#### UMBRACOSPARK #SPARKQA

Building better editor experiences: Empowering our authors to make accessible content

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# Accessibility will impact us all at some stage of our lives.













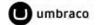






### Barriers are created by society.

https://www.sense.org.uk/about-us/the-social-model-of-disability/





















My experience of barriers.





















### Society is excluding users.



















# 15% of the population is registered to have a disability or impairment.

https://www.who.int/













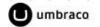






# The Purple pound is estimated at £249 billion.

https://wearepurple.org.uk/the-purple-pound-infographic/













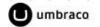






# Businesses **lose £2 billion a month** by ignoring accessibility.

https://wearepurple.org.uk/the-purple-pound-infographic/



















# 2/3 transactions are abandoned by people who are blind, when attempting to buy online.

https://www.deque.com/blog/research-shows-internet-is-unavailable-to-blind-users/



















### It is the **right** thing to do.







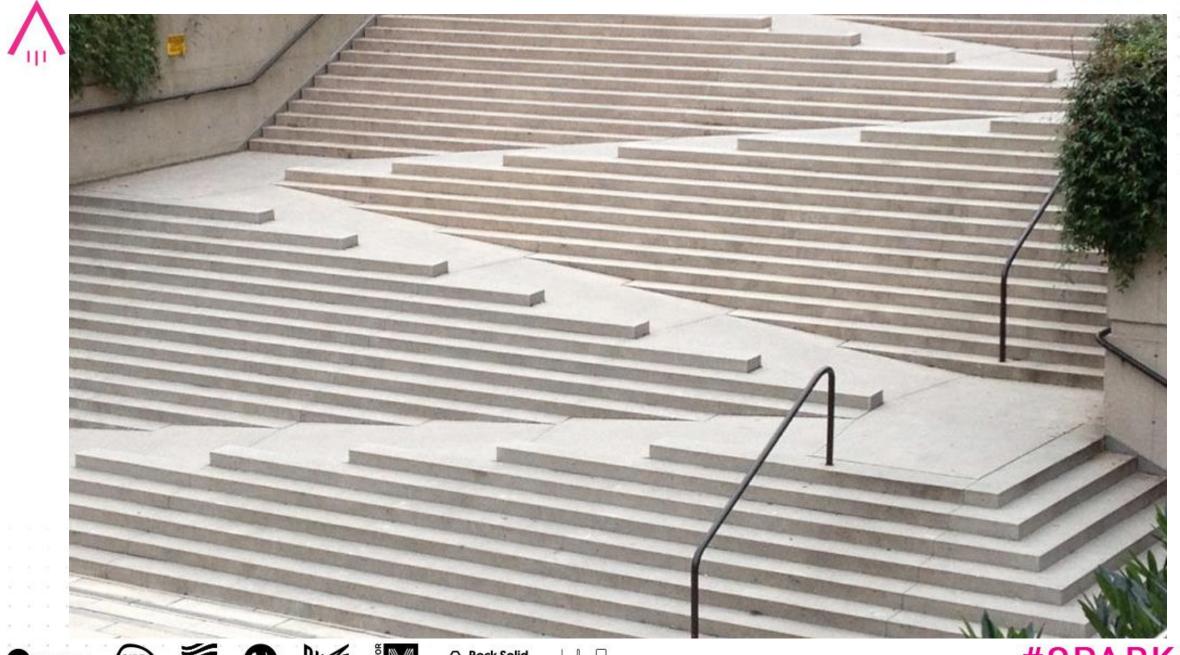




























# The current digital landscape for accessibility.



















## Spoiler...



















https://webaim.org/















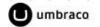




### Top one million home pages...

50,829,406 distinct accessibility errors were detected.

https://webaim.org/projects/million/













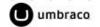






# 50 errors per homepage on average.

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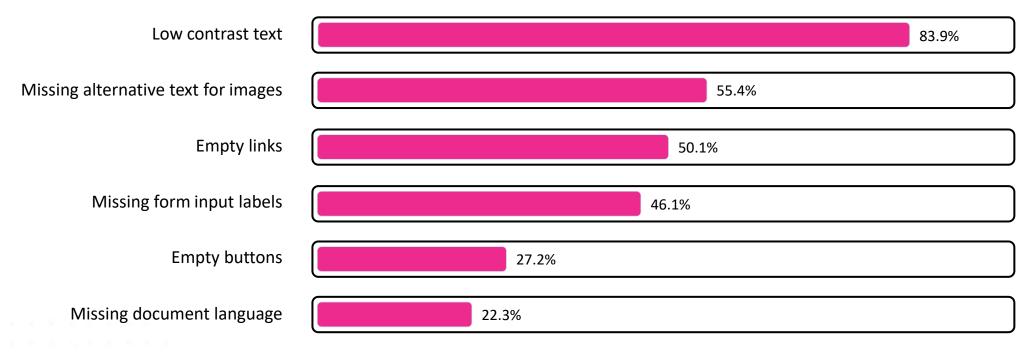


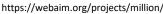






# Most common WCAG failures across the top million websites 2022.























#### 96.5%

# of all errors detected fall into those six categories.

https://webaim.org/projects/million/



















# These have been the same issues for the last 4 years.

https://webaim.org/projects/million/





















WAVE® is a suite of evaluation tools that helps authors make their web content more accessible to individuals with disabilities.

https://wave.webaim.org/
Also available as a Chrome extension.



















### However, you will also find...

1. Different errors, alerts and features to review.

2. Processes and requirements are missing.

3. It would take a lot of time and effort to run on our live sites.



















# Fixing accessibility barriers once live, is not going to be efficient.



















We need to be educating, embedding and having processes in place for accessibility.



















### Umbraco can play a key role.



















# We need **responsible** software that helps share **responsibility**.



















# Because accessibility is everyone's responsibility.











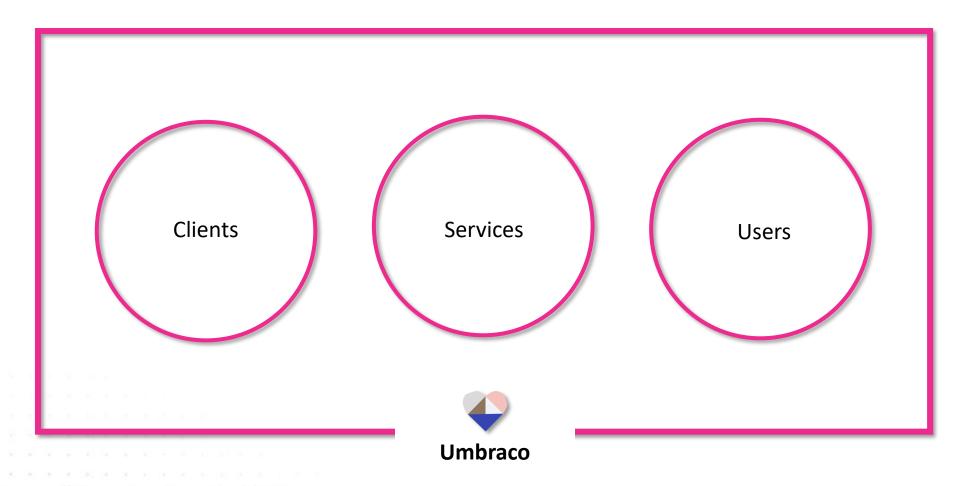








Umbraco can help embed accessibility, and benefit our:





















#### Which of the most common WCAG failures across the One Million Analysis could be addressed using Umbraco?

Low contrast text	0%
Missing alternative text for images	0%
Empty links	0%
Missing form input labels	0%
Empty buttons	0%
Missing document language	0%



















# We can **empower** our **clients** and **authors** through **Umbraco**.

















### The Accessible and Friendly CMS



















## How do we get there?



















## How the Components Relate

Authors ("developers") usually use authoring tools and evaluation tools to create web content.

People ("users") use web browsers, media players, assistive technologies, or other "user agents" to get and interact with the content.

content evaluation tools browsers, media players authoring tools assistive technologies developers users

https://www.w3.org/WAI/fundamentals/components/















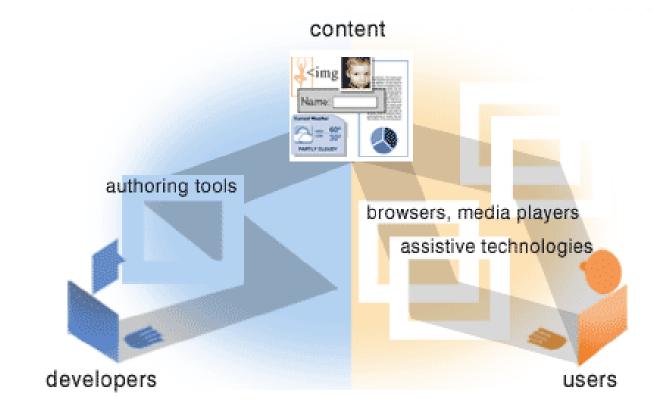






## When one component is weak

If an accessibility feature is not implemented in one component, there is little motivation for the other components to implement it when it does not result in an accessible user experience.



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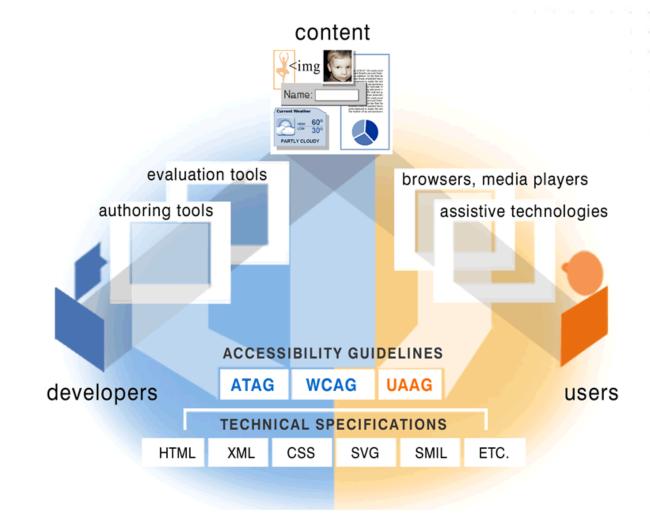


## Accessibility Guidelines

Developed by the W3C.

Built on top of the technical specifications of the web.

- Authoring Tools Accessibility Guidelines (ATAG)
- Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG)
- User Agent Accessibility Guidelines (UAAG)



nttps://www.w3.org/WAI/fundamentals/components/



















#### Guidelines for Umbraco

**Authoring Tool Accessibility Guidelines** (ATAG)

Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG)

authoring tools **ACCESSIBILITY GUIDELINES** WCAG UAAG developers TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS HTML XML CSS SVG SMIL ETC.

evaluation tools

content

















users

browsers, med<mark>ia pl</mark>ayers

assistive technologies

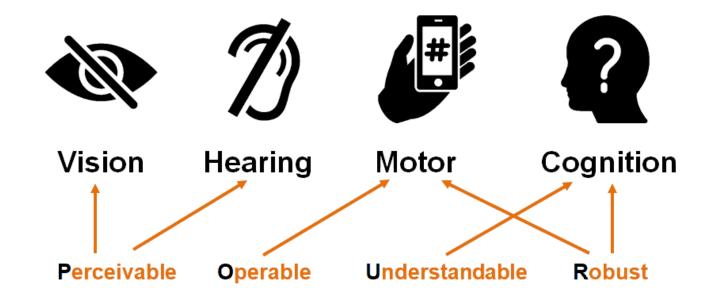


#### Part A requirements

Is about making the authoring tool itself accessible.

#### Must be:

- Perceivable
- Operable
- Understandable
- Robust





















#### Umbraco Accessibility Initiative

Umbraco Accessibility Team, and the many community contributors.

Take Umbraco from the friendly CMS, to the accessible CMS.





















#### Part B requirements

Is about the authoring tool helping authors produce accessible content.

Authors includes anyone working with the authoring tool.





















#### We4Authors cluster

Bringing market leading authoring tools together to improve accessibility by default.

10 x Accessibility features by default in all content management systems.









































#### We4Author cluster features

Tables creator

Change language

Text alternatives

Forms editor

Video embed

Documentation

Live testing while authoring

Testing of documents

Testing the content of pages

Testing the whole page













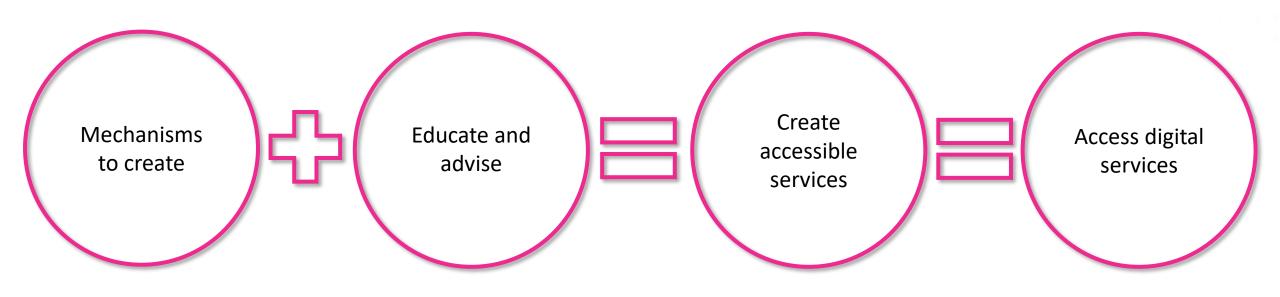








#### We4Author cluster features process





















### Not just "nice to haves".

Make a difference to our users.

Help during procurement.

Legislation changes.

• Make our jobs easier and more efficient.



















Let's make Accessibility a first-class citizen for all, in all our services.



















## (7) GitHub





https://github.com/umbraco/Umbraco-CMS.Accessibility.Issues

201+ Accessibility pull requests merged into the core.





















#### So, please...

Run WAVE on your services: <a href="https://wave.webaim.org/">https://wave.webaim.org/</a>

Share accessibility responsibilities within your own teams.

Get involved in the Umbraco Accessibility initiative:

https://github.com/umbraco/Umbraco-CMS.Accessibility.Issues



















# We can change the web using Umbraco.

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