

## Report of Questionnaires from Associations of people with disabilities EMILIA-ROMAGNA REGION

Questionnaires were fulfilled by members of the Association of people with disabilities during the event "Eco Marathon of the Salt" on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

Questionnaire has 8 questions.

**1. Type of dissability:**

- a) Physical disability
- b) Mental problems
- c) Chronic illness
- d) Visual disturbance
- e) Hearing impairment
- f) Please explain \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Sport contributes to better social interaction and better leisure time:**

- ☐ At all    ☐ Quite    ☐ Partially    ☐ Not really    ☐ Not at all

**3. On the scale from 1 to 5, how satisfied you are with the offer of the sport events for people with disabilities:**

(1 – very dissatisfied , 2 – dissatisfied, 3 – moderately satisfied, 4 – satisfied, 5 – very satisfied)

- ☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ 5

**4. What are the main problems on the sport events for people with disabilities?**

- a) Inadequate infrastructure
- b) Lack of misunderstanding of the organisers for people with disabilities
- c) Lack of appropriate sport facilities
- d) Please explain \_\_\_\_\_

**5. How participation in sporting events affects your life?**

(1 – not at all, 2 – not really, 3 – moderately, 4 – quite, 5 – very much)

- a) Sport contributes to increasing my social interaction with others  
☐ 1   ☐ 2   ☐ 3   ☐ 4   ☐ 5
- b) Sport helps me to release most of the negative energy  
☐ 1   ☐ 2   ☐ 3   ☐ 4   ☐ 5
- c) With the help of sports, I forgot my disability  
☐ 1   ☐ 2   ☐ 3   ☐ 4   ☐ 5
- d) After sports events I often stay with my sport colleagues  
☐ 1   ☐ 2   ☐ 3   ☐ 4   ☐ 5

**6. Do you think that when organizing sports events it suffices to emphasize that they are adapted for people with disabilities?**

- a) Yes
- b) No

**7. Does the organization of sports events have sufficient media space for people with disabilities?**

- a) Yes
- b) No

**8. Do you have any suggestions/ideas of improving the organisation of the sport events for people with disabilities?**

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**11 members** of Associations of people with disabilities answered on the above mentioned questions.

**For question 1**

- 6 people have physical disability
- 3 people have chronic illness
- 1 has visual disturbance
- 1 has hearing impairment.

**For question 2** (Sport contributes to better social interaction and better leisure time)

- 6 answered „Quite“
- 3 answered „At all“
- 2 answered „Partially“

**For question 3** (On the scale from 1 to 5; how satisfied you are with the offer of the sport events for people with disabilities)

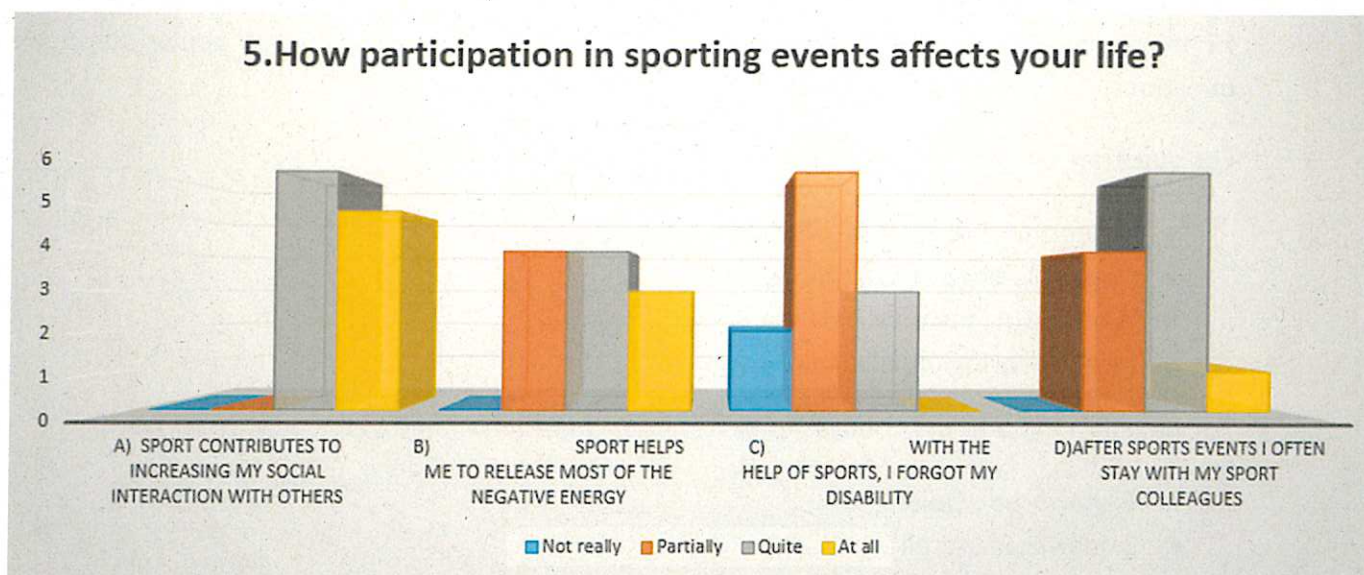
- 6 answered „satisfied“
- 5 answered „moderately satisfied“

**For question 4** (What are the main problems on the sport events for people with disabilities?)

- 5 answered „Inadequate infrastructure“
- 4 answered „Lack of appropriate sport facilities“
- 2 answered „misunderstanding of the organisers for people with disabilities“

**For question 5** (How participation in sporting events affects your life?) answers chart as follows:





In general, the participation in sporting events partially contributes to better social interaction and better leisure time for people with disabilities.

For **question 6** (Do you think that when organizing sports events it suffices to emphasize that they are adapted for people with disabilities?)

- 9 answered „NO“
- 2 answered „YES“

For **question 7** (Does the organization of sports events have sufficient media space for people with disabilities?)

- 10 answered „NO“
- 1 answered „YES“

The outcome of the questionnaires shows that the respondents are satisfied or moderately satisfied with the offer for people with disabilities.

However, the main criticisms focus on inadequate infrastructure and scarcity of appropriate sport facilities for disabled people.

The organization of sports events requires more than to emphasize that they are adapted for people with disabilities, and the media space for people with disabilities is also not adequate for them.

In order to end, the suggestions received from the respondents for the improvement of the organization of the sport events include the need of involving associations of people with disabilities in the organization, of improving the communication about sport events which can involve youngsters with disabilities maybe more interested in getting involved, of providing all information about the facilities and the services for people with special needs they can have on the site of the event.

