs more design consideration by urban designers. It also means accessibility is more than having kerb ramps and level footpaths. Pedestrians on wheels is a new paradigm. Mobility will become more complex as mobility choices increase especially with battery powered devices. Added to strollers, wheeled suitcases, mobility scooters and wheelchairs, are Segways, ...

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Conferences and calls for papers

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New to the list: Masters Course - Design for All Strategy: Operational Criteria for

Accessible and Inclusive Design: The role of the inclusive designer. Post Graduate

Professional Course, held Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 February to 22 April. Language

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