

WHAT WE DO

- CAFE advises disabled supporters in setting up local and national pan-disability groups and provides ongoing information on football stadia facilities and services
- CAFE works with national disabled supporters groups and disability NGOs at a local level to ensure that more disabled people are able to follow live football
- CAFE is committed to pan-disability representation and ensures that the organisation is welcoming to all – A Place for Every Football Fan
- CAFE offers advice and support for disability awareness initiatives and shares all news and information from stakeholders across Europe
- CAFE will know it has succeeded when equal access to the game's services and facilities is standard practice

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Football in Europe**

'A Place for Every Football Fan'



CAFE - Centre for Access to Football in Europe

is a charity which has been created to ensure disabled supporters across UEFA's member associations can enjoy a football match as a problem-free experience.

CAFE's aim is inclusivity and equality of experience. And, because football embraces diversity in all its forms, CAFE works with the football family to raise disability awareness more widely throughout Europe.

More than 500 million people live within the European Union (EU) and around 10% are disabled. It is therefore reasonable to conclude that within the UEFA geographical region there may be more than 100 million disabled people. At least 500,000 are likely to be football supporters - and they have the right to enjoy football in the same way as everyone else: the right to equality of access. This applies to football at all levels.

More and more disabled supporters want to travel to UEFA matches and tournaments; as provisions improve, they will feel they can attend major tournaments such as EURO 2012 alongside their fellow supporters.

A European organisation to support this ambition is required to ensure equal access and inclusion for all existing and new disabled supporters across Europe.

CAFE has been established as a European wide organisation with a purpose to achieve equal access to football across Europe.

Our Objectives are:

- **To enable disabled people to follow football in Europe**
- **To achieve equal access for all football supporters in Europe**
- **To increase disability awareness and improve the lives of disabled people using the special influence of football within Europe**
- **To establish a European network of disabled football supporters**

WHAT WE DO

CAFE is an active and welcoming European hub, offering support and guidance to all stakeholders as the European football family come together to improve stadium facilities and services for disabled supporters.

CAFE works closely with UEFA, its member associations and their clubs, disabled supporters groups (national and local), organisations such as FARE, national disability NGOs and supporter networks such as Football Supporters Europe.

CAFE engages with the European Union, national governments and CEN (European Committee for Standardisation) to encourage continued and progressive legislation and guidance that supports equal access for disabled people.

CAFE promotes and shares all areas of good practice and presents new ideas and initiatives to all stakeholders. The CAFE website carries a portfolio of useful help sheets, information notes, technical reports, stadia guidance (buildings and services) for disabled supporters. These documents are available and/or published as permitted by the authors or signposted for purchase from the governing body.

**CAFE's message is clear -
By working together with all our supporters we will
ensure an inclusive future:**

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**If you have an event you wish to publicise please
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