

# UNIQUE



## Short Name

UNIQUE

## Formal Name

UNIQUE. Universal Design Strategies for Equity in the Proximity City

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Make people with disability become the scientist of a research project, and they will finally have their voice heard.



## Summary

UNIQUE seeks to embrace the needs and views of target groups in the proximity-city framework by including the final users' perspective from the very inception of this project. They will help shape, analyze and detect potential flaws in current participatory tools, such as the Proximity Flower. This way, it would be possible to improve the design of urban spaces, so everyone feels welcomed and included.

The participation would include different activities, including the co-creation of the inclusive "proximity flower". This tool is used to gather information from the neighbors from certain areas as they can place the city uses they want to find near their house to foster proximity mobility. This activity tries to engage citizens through handicrafts and artworks to boost their participation. However, it needs to be updated to fit everyone in the process, including people with disabilities who may face different barriers when using this tool, thus being normally excluded indirectly from this process.