





## Able to include software layer

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#### Able to Include

- European project (CIP-PSP)
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- Improvement of living conditions of people with intellectual or developmental disabilities (IDD)
  - Using existing technologies
  - Creating an open-source, context aware accessibility layer
  - → social inclusion!
- taking into account/based on wishes and needs of users





### Needs and wishes of users, but

- not everything is possible (technically)
- not everything is allowed (legally)

## 3 NLP techniques

- Text → Speech
- Simplification
- Text ←→ Picto





# Text → Speech (DU, EN, ES) we are using local products, pronunciation sounding familiar

### Simplification (EN and ES)

- lexical
  - automobile becomes car
- syntactic
  - splitting of sentences, passive to active, etc.
  - The man wearing a hat fell over a banana =>
    The man wears a hat. The man fell over a banana
  - The car was driven by a man => A man drove the car





#### Text ←→ Picto (Du, EN, ES; Sclera, Beta)

- Adding pictographs to text, NOT replacing it
- Should make sentences easier to understand
- In se a language independent, other pictograph sets can be added









- All three techniques are available in the Able tools, via the accessibility layer (presentation after coffee break)
- Before that break some more general presentations about 'digital inclusion' and 'user involvement'.
- Furthermore, there are presentations concerning Kolumba, the Able e-mail client, and Able-chat, and the way the users are working with these tools
- Near the end of the session, there are two more shorter presentations concerning inclusion





# Thanks!