



Report of the questionnaire for the members of the Association of people with disabilities made by Veneto Innovazione.

After the Venice Marathon and by phone calls, Veneto Innovazione interviewed the representatives of two associations of people with disabilities, such as of people with mental problems and with physical disabilities.

They both are quite sure that sport contributes to better social interaction and better leisure time, giving the following judgement:

Association of people with mental problems: Quite

Association of people with physical disabilities At all.

They are both satisfied with the offer of the sports events for people with disabilities giving the rate 2.

As for the main problems on the sports events for people with disabilities the association for people with mental problems thinks that there is a lack of appropriate sports facilities, while the representative of people with physical disabilities showed that organizations need to understand disabled participants more.

The following table shows how much the associations think sporting events affect life.

	Mental ass.	Physical ass.
Sport contributes to increasing my social interaction with others	5	4
Sport helps me to release most of the negative energy	3	4
With the help of sports, I forgot my disability	1	1
After sports events I often stay with my sport colleagues	4	5

They both think that sports event organizers should emphasize more that they are adapted for people with disabilities.

They also do not think that sports events organizers dedicate sufficient media space for people with disabilities.

According to the association for people with mental problems, those who try to participate in a sporting event for the first time do not find the right information easily.

They also think that sports event organizers should show the communication material to disability organizations before so that they can show where to complete or correct information.

The representative of the association of people with physical disabilities thinks that organizers should be trained better when they assist people with disabilities. Still, it is not possible, as in the end it is an economic problem.