



# CHED – Chess Platform for Deaf People

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# 1 European Results

# 1.1 Background Information

What best describes you?

|                 | Number of Answers | % of Answers |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Deaf Person     | 84                | 53.8 %       |
| Hard of Hearing | 46                | 29.5 %       |
| Non-Deaf Person | 26                | 16.7 %       |
| Total (n=)      | 156               |              |
| Unanswered      | 0                 |              |

Table 1:: Responses to 'What best describes you?", relating to whether participant is part of the Deaf community.

## Do you know sign language?

|                     | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|---------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Yes, Fluent         | 102                  | 79.1 %       |
| Yes, Some Knowledge | 17                   | 13.2 %       |
| No                  | 10                   | 7.8 %        |
| Total (n=)          | 129                  |              |
| Unanswered          | 27                   |              |

Table 2: Responses to "Do you know sign language?".

## **1.2** European Accessibility to Sporting Activities

## **1.2.1** Accessibility to Sporting Activities for all European People

What best describes your sporting activity?

|                                      | Number of Answers | % of Answers |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Play Sport Often                     | 62                | 40.3 %       |
| Play Sport<br>Occasionally           | 54                | 35.1 %       |
| Do not Play but<br>Engage with Sport | 16                | 10.4 %       |
| Do not Play nor<br>Engage with Sport | 22                | 14.3 %       |
| Total (n=)                           | 154               |              |
| Unanswered                           | 2                 |              |

Table 3: Responses to "What best describes you?", relating to the participant's sporting activity.

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Yes        | 99                   | 63.5 %       |
| No         | 57                   | 36.5 %       |
| Total (n=) | 156                  |              |
| Unanswered | 0                    |              |

Table 4: Responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Answers | % of Answers |
|--|-------------------|--------------|
| Money                                    | 51                | 27.7 %       |
| Access to Organised Sports Leagues       | 44                | 23.9 %       |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn                | 31                | 16.8 %       |
| Access to<br>Equipment and<br>Facilities | 51                | 27.7 %       |
| Other                                    | 7                 | 3.8 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                     | 184               |              |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions         | 98                |              |
| Unanswered                               | 58                |              |

Table 5: Responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 4.

#### "Other" barriers identified:

- Lack of two-sided communication between the Deaf Community and their hearing peers. Increased utilisation of open communication would lead to greater understanding of the Deaf Community and their accessibility needs. This mutual comprehension of perspectives would increase socialisation and respect between individuals and organisations;
- A lack of free time due to work and personal life leaves little availability in the day to play sports;
- People do not have time to fit sporting activities around their career;
- People do not think sport is important.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                                  | Number of Answers | % of Answers |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| More Funding                     | 43                | 19.4 %       |
| More Sports Organisations        | 47                | 21.2 %       |
| Sports                           |                   |              |
| Organisations for                | 33                | 14.9 %       |
| Sports I like                    |                   |              |
| More Training                    | 31                | 14.0 %       |
| Better Accessibility Support     | 64                | 28.8 %       |
| Other                            | 4                 | 1.8 %        |
| Total Answers                    | 222               |              |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions | 97                |              |
| Unanswered                       | 59                |              |

Table 6: Responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 5.

## "Other" actions identified:

- Make more sporting activities available;
- Two participants suggested that more information regarding the importance of sport should be distributed;
- People should be encouraged to participate in sporting activities in schools and workplaces.

## 1.2.2 Accessibility to Sporting Activities for the European Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Yes        | 112                  | 72.3 %       |
| No         | 43                   | 27.7 %       |
| Total (n=) | 155                  |              |
| Unanswered | 1                    |              |

Table 7: Responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                          | Number of Answers | % of Answers |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Money                    | 56                | 23.7 %       |
| Access to                |                   |              |
| Organised Sports         | 47                | 19.9 %       |
| Leagues                  |                   |              |
| Opportunities to         | 55                | 23.3 %       |
| Learn                    |                   | 25.5 /0      |
| Access to                |                   |              |
| <b>Equipment and</b>     | 60                | 25.4 %       |
| Facilities               |                   |              |
| Other                    | 18                | 7.6 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b>     | 236               |              |
| <b>Total Participant</b> | 109               |              |
| Submissions              | 109               |              |
| Unanswered               | 47                |              |

Table 8: Responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 7.

#### "Other" barriers identified:

- Deaf people are at a disadvantage because they can't hear what their trainer is saying to them. This barrier is particularly prominent in chess as you need to look at the board. Therefore, it's not possible to play and lipread at the same time;
- Communication is not accessible between Deaf people and their hearing peers;
- Lack of qualified trainers possessing sing language skills. Lack of integration among Deaf and hearing sportspeople;
- Lack of information and/or centres that can organise sporting activities for Deaf people. Additionally, there is a lack of sign language interpreters;
- Poor organisation of activities;
- Three participants stated that there is no national sports association for Deaf people in Romania;
- There is a lack of the appropriate facilities and a lack of money to produce required facilities;
- People who are Hard of Hearing or Deaf are not encouraged to participate in sporting activities;
- There is a lack of awareness regarding difficulties faced by Deaf and Hard of Hearing people when taking part in sporting activities. The resultant lack of self-esteem of these individuals becomes a barrier;
- There is a societal pressure on the Deaf community. This is due to many people being of the opinion that those with disabilities cannot participate in sport. This leads to social exclusion and a lack of self-esteem;
- There is a deficiency of social support to motivate people with disabilities to participate in sports;
- Social exclusion;
- Lack of civil society organisations (CSOs) to bring Deaf and Hard of Hearing people together. This results in a lack of communication withing the Deaf Community;
- There is a general lack of awareness regarding communities of people with disabilities.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                             | Number of Answers | % of Answers |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| More Funding                | 54                | 18.8 %       |
| More Sports                 | 49                | 17.0 %       |
| Organisations               | 49                | 17.0 /0      |
| Sports                      |                   |              |
| Organisations for           | 47                | 16.3 %       |
| Sports I like               |                   |              |
| More Training               | 52                | 18.1 %       |
| <b>Better Accessibility</b> | 72                | 25.0 %       |
| Support                     | /2                | 23.0 /0      |
| Other                       | 14                | 4.9 %        |
| Total Answers               | 288               |              |
| Total Participant           | 109               |              |
| Submissions                 | 109               |              |
| Unanswered                  | 47                |              |

Table 9: Responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in

Table 8.

#### "Other" actions identified:

- Investigate possibility of allowing Deaf people to wear special glasses. For chess, these
  glasses could perhaps allow the player to view the board whilst also watching their
  coach or signer;
- Popularise the information about sport for Deaf people in the media, and spread information showing that Deaf people can participate in sports in an equal manner to their hearing peers;
- Amendment of the Romanian legislation to allow establishment of a national sports association for the Deaf;
- Increase general awareness regarding communities for people with disabilities;
- Three participants suggested the establishment of organisations (CSOs or public institutions) which work specifically with Hard of Hearing and Deaf people. This will motivate individuals to participate in sporting activities. It will also make access to

sporting activities easier for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people. Mechanisms should also be implemented to promote sport for all people with disabilities;

- Implementing greater emphasis on the importance of socialisation within communities for those with disabilities;
- Two participants suggested promoting inclusion of people with disabilities within more/all existing sports organisations;
- Organisation of campaigns at various establishments. These would focus on raising awareness of sports for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people.

## 1.3 European Accessibility to Chess Activities

## 1.3.1 Accessibility to Chess Activities for all European People

Do you play chess?

|            | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Yes        | 102                  | 65.8 %       |
| No         | 53                   | 34.2 %       |
| Total (n=) | 155                  |              |
| Unanswered | 1                    |              |

Table 10: Responses to "Do you play chess?".

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Yes        | 44                   | 43.1 %       |
| No         | 58                   | 56.9 %       |
| Total (n=) | 102                  |              |
| Unanswered | 54                   |              |

Table 11: Responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|--|----------------------|--------------|
| Money                                      | 20                   | 29.0 %       |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues          | 20                   | 29.0 %       |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 13                   | 18.8 %       |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 11                   | 15.9 %       |
| Other                                      | 5                    | 7.2 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                       | 69                   |              |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions           | 43                   |              |
| Unanswered                                 | 113                  |              |

Table 12: Responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 11.

## "Other" barriers identified:

- Sign language translators aren't provided;
- Sign language translations aren't provided;
- It was noted that a participant knew many Blind chess players, but not many Deaf or Hard of Hearing players. The reasons for this are unclear, but the phenomenon hints at the existence of barriers specific to the Deaf Community;
- Trainers do not know sign language, and Deaf people do not understand text in the training books;
- Chess activities are not promoted enough to children.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                      | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| More Funding                         | 20                   | 29.4 %       |
| Creating more Chess<br>Organisations | 20                   | 29.4 %       |
| More Training                        | 14                   | 20.6 %       |
| Better Accessibility Support         | 12                   | 17.6 %       |
| Other                                | 2                    | 2.9 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                 | 68                   |              |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions     | 40                   |              |
| Unanswered                           | 116                  |              |

Table 13: Responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 12.

#### "Other" actions identified:

- Provide a sign language translator;
- Educate trainers in sign language.

## 1.3.2 Accessibility to Chess Activities for the European Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Yes        | 58                   | 58.0 %       |
| No         | 42                   | 42.0 %       |
| Total (n=) | 100                  |              |
| Unanswered | 56                   |              |

Table 14: Responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf or hard of hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?"

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|--|----------------------|--------------|
| Money                                      | 19                   | 20.4 %       |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues          | 19                   | 20.4 %       |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 16                   | 17.2 %       |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 34                   | 36.6 %       |
| Other                                      | 5                    | 5.4 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                       | 93                   |              |
| Total Participant Submissions              | 54                   |              |
| Unanswered                                 | 102                  |              |

Table 15: Responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 14.

#### "Other" barriers identified:

- In order to successfully translate chess training into sign language, the complexity of the game must be simplified. This intensifies the difficulty of learning chess for Deaf people;
- Those who were born deaf can only read chess materials in a language which is not their first language;
- Trainers aren't educated in sign language;
- Lack of promotion of the sport of the mind, such as chess, in schools for Deaf people;
- An appropriate federation must be set up. At the moment there is no chess federation for the Deaf Community in Romania.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| More Funding                      | 19                   | 19.4 %       |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 25                   | 25.5 %       |
| More Training                     | 29                   | 98.6 %       |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 23                   | 23.5 %       |
| Other                             | 2                    | 2.0 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b>              | 98                   |              |
| Total Participant Submissions     | 55                   |              |
| Unanswered                        | 101                  |              |

Table 16: Responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 15.

#### "Other" actions identified:

- More awareness among the deaf community. It was identified that there are already "many great non audio based training resources available". The website chess.com was identified as an example resource;
- Chess training materials aimed solely for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people should be produced. Chess is a visual game and therefore accessible for members of the Deaf Community. Resultantly, after a Deaf or Hard of Hearing person has learned to play, they are no different from their hearing peers. However, sound is an important factor in training, hence the need for specifically adapted materials.

## 1.4 European Accessibility to Online Training

Have you ever taken online training?

|            | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Yes        | 42                   | 32.8 %       |
| No         | 86                   | 67.2 %       |
| Total (n=) | 128                  |              |
| Unanswered | 28                   |              |

Table 17: Responses to "Have you ever taken online training?"

What were the best aspects of online training you have undertaken?

|   | Number of<br>Answers | % of Answers |
|---|----------------------|--------------|
| Translation in Sign<br>Language                               | 20                   | 45.5 %       |
| Clear Enough to<br>Understand (Even if<br>SL wasn't Provided) | 15                   | 34.1 %       |
| Right Length  | 3                    | 6.8 %        |
| Other   | 6                    | 13.6 %       |
| <b>Total Answers</b>  | 44                   |              |
| Total Participant Submissions                                 | 38                   |              |
| Unanswered  | 118                  |              |

Table 18: Responses to "What were the best aspects?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 17.

Of the three participants who stated their experience with online training lasted for the optimum length of time, two participants stated what this time period was. The two optimum lengths of training stated were as follows:

- 45 50 minutes;
- 45 minutes.

"Other" aspects of training identified as working well were as follows:

• The training wasn't very substantial, but the participant was still able to understand by watching.

What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?

|  | Number of Answers | % of Answers |
|--|-------------------|--------------|
| No Training in Sign<br>Language                      | 16                | 32.7 %       |
| SL Explanation Unclear / in a Different Language     | 9                 | 18.4 %       |
| No SL and Other<br>Contents wasn't<br>Understandable | 13                | 26.5 %       |
| Too Long   | 3                 | 6.1 %        |
| Too Short  | 3                 | 6.1 %        |
| Other  | 5                 | 10.2 %       |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                                 | 49                |              |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                     | 36                |              |
| Unanswered   |                   |              |

Table 19: Responses to "What did not work well?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 17.

Of the three participants who stated their experience with online training lasted too long, one participant stated what this time period was. The length of training stated as being too long was as follows:

• 90 minutes.

Of the three participants who stated their experience with online training didn't last long enough, two participants stated what the length of this training was. The time periods stated as being too short were as follows:

- 45 50 minutes;
- 15 minutes.

The participant who stated training lasted only 15 minutes clarified that this only covered the rules of the game.

"Other" aspects of training identified as not working well were as follows:

- A participant expressed they would like to watch training with a sign language translation in order to better understand it;
- There was a lack of interactive features within the training;
- Two participants stated that the training was of a poor quality;
- Lack of support for those who are Hard of Hearing;
- The training wasn't produced specifically for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people.

  Resultantly, the accessibility needs of the Deaf Community were not taken into account.

# 2 Armenian Results

# 2.1 Background Information

What best describes you?

|                 | Number of Armenian | % of Armenian |
|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|
|                 | Answers            | Answers       |
| Deaf Person     | 12                 | 60.0 %        |
| Hard of Hearing | 8                  | 40.0 %        |
| Non-Deaf Person | 0                  | 0.0 %         |
| Total (n=)      | 20                 |               |
| Unanswered      | 0                  |               |

Table 20: Armenian responses to "What best describes you?", relating to whether participant is part of the Deaf community.

## Do you know sign language?

|                     | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Yes, Fluent         | 17                            | 85.0 %                |
| Yes, Some Knowledge | 3                             | 15.0 %                |
| No                  | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Total (n=)          | 20                            |                       |
| Unanswered          | 0                             |                       |

Table 21: Armenian responses to "do you know sign language?".

# 2.2 Armenian Accessibility to Sporting Activities

## 2.2.1 Accessibility to Sporting Activities for all Armenian People

What best describes your sporting activity?

|                                      | Number of Armenian<br>Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Play Sport Often                     | 12                            | 60.0 %                |
| Play Sport<br>Occasionally           | 8                             | 40.0 %                |
| Do not Play but<br>Engage with Sport | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Do not Play nor<br>Engage with Sport | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Total (n=)                           | 20                            |                       |
| Unanswered                           | 0                             |                       |

Table 22: Armenian responses to "What best describes you?", relating to the participant's sporting activity.

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number Armenian of Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Yes        | 2                          | 10.0 %                |
| No         | 18                         | 90.0 %                |
| Total (n=) | 20                         |                       |
| Unanswered | 0                          |                       |

Table 23: Armenian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                                    | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian<br>Answers |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Money                              | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Access to Organised Sports Leagues | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn          | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Access to Equipment and Facilities | 2                             | 100. %                   |
| Other                              | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| <b>Total Answers</b>               | 2                             |                          |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions   | 2                             |                          |
| Unanswered                         | 18                            |                          |

Table 24: Armenian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 23.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian<br>Answers |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| More Funding                           | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| More Sports Organisations              | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Sports Organisations for Sports I like | 1                             | 50.0 %                   |
| More Training                          | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Better Accessibility Support           | 1                             | 50.0 %                   |
| Other                                  | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                   | 2                             |                          |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions       | 2                             |                          |
| Unanswered                             | 18                            |                          |

Table 25: Armenian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 24.

## 2.2.2 Accessibility to Sporting Activities for the Armenian Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number Armenian | % of Armenian |
|------------|-----------------|---------------|
|            | of Answers      | Answers       |
| Yes        | 3               | 15.0 %        |
| No         | 17              | 85.0 %        |
| Total (n=) | 20              |               |
| Unanswered | 0               |               |

Table 26: Armenian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                                    | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian<br>Answers |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Money                              | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Access to Organised Sports Leagues | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn          | 2                             | 66.7 %                   |
| Access to Equipment and Facilities | 1                             | 33.3 %                   |
| Other                              | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| <b>Total Answers</b>               | 3                             |                          |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions   | 3                             |                          |
| Unanswered                         | 17                            |                          |

Table 27: Armenian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 26.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian<br>Answers |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| More Funding                           | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| More Sports Organisations              | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Sports Organisations for Sports I like | 1                             | 33.3 %                   |
| More Training                          | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| Better Accessibility Support           | 2                             | 66.7 %                   |
| Other                                  | 0                             | 0.0 %                    |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                   | 3                             |                          |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions       | 3                             |                          |
| Unanswered                             | 17                            |                          |

Table 28: Armenian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 27.

# 2.3 Armenian Accessibility to Chess Activities

## 2.3.1 Accessibility to Chess Activities for all Armenian People

Do you play chess?

|            | Number of        | % of Armenian |
|------------|------------------|---------------|
|            | Armenian Answers | Answers       |
| Yes        | 10               | 50.0 %        |
| No         | 10               | 50.0 %        |
| Total (n=) | 20               |               |
| Unanswered | 0                |               |

Table 29: Armenian responses to "Do you play chess?".

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of        | % of Armenian Answers |
|------------|------------------|-----------------------|
|            | Armenian Answers |                       |
| Yes        | 3                | 30.0 %                |
| No         | 7                | 70.0 %                |
| Total (n=) | 10               |                       |
| Unanswered | 10               |                       |

Table 30: Armenian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|   | Number of<br>Armenian<br>Answers | % of Armenian<br>Answers |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Money                                   | 0                                | 0.0 %                    |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues       | 0                                | 0.0 %                    |
| Opportunities to Play Chess with Others | 1                                | 33.3 %                   |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess         | 0                                | 0.0 %                    |
| Other                                   | 2                                | 66.7 %                   |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                    | 3                                |                          |
| Total Participant Submissions           | 3                                |                          |
| Unanswered                              | 17                               |                          |

Table 31: Armenian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 30.

## "Other" barriers identified:

- Sign language translators aren't provided;
- Sign language translations aren't provided.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                      | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| More Funding                         | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Creating more Chess<br>Organisations | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| More Training                        | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Better Accessibility Support         | 2                             | 66.7 %                |
| Other                                | 1                             | 66.7 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                 | 3                             |                       |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions     | 3                             |                       |
| Unanswered                           | 17                            |                       |

Table 32: Armenian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 31.

#### "Other" action identified:

• Provide a sign language translator.

## 2.3.2 Accessibility to Chess Activities for the Armenian Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Yes        | 2                             | 20.0 %                |
| No         | 8                             | 80.0 %                |
| Total (n=) | 10                            |                       |
| Unanswered | 10                            |                       |

Table 33: Armenian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf or hard of hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?"

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Money                                      | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues          | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 1                             | 50.0 %                |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Other                                      | 1                             | 50.0 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                       | 2                             |                       |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions           | 2                             |                       |
| Unanswered                                 | 18                            |                       |

Table 34: Armenian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 33.

## "Other" barrier identified:

• In order to successfully translate chess training into sign language, the complexity of the game must be simplified. This intensifies the difficulty of learning chess for Deaf people.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                      | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| More Funding                         | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Creating more Chess<br>Organisations | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| More Training                        | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Better Accessibility Support         | 2                             | 100.0 %               |
| Other                                | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                 | 2                             |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions        | 2                             |                       |
| Unanswered                           | 18                            |                       |

Table 35: Armenian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 34.

## 2.4 Armenian Accessibility to Online Training

Have you ever taken online training?

|            | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Yes        | 6                             | 30.0 %                |
| No         | 14                            | 70.0 %                |
| Total (n=) | 20                            |                       |
| Unanswered | 0                             |                       |

Table 36: Armenian responses to "Have you ever taken online training?"

What were the best aspects of online training you have undertaken?

|   | Number of<br>Armenian<br>Answers | % of Armenian<br>Answers |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Translation in Sign<br>Language                               | 0                                | 0.0 %                    |
| Clear Enough to<br>Understand (Even if<br>SL wasn't Provided) | 1                                | 16.7 %                   |
| Right Length  | 0                                | 0.0 %                    |
| Other   | 5                                | 83.3 %                   |
| <b>Total Answers</b>  | 6                                |                          |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                              | 6                                |                          |
| Unanswered  | 14                               |                          |

Table 37: Armenian responses to "What were the best aspects?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 36.

"Other" responses are broken down in the following Table 38:

|                              | Number of Armenian<br>"Other" Answers | % of Armenian "Other" Answers |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| No Training in Sign Language | 4                                     | 57.14 %                       |
| SL Explanation Unclear       | 3                                     | 42.86 %                       |
| Total "Other" Answers        | 7                                     |                               |
| Total "Other" Submissions    | 5                                     |                               |

Table 38: Breakdown of answers given by participants who contributed the number of "Other" responses shown in Table 37.

As shown by Table 38, participants who selected "Other" for this question provided problems with their training. These aspects are better utilised for answering the next question; "What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?". Therefore, answers illustrated in Table 38 have been integrated into the results shown in Table 39.

What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?

|  | Number of<br>Armenian Answers | % of Armenian Answers |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| No Training in Sign<br>Language                      | 4                             | 30.8 %                |
| SL Explanation Unclear / in a Different Language     | 3                             | 23.1 %                |
| No SL and Other<br>Contents wasn't<br>Understandable | 5                             | 38.5 %                |
| Too Long   | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Too Short  | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Other  | 1                             | 7.7 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                                 | 13                            |                       |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                     | 11                            |                       |
| Unanswered   | 9                             |                       |

Table 39: Armenian responses to "What did not work well?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 36. Results from Table 38 have also been integrated.

One "Other" aspect that did not work well for online training was identified as follows:

• A participant expressed they would like to watch training with a sign language translation in order to better understand it.

# **3** Greek Results

# 3.1 Background Information

What best describes you?

|                 | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                 |                            |                       |
| Deaf Person     | 13                         | 81.3 %                |
| Hard of Hearing | 3                          | 18.8 %                |
| Non-Deaf Person | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Total (n=)      | 16                         |                       |
| Unanswered      | 0                          |                       |

Table 40: Greek responses to "What best describes you?", relating to whether participant is part of the Deaf community.

## Do you know sign language?

|                     | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Yes, Fluent         | 12                         | 75.0 %                |
| Yes, Some Knowledge | 1                          | 6.3%                  |
| No                  | 3                          | 18.8 %                |
| Total (n=)          | 16                         |                       |
| Unanswered          | 0                          |                       |

Table 41: Greek responses to "do you know sign language?".

# 3.2 Greek Accessibility to Sporting Activities

## 3.2.1 Accessibility to Sporting Activities for all Greek People

What best describes your sporting activity?

|                                      | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Play Sport Often                     | 5                          | 33.3 %                |
| Play Sport<br>Occasionally           | 9                          | 60.0 %                |
| Do not Play but<br>Engage with Sport | 1                          | 6.7 %                 |
| Do not Play nor<br>Engage with Sport | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Total (n=)                           | 15                         |                       |
| Unanswered                           | 1                          |                       |

Table 42: Greek responses to "What best describes you?", relating to the participant's sporting activity.

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Greek | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
|            | Answers         |                       |
| Yes        | 14              | 87.5 %                |
| No         | 2               | 12.5 %                |
| Total (n=) | 16              |                       |
| Unanswered | 0               |                       |

Table 43: Greek responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Money                                    | 10                         | 33.3 %                |
| Access to<br>Organised Sports<br>Leagues | 12                         | 40.0 %                |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn                | 4                          | 13.3 %                |
| Access to<br>Equipment and<br>Facilities | 4                          | 13.3 %                |
| Other                                    | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Total Answers                            | 30                         |                       |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions         | 14                         |                       |
| Unanswered                               | 2                          |                       |

Table 44: Greek responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 43.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| More Funding                           | 5                          | 14.7 %                |
| More Sports Organisations              | 5                          | 14.7 %                |
| Sports Organisations for Sports I like | 8                          | 23.5 %                |
| More Training                          | 5                          | 14.7 %                |
| Better Accessibility Support           | 11                         | 32.4 %                |
| Other                                  | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Total Answers                          | 34                         |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions          | 14                         |                       |
| Unanswered                             | 2                          |                       |

Table 45: Greek responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 44.

## 3.2.2 Accessibility to Sporting Activities for the Greek Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Greek | % of Greek Answers |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|            | Answers         |                    |
| Yes        | 11              | 68.8 %             |
| No         | 5               | 31.3 %             |
| Total (n=) | 16              |                    |
| Unanswered | 0               |                    |

Table 46: Greek responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                                  | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Money                            | 6                          | 28.6 %                |
| Access to                        |                            |                       |
| <b>Organised Sports</b>          | 8                          | 38.1 %                |
| Leagues                          |                            |                       |
| Opportunities to                 | 3                          | 14.3 %                |
| Learn                            |                            |                       |
| Access to                        |                            |                       |
| <b>Equipment and</b>             | 4                          | 19.0 %                |
| Facilities                       |                            |                       |
| Other                            | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>             | 21                         |                       |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions | 11                         |                       |
| Unanswered                       | 5                          |                       |

Table 47: Greek responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 46.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| More Funding                           | 6                          | 22.2 %                |
| More Sports Organisations              | 5                          | 18.5 %                |
| Sports Organisations for Sports I like | 3                          | 11.1 %                |
| More Training                          | 5                          | 18.5 %                |
| Better Accessibility Support           | 8                          | 29.6 %                |
| Other                                  | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                   | 27                         |                       |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions       | 11                         |                       |
| Unanswered                             | 5                          |                       |

Table 48: Greek responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 47.

# 3.3 Greek Accessibility to Chess Activities

## **3.3.1** Accessibility to Chess Activities for all Greek People

Do you play chess?

|            | Number of Greek | % of Greek |
|------------|-----------------|------------|
|            | Answers         | Answers    |
| Yes        | 9               | 56.3 %     |
| No         | 7               | 43.8 %     |
| Total (n=) | 16              |            |
| Unanswered | 0               |            |

Table 49: Greek responses to "Do you play chess?".

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Greek | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
|            | Answers         |                       |
| Yes        | 2               | 22.2 %                |
| No         | 7               | 77.8 %                |
| Total (n=) | 9               |                       |
| Unanswered | 7               |                       |

Table 50: Greek responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                              | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Money                        | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| <b>Access to Organised</b>   | 1                          | 33.3 %                |
| Chess Leagues                | 1                          | 33.3 /0               |
| <b>Opportunities to Play</b> | 1                          | 33.3 %                |
| Chess with Others            | <u> </u>                   | 33.3 /0               |
| Opportunities to             | 1                          | 33.3 %                |
| Learn Chess                  |                            | 33.3 /0               |
| Other                        | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>         | 3                          |                       |
| <b>Total Participant</b>     | 2                          |                       |
| Submissions                  |                            |                       |
| Unanswered                   | 14                         |                       |

Table 51: Greek responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 50.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek Answers |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| More Funding                      | 1                          | 33.3 %             |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| More Training                     | 1                          | 33.3 %             |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 1                          | 33.3 %             |
| Other                             | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| <b>Total Answers</b>              | 3                          |                    |
| Total Participant Submissions     | 2                          |                    |
| Unanswered                        | 14                         |                    |

Table 52: Greek responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 51.

## 3.3.2 Accessibility to Chess Activities for the Polish Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Greek | % of Greek Answers |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|            | Answers         |                    |
| Yes        | 2               | 22.2 %             |
| No         | 7               | 77.8 %             |
| Total (n=) | 9               |                    |
| Unanswered | 7               |                    |

Table 53: Greek responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf or hard of hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?"

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|   | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Money                                   | 1                          | 33.3 %                |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues       | 1                          | 33.3 %                |
| Opportunities to Play Chess with Others | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess         | 1                          | 33.3 %                |
| Other                                   | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                    | 3                          |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions           | 2                          |                       |
| Unanswered                              | 14                         |                       |

Table 54: Greek responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 53.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| More Funding                      | 1                          | 50.0 %                |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| More Training                     | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 1                          | 50.0 %                |
| Other                             | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Total Answer                      | 2                          |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions     | 2                          |                       |
| Unanswered                        | 14                         |                       |

Table 55: Greek responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 54.

# 3.4 Greek Accessibility to Online Training

Have you ever taken online training?

|            | Number of Greek | % of Greek Answers |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|            | Answers         |                    |
| Yes        | 5               | 31.3 %             |
| No         | 11              | 68.8 %             |
| Total (n=) | 16              |                    |
| Unanswered | 0               |                    |

Table 56: Greek responses to "Have you ever taken online training?"

What were the best aspects of online training you have undertaken?

|   | Number of Greek Answers | % of Greek<br>Answers |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Translation in Sign<br>Language                               | 1                       | 14.3 %                |
| Clear Enough to<br>Understand (Even if<br>SL wasn't Provided) | 4                       | 57.1 %                |
| Right Length  | 2                       | 28.6 %                |
| Other   | 0                       | 0.0 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>  | 7                       |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions                                 | 5                       |                       |
| Unanswered  | 11                      |                       |

Table 57: Greek responses to "What were the best aspects?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 56.

The optimum lengths of training specified by two Greek participants were as follows:

- 45 50 minutes;
- 45 minutes.

What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?

|  | Number of Greek<br>Answers | % of Greek Answers |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|
| No Training in Sign<br>Language                        | 1                          | 16.7 %             |
| SL Explanation<br>Unclear / in a<br>Different Language | 1                          | 16.7 %             |
| No SL and Other<br>Contents wasn't<br>Understandable   | 1                          | 16.7 %             |
| Too Long   | 1                          | 16.7 %             |
| Too Short  | 1                          | 16.7 %             |
| Other  | 1                          | 16.7 %             |
| Total Answers  | 6                          |                    |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                       | 4                          |                    |
| Unanswered   | 12                         |                    |

Table 58: Greek responses to "What did not work well?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 56.

One Greek participant defined the following length of training as "Too Short":

• 45 – 50 minutes.

Another participant defined the following length of training as "Too Long":

• 90 minutes.

One "Other" aspect of online training that did not work well was defined as follows:

• The teaching provided was of poor quality and there was a lack of interactive features within the training.

# 4 Irish Results

# 4.1 Background Information

What best describes you?

|                 | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish<br>Answers |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Deaf Person     | 2                          | 25.0 %                |
| Hard of Hearing | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Non-Deaf Person | 6                          | 75.0 %                |
| Total (n=)      | 8                          |                       |
| Unanswered      | 0                          |                       |

Table 59: Irish responses to "What best describes you?", relating to whether participant is part of the Deaf community.

### Do you know sign language?

|                     | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish Answers |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
|                     |                            |                    |
| Yes, Fluent         | 2                          | 100.0 %            |
| Yes, Some Knowledge | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| No                  | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| Total (n=)          | 2                          |                    |
| Unanswered          | 6                          |                    |

Table 60: Irish responses to "do you know sign language?".

# 4.2 Irish Accessibility to Sporting Activities

## **4.2.1** Accessibility to Sporting Activities for all Irish People

What best describes your sporting activity?

|                                      | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish<br>Answers |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Play Sport Often                     | 4                          | 57.1 %                |
| Play Sport<br>Occasionally           | 3                          | 42.9 %                |
| Do not Play but<br>Engage with Sport | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Do not Play nor<br>Engage with Sport | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Total (n=)                           | 7                          |                       |
| Unanswered                           | 1                          |                       |

Table 61: Irish responses to "What best describes you?", relating to the participant's sporting activity.

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Irish | % of Irish Answers |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|            | Answers         |                    |
| Yes        | 6               | 75.0 %             |
| No         | 2               | 25.0 %             |
| Total (n=) | 8               |                    |
| Unanswered | 0               |                    |

Table 62: Irish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of Irish | % of Irish |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------|
|                      | Answers         | Answers    |
| Money                | 3               | 17.6 %     |
| Access to            |                 |            |
| Organised Sports     | 5               | 29.4 %     |
| Leagues              |                 |            |
| Opportunities to     | 5               | 29.4 %     |
| Learn                | J               | 25.4 /0    |
| Access to            |                 |            |
| Equipment and        | 3               | 17.6 %     |
| Facilities           |                 |            |
| Other                | 1               | 5.9 %      |
| <b>Total Answers</b> | 17              |            |
| Total Participant    | 6               |            |
| Submissions          | O               |            |
| Unanswered           | 2               |            |

Table 63: Irish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 62.

#### "Other" barrier identified:

 Lack of two-sided communication between the Deaf Community and their hearing peers. Increased utilisation of open communication would lead to greater understanding of the Deaf Community and their accessibility needs. This mutual comprehension of perspectives would increase socialisation and respect between individuals and organisations. What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish Answers |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|
| More Funding                           | 4                          | 40. %              |
| More Sports Organisations              | 1                          | 10.0%              |
| Sports Organisations for Sports I like | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| More Training                          | 1                          | 10.0 %             |
| Better Accessibility Support           | 4                          | 40.0 %             |
| Other                                  | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                   | 10                         |                    |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions       | 5                          |                    |
| Unanswered                             | 3                          |                    |

Table 64: Irish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 63.

# **4.2.2** Accessibility to Sporting Activities for the Irish Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Irish | % of Irish Answers |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|            | Answers         |                    |
| Yes        | 7               | 87.5 %             |
| No         | 1               | 12.5 %             |
| Total (n=) | 8               |                    |
| Unanswered | 0               |                    |

Table 65: Irish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish Answers |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Money                                    | 3                          | 21.4 %             |
| Access to Organised Sports Leagues       | 3                          | 21.4 %             |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn                | 6                          | 42.9 %             |
| Access to<br>Equipment and<br>Facilities | 1                          | 7.1 %              |
| Other                                    | 1                          | 7.1 %              |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                     | 14                         |                    |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions         | 6                          |                    |
| Unanswered                               | 2                          |                    |

Table 66: Irish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 65.

#### "Other" barrier identified:

• Deaf people are at a disadvantage because they can't hear what their trainer is saying to them. This barrier is particularly prominent in chess as you need to look at the board. Therefore, it's not possible to play and lipread at the same time.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish<br>Answers |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| More Funding                           | 3                          | 25.0 %                |
| More Sports Organisations              | 1                          | 8.3 %                 |
| Sports Organisations for Sports I like | 1                          | 8.3 %                 |
| More Training                          | 2                          | 16.7 %                |
| Better Accessibility Support           | 4                          | 33.3 %                |
| Other                                  | 1                          | 8.3 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                   | 12                         |                       |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions       | 6                          |                       |
| Unanswered                             | 2                          |                       |

Table 67: Irish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 66.

#### "Other" action identified:

• Investigate possibility of allowing Deaf people to wear special glasses. For chess, these glasses could perhaps allow the player to view the board whilst also watching their coach or signer.

# **4.3** Irish Accessibility to Chess Activities

# 4.3.1 Accessibility to Chess Activities for all Irish People

Do you play chess?

|            | Number of Irish | % of Irish Answers |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|            | Answers         |                    |
| Yes        | 5               | 62.5 %             |
| No         | 3               | 37.5 %             |
| Total (n=) | 8               |                    |
| Unanswered | 0               |                    |

Table 68: Irish responses to "Do you play chess?".

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Irish | % of Irish Answers |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|            | Answers         |                    |
| Yes        | 3               | 60.0 %             |
| No         | 2               | 40.0 %             |
| Total (n=) | 5               |                    |
| Unanswered | 3               |                    |

Table 69: Irish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|   | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish<br>Answers |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Money                                   | 2                          | 28.6 %                |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues       | 2                          | 28.6%                 |
| Opportunities to Play Chess with Others | 1                          | 14.3 %                |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess         | 1                          | 14.3 %                |
| Other                                   | 1                          | 14.3 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                    | 7                          |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions           | 3                          |                       |
| Unanswered                              | 5                          |                       |

Table 70: Irish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 69.

#### "Other" barrier identified:

• It was noted that a participant knew many Blind chess players, but not many Deaf or Hard of Hearing players. The reasons for this are unclear, but the phenomenon hints at the existence of barriers specific to the Deaf Community.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish Answers |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| More Funding                      | 2                          | 50.0 %             |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 1                          | 25.0 %             |
| More Training                     | 1                          | 25.0 %             |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| Other                             | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| <b>Total Answers</b>              | 4                          |                    |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions  | 3                          |                    |
| Unanswered                        | 5                          |                    |

Table 71: Irish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 70.

## 4.3.2 Accessibility to Chess Activities for the Irish Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Irish | % of Irish |
|------------|-----------------|------------|
|            | Answers         | Answers    |
| Yes        | 2               | 40.0 %     |
| No         | 3               | 60.0 %     |
| Total (n=) | 5               |            |
| Unanswered | 3               |            |

Table 72: Irish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf or hard of hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?"

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish Answers |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Money                                      | 1                          | 25.0 %             |
| Access to Organised<br>Chess Leagues       | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 2                          | 50.0 %             |
| Other                                      | 1                          | 25.0 %             |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                       | 4                          |                    |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions           | 2                          |                    |
| Unanswered                                 | 6                          |                    |

Table 73: Irish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 72.

### "Other" barrier identified:

• Those who were born deaf can only read chess materials in a language which is not their first language.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                      | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish Answers |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| More Funding                         | 2                          | 50.0 %             |
| Creating more Chess<br>Organisations | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| More Training                        | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| Better Accessibility Support         | 1                          | 25.0 %             |
| Other                                | 1                          | 25.0 %             |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                 | 4                          |                    |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions     | 3                          |                    |
| Unanswered                           | 5                          |                    |

Table 74: Irish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 73.

#### "Other" action identified:

• More awareness among the deaf community. It was identified that there are already "many great non audio based training resources available". The website chess.com was identified as an example resource.

# 4.4 Irish Accessibility to Online Training

Have you ever taken online training?

|            | Number of Irish | % of Irish |
|------------|-----------------|------------|
|            | Answers         | Answers    |
| Yes        | 1               | 33.3 %     |
| No         | 2               | 66.7 %     |
| Total (n=) | 3               |            |
| Unanswered | 5               |            |

Table 75: Irish responses to "Have you ever taken online training?"

What were the best aspects of online training you have undertaken?

|                          | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish<br>Answers |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Translation in Sign      | 1                          | 100.0 %               |
| Language                 |                            |                       |
| Clear Enough to          |                            |                       |
| Understand (Even if      | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| SL wasn't Provided)      |                            |                       |
| Right Length             | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Other                    | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Total Answers            | 1                          |                       |
| <b>Total Participant</b> | 1                          |                       |
| Submissions              |                            |                       |
| Unanswered               | 7                          |                       |

Table 76: Irish responses to "What were the best aspects?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 75.

What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?

|  | Number of Irish<br>Answers | % of Irish Answers |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|
| No Training in Sign<br>Language                      | 1                          | 100.0 %            |
| SL Explanation Unclear / in a Different Language     | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| No SL and Other<br>Contents wasn't<br>Understandable | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| Too Long   | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| Too Short  | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| Other  | 0                          | 0.0 %              |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                                 | 1                          |                    |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                     | 1                          |                    |
| Unanswered   | 7                          |                    |

Table 77: Irish responses to "What did not work well?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 75.

# 5 Italian Results

# **5.1** Background Information

What best describes you?

|                 | Number of Italian | % of Italian |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                 | Answers           | Answers      |
| Deaf Person     | 5                 | 31.3 %       |
| Hard of Hearing | 0                 | 0.0%         |
| Non-Deaf Person | 11                | 68.8 %       |
| Total (n=)      | 16                |              |
| Unanswered      | 0                 |              |

Table 78: Italian responses to "What best describes you?", relating to whether participant is part of the Deaf community.

### Do you know sign language?

|                     | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|---------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Yes, Fluent         | 3                            | 75.0 %               |
| Yes, Some Knowledge | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| No                  | 1                            | 25.0 %               |
| Total (n=)          | 4                            |                      |
| Unanswered          | 12                           |                      |

Table 79: Italian responses to "do you know sign language?".

# **5.2** Italian Accessibility to Sporting Activities

## **5.2.1** Accessibility to Sporting Activities for all Italian People

What best describes your sporting activity?

|                                      | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Play Sport Often                     | 1                            | 6.3 %                |
| Play Sport<br>Occasionally           | 8                            | 50.0 %               |
| Do not Play but<br>Engage with Sport | 3                            | 18.8 %               |
| Do not Play nor<br>Engage with Sport | 4                            | 25.0 %               |
| Total (n=)                           | 16                           |                      |
| Unanswered                           | 0                            |                      |

Table 80: Italian responses to "What best describes you?", relating to the participant's sporting activity.

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Italian | % of Italian Answers |
|------------|-------------------|----------------------|
|            | Answers           |                      |
| Yes        | 11                | 68.8 %               |
| No         | 5                 | 31.3 %               |
| Total (n=) | 16                |                      |
| Unanswered | 0                 |                      |

Table 81: Italian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

# |ITALY|

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                          | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Money                    | 2                            | 10.5 %               |
| Access to                |                              |                      |
| <b>Organised Sports</b>  | 3                            | 15.8 %               |
| Leagues                  |                              |                      |
| <b>Opportunities to</b>  | 4                            | 21.1 %               |
| Learn                    |                              | 21.1 /0              |
| Access to                |                              |                      |
| <b>Equipment and</b>     | 10                           | 52.8 %               |
| Facilities               |                              |                      |
| Other                    | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>     | 19                           |                      |
| <b>Total Participant</b> | 11                           |                      |
| Submissions              | 11                           |                      |
| Unanswered               | 5                            |                      |

Table 82: Italian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 81.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of Italian | % of Italian |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                      | Answers           | Answers      |
| More Funding         | 4                 | 21.1 %       |
| More Sports          | 2                 | 10.5 %       |
| Organisations        | 2                 | 10.5 /0      |
| Sports               |                   |              |
| Organisations for    | 0                 | 0.0 %        |
| Sports I like        |                   |              |
| More Training        | 3                 | 15.6 %       |
| Better Accessibility | 10                | 52.6 %       |
| Support              | 10                | J2.0 /0      |
| Other                | 0                 | 0.0 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b> | 19                |              |
| Total Participant    | 11                |              |
| Submissions          | 11                |              |
| Unanswered           | 5                 |              |

Table 83: Italian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 82.

# **5.2.2** Accessibility to Sporting Activities for the Italian Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Italian Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Yes        | 15                        | 93.8 %               |
| No         | 1                         | 6.3 %                |
| Total (n=) | 16                        |                      |
| Unanswered | 0                         |                      |

Table 84: Italian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

## |ITALY|

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|--|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Money                                    | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| Access to<br>Organised Sports<br>Leagues | 1                            | 5.9 %                |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn                | 3                            | 17.6 %               |
| Access to<br>Equipment and<br>Facilities | 11                           | 64.7 %               |
| Other                                    | 2                            | 11.8 %               |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                     | 17                           |                      |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions         | 15                           |                      |
| Unanswered                               | 1                            |                      |

Table 85: Italian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 84.

## "Other" barrier identified:

• Communication is not accessible between Deaf people and their hearing peers.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of Italian | % of Italian |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                      | Answers           | Answers      |
| More Funding         | 2                 | 11.1 %       |
| More Sports          | 0                 | 0.0 %        |
| Organisations        | 0                 | 0.0 70       |
| Sports               |                   |              |
| Organisations for    | 0                 | 0.0 %        |
| Sports I like        |                   |              |
| More Training        | 4                 | 22.2 %       |
| Better Accessibility | 12                | 66.7 %       |
| Support              | 12                | 00.7 /0      |
| Other                | 0                 | 0.0 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b> | 18                |              |
| Total Participant    | 15                |              |
| Submissions          | 12                |              |
| Unanswered           | 1                 |              |

Table 86: Italian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 85.

# 5.3 Italian Accessibility to Chess Activities

# **5.3.1** Accessibility to Chess Activities for all Italian People

Do you play chess?

|            | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian<br>Answers |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Yes        | 7                            | 43.8%                   |
| No         | 9                            | 56.3 %                  |
| Total (n=) | 16                           |                         |
| Unanswered | 0                            |                         |

Table 87: Italian responses to "Do you play chess?".

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian<br>Answers |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Yes        | 2                            | 28.6 %                  |
| No         | 5                            | 71.4 %                  |
| Total (n=) | 7                            |                         |
| Unanswered | 9                            |                         |

Table 88: Italian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                              | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Money                        | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| <b>Access to Organised</b>   | 2                            | 66.7 %               |
| Chess Leagues                |                              | 00.7 70              |
| <b>Opportunities to Play</b> | 1                            | 33.3 %               |
| Chess with Others            |                              | 33.3 /0              |
| Opportunities to             | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| Learn Chess                  |                              | 0.0 70               |
| Other                        | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>         | 3                            |                      |
| <b>Total Participant</b>     | 2                            |                      |
| Submissions                  |                              |                      |
| Unanswered                   | 14                           |                      |

Table 89: Italian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 88.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                      | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| More Funding                         | 1                            | 25.0 %               |
| Creating more Chess<br>Organisations | 2                            | 50.0 %               |
| More Training                        | 1                            | 25.0 %               |
| Better Accessibility Support         | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| Other                                | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                 | 4                            |                      |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions     | 2                            |                      |
| Unanswered                           | 14                           |                      |

Table 90: Italian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned Table 89

## 5.3.2 Accessibility to Chess Activities for the Italian Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
|            |                              |                      |
| Yes        | 2                            | 28.6 %               |
| No         | 5                            | 71.4 %               |
| Total (n=) | 7                            |                      |
| Unanswered | 9                            |                      |

Table 91: Italian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf or hard of hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?"

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian<br>Answers |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Money                                      | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues          | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 1                            | 50.0 %                  |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 1                            | 50.0 %                  |
| Other                                      | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                       | 2                            |                         |
| Total Participant Submissions              | 1                            |                         |
| Unanswered                                 | 15                           |                         |

Table 92: Italian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 91.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                      | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian<br>Answers |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| More Funding                         | 2                            | 50.0 %                  |
| Creating more Chess<br>Organisations | 1                            | 25.0 %                  |
| More Training                        | 1                            | 25.0 %                  |
| Better Accessibility Support         | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Other                                | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                 | 4                            |                         |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions     | 2                            |                         |
| Unanswered                           | 14                           |                         |

Table 93: Italian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 92.

# 5.4 Italian Accessibility to Online Training

Have you ever taken online training?

|            | Number of Italian | % of Italian Answers |
|------------|-------------------|----------------------|
|            | Answers           |                      |
| Yes        | 2                 | 40.0 %               |
| No         | 3                 | 60.0 %               |
| Total (n=) | 5                 |                      |
| Unanswered | 11                |                      |

Table 94: Italian responses to "Have you ever taken online training?"

What were the best aspects of online training you have undertaken?

|   | Number of Italian Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Translation in Sign<br>Language                               | 2                         | 66.7 %               |
| Clear Enough to<br>Understand (Even if<br>SL wasn't Provided) | 0                         | 0.0 %                |
| Right Length  | 1                         | 33.3 %               |
| Other   | 0                         | 0.0 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>  | 3                         |                      |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                              | 2                         |                      |
| Unanswered  | 14                        |                      |

Table 95: Italian responses to "What were the best aspects?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 94.

No optimum length of training was specified by an Italian participant.

What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?

|  | Number of Italian<br>Answers | % of Italian Answers |
|--|------------------------------|----------------------|
| No Training in Sign<br>Language                      | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| SL Explanation Unclear / in a Different Language     | 1                            | 50.0 %               |
| No SL and Other<br>Contents wasn't<br>Understandable | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| Too Long<br>Too Short                                | 0                            | 50.0 %<br>0.0 %      |
| Other  | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| Total Answers  | 2                            |                      |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                     | 2                            |                      |
| Unanswered   | 14                           |                      |

Table 96: Italian responses to "What did not work well?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 94.

No further clarification was given by an Italian participant regarding the training time that was defined as "Too Long".

# 6 Polish Results

# **6.1** Background Information

What best describes you?

|                 | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish Answers |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
|                 |                             |                     |
| Deaf Person     | 31                          | 77.5 %              |
| Hard of Hearing | 7                           | 17.5%               |
| Non-Deaf Person | 2                           | 5.0 %               |
| Total (n=)      | 40                          |                     |
| Unanswered      | 0                           |                     |

Table 97: Polish responses to "What best describes you?", relating to whether participant is part of the Deaf community.

### Do you know sign language?

|                     | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish Answers |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Yes, Fluent         | 34                          | 89.5 %              |
| Yes, Some Knowledge | 4                           | 10.5 %              |
| No                  | 0                           | 0.0 %               |
| Total (n=)          | 38                          |                     |
| Unanswered          | 2                           |                     |

Table 98: Polish responses to "do you know sign language?".

# **6.2** Polish Accessibility to Sporting Activities

## **6.2.1** Accessibility to Sporting Activities for all Polish People

What best describes your sporting activity?

|                                      | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish<br>Answers |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Play Sport Often                     | 15                          | 37.5 %                 |
| Play Sport<br>Occasionally           | 10                          | 25.0 %                 |
| Do not Play but<br>Engage with Sport | 5                           | 12.5 %                 |
| Do not Play nor<br>Engage with Sport | 10                          | 25.0 %                 |
| Total (n=)                           | 40                          |                        |
| Unanswered                           | 0                           |                        |

Table 99: Polish responses to "What best describes you?", relating to the participant's sporting activity.

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Polish | % of Polish Answers |
|------------|------------------|---------------------|
|            | Answers          |                     |
| Yes        | 25               | 62.5 %              |
| No         | 15               | 37.5 %              |
| Total (n=) | 40               |                     |
| Unanswered | 0                |                     |

Table 100: Polish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                          | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish Answers |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Money                    | 16                          | 26.7 %              |
| Access to                |                             |                     |
| <b>Organised Sports</b>  | 15                          | 25.0 %              |
| Leagues                  |                             |                     |
| Opportunities to         | 14                          | 23.3 %              |
| Learn                    | 14                          | 23.3 //             |
| Access to                |                             |                     |
| <b>Equipment and</b>     | 14                          | 23.3 %              |
| Facilities               |                             |                     |
| Other                    | 1                           | 1.7 %               |
| <b>Total Answers</b>     | 60                          |                     |
| <b>Total Participant</b> | 25                          |                     |
| Submissions              | 23                          |                     |
| Unanswered               | 15                          |                     |

Table 101: Polish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 100.

## "Other" barrier identified:

• A lack of free time due to work and personal life leaves little availability in the day to play sports.

### |POLAND|

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of Polish | % of Polish |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------|
|                      | Answers          | Answers     |
| More Funding         | 15               | 19.7 %      |
| More Sports          | 15               | 19.7 %      |
| Organisations        |                  | 15.7 70     |
| Sports               |                  |             |
| Organisations for    | 14               | 18.4 %      |
| Sports I like        |                  |             |
| More Training        | 12               | 15.8 %      |
| Better Accessibility | 18               | 23.7 %      |
| Support              | 10               | 23.7 /0     |
| Other                | 2                | 2.6 %       |
| <b>Total Answers</b> | 78               |             |
| Total Participant    | 25               |             |
| Submissions          |                  |             |
| Unanswered           | 15               |             |

Table 102: Polish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 101.

### "Other" action identified:

• Make more sporting activities available.

## **6.2.2** Accessibility to Sporting Activities for the Polish Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish<br>Answers |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Yes        | 26                          | 65.0 %                 |
| No         | 14                          | 35.0 %                 |
| Total (n=) | 40                          |                        |
| Unanswered | 0                           |                        |

Table 103: Polish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                         | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish<br>Answers |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Money                   | 14                          | 23.7 %                 |
| Access to               |                             |                        |
| <b>Organised Sports</b> | 10                          | 16.9 %                 |
| Leagues                 |                             |                        |
| Opportunities to        | 18                          | 20 E 9/                |
| Learn                   | 10                          | 30.5 %                 |
| Access to               |                             |                        |
| <b>Equipment and</b>    | 14                          | 23.7 %                 |
| Facilities              |                             |                        |
| Other                   | 3                           | 5.1 %                  |
| Total Answers           | 59                          |                        |
| Total Participant       | 25                          |                        |
| Submissions             |                             |                        |
| Unanswered              | 15                          |                        |

Table 104: Polish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 103.

#### "Other" barriers identified:

- Lack of qualified trainers possessing sing language skills. Lack of integration among Deaf and hearing sportspeople;
- Lack of information and/or centres that can organise sporting activities for Deaf people. Additionally, there is a lack of sign language interpreters;
- Poor organisation of activities.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of Polish | % of Polish |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------|
|                      | Answers          | Answers     |
| More Funding         | 14               | 19.4 %      |
| More Sports          | 10               | 13.9 %      |
| Organisations        | 10               | 15.5 //     |
| Sports               |                  |             |
| Organisations for    | 12               | 16.7 %      |
| Sports I like        |                  |             |
| More Training        | 14               | 19.4 %      |
| Better Accessibility | 20               | 27.8 %      |
| Support              | 20               | 27.8 /0     |
| Other                | 2                | 2.8 %       |
| <b>Total Answers</b> | 72               |             |
| Total Participant    | 25               |             |
| Submissions          | 25               |             |
| Unanswered           | 15               |             |

Table 105: Polish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table

#### "Other" action identified:

• Popularise the information about sport for the Deaf people in the media, and spread information showing that Deaf people can participate in sports in an equal manner to their hearing peers.

# **6.3** Polish Accessibility to Chess Activities

# **6.3.1** Accessibility to Chess Activities for all Polish People

Do you play chess?

|            | Number of Polish | % of Polish Answers |
|------------|------------------|---------------------|
|            | Answers          |                     |
| Yes        | 25               | 62.5 %              |
| No         | 15               | 37.5 %              |
| Total (n=) | 40               |                     |
| Unanswered | 0                |                     |

Table 106: Polish responses to "Do you play chess?".

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Polish | % of Polish Answers |
|------------|------------------|---------------------|
|            | Answers          |                     |
| Yes        | 12               | 48.0 %              |
| No         | 13               | 52.0 %              |
| Total (n=) | 25               |                     |
| Unanswered | 15               |                     |

Table 107: Polish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish<br>Answers |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Money                                      | 4                           | 16.0 %                 |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues          | 7                           | 28.0 %                 |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 7                           | 28.0 %                 |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 6                           | 24.0 %                 |
| Other                                      | 1                           | 4.0 %                  |
| Total Answers                              | 25                          |                        |
| Total Participant Submissions              | 10                          |                        |
| Unanswered                                 | 30                          |                        |

Table 108: Polish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 107.

### "Other" barrier identified:

• Trainers do not know sign language, and Deaf people do not understand text in the training books.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish Answers |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| More Funding                      | 7                           | 28.0 %              |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 4                           | 16.0 %              |
| More Training                     | 7                           | 28.0 %              |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 6                           | 24.0 %              |
| Other                             | 1                           | 4.0 %               |
| Total Answers                     | 25                          |                     |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions  | 10                          |                     |
| Unanswered                        | 30                          |                     |

Table 109: Polish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 108.

#### "Other" action identified:

• Educate trainers in sign language.

### **6.3.2** Accessibility to Chess Activities for the Polish Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Polish | % of Polish Answers |
|------------|------------------|---------------------|
|            | Answers          |                     |
| Yes        | 15               | 60.0 %              |
| No         | 10               | 40.0 %              |
| Total (n=) | 25               |                     |
| Unanswered | 15               |                     |

Table 110: Polish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf or hard of hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?"

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish Answers |
|--|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Money                                      | 4                           | 12.9 %              |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues          | 5                           | 16.1 %              |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 9                           | 29.0 %              |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 12                          | 38.7 %              |
| Other                                      | 1                           | 3.2 %               |
| Total Answers                              | 31                          |                     |
| Total Participant Submissions              | 16                          |                     |
| Unanswered                                 | 24                          |                     |

Table 111: Polish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 110.

### "Other" barrier identified:

• Trainers aren't educated in sign language.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish Answers |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| More Funding                      | 5                           | 16.1 %              |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 6                           | 19.4 %              |
| More Training                     | 10                          | 32.3 %              |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 10                          | 32.3 %              |
| Other                             | 0                           | 0.0 %               |
| Total Answers                     | 31                          |                     |
| Total Participant Submissions     | 14                          |                     |
| Unanswered                        | 26                          |                     |

Table 112: Polish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 111.

# **6.4** Polish Accessibility to Online Training

Have you ever taken online training?

|            | Number of Polish | % of Polish |
|------------|------------------|-------------|
|            | Answers          | Answers     |
| Yes        | 10               | 26.3 %      |
| No         | 28               | 73.7 %      |
| Total (n=) | 38               |             |
| Unanswered | 2                |             |

Table 113: Polish responses to "Have you ever taken online training?"

What were the best aspects of online training you have undertaken?

|  | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish Answers |
|--|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Translation in Sign                    | 8                           | 61.5 %              |
| Language                               |                             |                     |
| Clear Enough to<br>Understand (Even if | 5                           | 38.5 %              |
| SL wasn't Provided)                    |                             | 36.3 70             |
| Right Length                           | 0                           | 0.0 %               |
| Other                                  | 0                           | 0.0 %               |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                   | 13                          |                     |
| Total Participant                      | 22                          |                     |
| Submissions                            |                             |                     |
| Unanswered                             | 18                          |                     |

Table 114: Polish responses to "What were the best aspects?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 113.

What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?

|                      | Number of Polish<br>Answers | % of Polish<br>Answers |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| No Training in Sign  | 5                           | 38.5 %                 |
| Language             |                             |                        |
| SL Explanation       |                             |                        |
| Unclear / in a       | 5                           | 38.5 %                 |
| Different Language   |                             |                        |
| No SL and Other      |                             |                        |
| Contents wasn't      | 1                           | 7.7 %                  |
| Understandable       |                             |                        |
| Too Long             | 0                           | 0.0 %                  |
| Too Short            | 1                           | 7.7 %                  |
| Other                | 1                           | 7.7 %                  |
| <b>Total Answers</b> | 13                          |                        |
| Total Participant    | 9                           |                        |
| Submissions          | 9                           |                        |
| Unanswered           | 31                          |                        |

Table 115: Polish responses to "What did not work well?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 113.

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No further clarification was given by a Polish participant regarding the training time that was defined as "Too Short".

One "Other" aspect of online training that didn't work well was stated as follows:

• The training was of a poor quality.

# 7 Romanian Results

# 7.1 Background Information

What best describes you?

|                 | Number of Romanian<br>Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
|                 |                               |                       |
| Deaf Person     | 11                            | 36.7 %                |
| Hard of Hearing | 17                            | 56.7 %                |
| Non-Deaf Person | 2                             | 6.7 %                 |
| Total (n=)      | 30                            |                       |
| Unanswered      | 0                             |                       |

Table 116: Romanian responses to "What best describes you?", relating to whether participant is part of the Deaf community.

### Do you know sign language?

|                     | Number of<br>Romanian Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Yes, Fluent         | 25                            | 89.3 %                |
| Yes, Some Knowledge | 1                             | 3.6 %                 |
| No                  | 2                             | 7.1 %                 |
| Total (n=)          | 28                            |                       |
| Unanswered          | 2                             |                       |

Table 117: Romanian responses to "do you know sign language?".

## 7.2 Romanian Accessibility to Sporting Activities

### 7.2.1 Accessibility to Sporting Activities for all Romanian People

What best describes your sporting activity?

|                                      | Number of Romanian<br>Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Play Sport Often                     | 17                            | 56.7 %                |
| Play Sport<br>Occasionally           | 7                             | 23.3 %                |
| Do not Play but<br>Engage with Sport | 4                             | 13.3 %                |
| Do not Play nor<br>Engage with Sport | 2                             | 6.7 %                 |
| Total (n=)                           | 30                            |                       |
| Unanswered                           | 0                             |                       |

Table 118: Romanian responses to "What best describes you?", relating to the participant's sporting activity.

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of        | % of Romanian |
|------------|------------------|---------------|
|            | Romanian Answers | Answers       |
| Yes        | 20               | 66.7 %        |
| No         | 10               | 33.3 %        |
| Total (n=) | 30               |               |
| Unanswered | 0                |               |

Table 119: Romanian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

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What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                         | Number of Romanian Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Money                   | 16                         | 72.7 %                |
| Access to               |                            |                       |
| <b>Organised Sports</b> | 2                          | 9.1 %                 |
| Leagues                 |                            |                       |
| <b>Opportunities to</b> | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Learn                   | <u> </u>                   | 0.0 /6                |
| Access to               |                            |                       |
| <b>Equipment and</b>    | 2                          | 9.1 %                 |
| Facilities              |                            |                       |
| Other                   | 2                          | 9.1 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>    | 22                         |                       |
| Total Participant       | 19                         |                       |
| Submissions             |                            |                       |
| Unanswered              | 11                         |                       |

Table 120: Romanian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 119.

No "Other" barriers identified.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of        | % of Romanian |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                      | Romanian Answers | Answers       |
| More Funding         | 10               | 26.3 %        |
| More Sports          | 15               | 39.5 %        |
| Organisations        |                  |               |
| Sports               |                  |               |
| Organisations for    | 5                | 13.2 %        |
| Sports I like        |                  |               |
| More Training        | 4                | 10.5 %        |
| Better Accessibility | 4                | 10.5 %        |
| Support              |                  | 10.5 /0       |
| Other                | 0                | 0.0%          |
| Total Answers        | 38               |               |
| Total Participant    | 19               |               |
| Submissions          | 19               |               |
| Unanswered           | 11               |               |

Table 121: Romanian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 120.

### 7.2.2 Accessibility to Sporting Activities for the Romanian Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of        | % of Romanian Answers |
|------------|------------------|-----------------------|
|            | Romanian Answers |                       |
| Yes        | 24               | 82.8 %                |
| No         | 5                | 17.2 %                |
| Total (n=) | 29               |                       |
| Unanswered | 1                |                       |

Table 122: Romanian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                         | Number of        | % of Romanian |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                         | Romanian Answers | Answers       |
| Money                   | 21               | 56.8 %        |
| Access to               |                  |               |
| <b>Organised Sports</b> | 2                | 5.4 %         |
| Leagues                 |                  |               |
| <b>Opportunities to</b> | 2                | 5.4 %         |
| Learn                   |                  | J.4 /0        |
| Access to               |                  |               |
| <b>Equipment and</b>    | 7                | 18.9 %        |
| Facilities              |                  |               |
| Other                   | 6                | 13.5 %        |
| <b>Total Answers</b>    | 37               |               |
| Total Participant       | 23               |               |
| Submissions             |                  |               |
| Unanswered              | 7                |               |

Table 123: Romanian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 124.

### "Other" barriers identified:

- Three participants stated that there is no national sports association for Deaf people in Romania;
- There is a lack of the appropriate facilities and a lack of money to produce required facilities.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of        | % of Romanian |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                      | Romanian Answers | Answers       |
| More Funding         | 17               | 36.2 %        |
| More Sports          | 12               | 25.5 %        |
| Organisations        | 12               |               |
| Sports               |                  |               |
| Organisations for    | 7                | 14.9 %        |
| Sports I like        |                  |               |
| More Training        | 4                | 8.5 %         |
| Better Accessibility | 5                | 10.6 %        |
| Support              | J                | 10.0 /0       |
| Other                | 2                | 4.3 %         |
| <b>Total Answers</b> | 47               |               |
| Total Participant    | 23               |               |
| Submissions          |                  |               |
| Unanswered           | 7                |               |

Table 124: Romanian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 123.

#### "Other" action identified:

• Amendment of the Romanian legislation to allow establishment of a national sports association for the Deaf.

# 7.3 Romanian Accessibility to Chess Activities

## 7.3.1 Accessibility to Chess Activities for all Romanian People

Do you play chess?

|            | Number of Romanian Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Yes        | 23                         | 79.3 %                |
| No         | 6                          | 20.7 %                |
| Total (n=) | 29                         |                       |
| Unanswered | 1                          |                       |

Table 125: Romanian responses to "Do you play chess?".

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of        | % of Romanian |
|------------|------------------|---------------|
|            | Romanian Answers | Answers       |
| Yes        | 16               | 69.6 %        |
| No         | 7                | 30.4 %        |
| Total (n=) | 23               |               |
| Unanswered | 7                |               |

Table 126: Romanian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of<br>Romanian<br>Answers | % of Romanian<br>Answers |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Money                                      | 14                               | 73.7 %                   |
| Access to Organised<br>Chess Leagues       | 3                                | 15.8 %                   |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 1                                | 5.3 %                    |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 1                                | 5.3 %                    |
| Other                                      | 0                                | 0.0 %                    |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                       | 19                               |                          |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions           | 15                               |                          |
| Unanswered                                 | 15                               |                          |

Table 127: Romanian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 126.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of Romanian Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| More Funding                      | 9                          | 42.9 %                |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 7                          | 33.3 %                |
| More Training                     | 2                          | 9.5 %                 |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 3                          | 14.3 %                |
| Other                             | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>              | 21                         |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions     | 14                         |                       |
| Unanswered                        | 16                         |                       |

Table 128: Romanian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 127

### 7.3.2 Accessibility to Chess Activities for the Romanian Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of        | % of Romanian |
|------------|------------------|---------------|
|            | Romanian Answers | Answers       |
| Yes        | 16               | 76.2 %        |
| No         | 5                | 23.8 %        |
| Total (n=) | 21               |               |
| Unanswered | 9                |               |

Table 129: Romanian responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf or hard of hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?"

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|   | Number of Romanian Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Money                                   | 13                         | 68.4 %                |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues       | 3                          | 15.8 %                |
| Opportunities to Play Chess with Others | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess         | 1                          | 5.3 %                 |
| Other                                   | 2                          | 10.5 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                    | 19                         |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions           | 13                         |                       |
| Unanswered                              | 17                         |                       |

Table 130: Romanian responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 129.

#### "Other" barriers identified:

 The lack of promotion of the sports of the mind, such as chess, in schools for Deaf people; • At the moment there is no chess federation for the Deaf Community in Romania. An appropriate federation must be set up.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of Romanian Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| More Funding                      | 9                          | 45.0 %                |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 8                          | 40.0 %                |
| More Training                     | 1                          | 5.0 %                 |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 2                          | 10.0 %                |
| Other                             | 0                          | 0.0 %                 |
| Total Answers                     | 20                         |                       |
| Total Participant Submissions     | 13                         |                       |
| Unanswered                        | 17                         |                       |

Table 131: Romanian responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 130.

# 7.4 Romanian Accessibility to Online Training

Have you ever taken online training?

|            | Number of        | % of Romanian |
|------------|------------------|---------------|
|            | Romanian Answers | Answers       |
| Yes        | 14               | 56.0 %        |
| No         | 11               | 44.0 %        |
| Total (n=) | 25               |               |
| Unanswered | 5                |               |

Table 132: Romanian responses to "Have you ever taken online training?"

What were the best aspects of online training you have undertaken?

|   | Number of<br>Romanian<br>Answers | % of Romanian<br>Answers |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Translation in Sign<br>Language                               | 8                                | 72.7 %                   |
| Clear Enough to<br>Understand (Even if<br>SL wasn't Provided) | 3                                | 27.3 %                   |
| Right Length  | 0                                | 0.0 %                    |
| Other   | 0                                | 0.0 %                    |
| <b>Total Answers</b>  | 11                               |                          |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                              | 11                               |                          |
| Unanswered  | 19                               |                          |

Table 133: Romanian responses to "What were the best aspects?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 132.

What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?

|  | Number of<br>Romanian Answers | % of Romanian Answers |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| No Training in Sign<br>Language                      | 5                             | 38.5 %                |
| SL Explanation Unclear / in a Different Language     | 2                             | 15.4 %                |
| No SL and Other<br>Contents wasn't<br>Understandable | 4                             | 30.8 %                |
| Too Long   | 1                             | 7.7 %                 |
| Too Short  | 0                             | 0.0 %                 |
| Other  | 1                             | 7.7 %                 |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                                 | 13                            |                       |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                     | 10                            |                       |
| Unanswered   | 20                            |                       |

Table 134: Romanian responses to "What did not work well?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 132.

## |ROMANIA|

No further clarification was given by a Romanian participant regarding the training time that was defined as "Too Long".

One "Other" aspect of online training that didn't work well was stated as follows:

• Lack of support for those who are Hard of Hearing.

# 8 Turkish Results

# 8.1 Background Information

What best describes you?

|                 | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                 |                              |                         |
| Deaf Person     | 10                           | 38.5 %                  |
| Hard of Hearing | 11                           | 42.3 %                  |
| Non-Deaf Person | 5                            | 19.2 %                  |
| Total (n=)      | 26                           |                         |
| Unanswered      | 0                            |                         |

Table 135: Turkish responses to "What best describes you?", relating to whether participant is part of the Deaf community.

### Do you know sign language?

|                     | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Yes, Fluent         | 9                            | 42.9 %                  |
| Yes, Some Knowledge | 8                            | 38.1 %                  |
| No                  | 4                            | 19.0 %                  |
| Total (n=)          | 21                           |                         |
| Unanswered          | 5                            |                         |

Table 136: Turkish responses to "do you know sign language?".

# **8.2** Turkish Accessibility to Sporting Activities

### **8.2.1** Accessibility to Sporting Activities for all Turkish People

What best describes your sporting activity?

|                                      | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Play Sport Often                     | 8                            | 30.8 %                  |
| Play Sport<br>Occasionally           | 9                            | 34.6 %                  |
| Do not Play but<br>Engage with Sport | 3                            | 11.5 %                  |
| Do not Play nor<br>Engage with Sport | 6                            | 23.1 %                  |
| Total (n=)                           | 26                           |                         |
| Unanswered                           | 0                            |                         |

Table 137: Turkish responses to "What best describes you?", relating to the participant's sporting activity.

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Turkish | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
|            | Answers           |                         |
| Yes        | 21                | 80.8 %                  |
| No         | 5                 | 19.2 %                  |
| Total (n=) | 26                |                         |
| Unanswered | 0                 |                         |

Table 138: Turkish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                          | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Money                    | 4                            | 11.8 %                  |
| Access to                |                              |                         |
| <b>Organised Sports</b>  | 7                            | 20.6 %                  |
| Leagues                  |                              |                         |
| <b>Opportunities to</b>  | 4                            | 11.8 %                  |
| Learn                    | 4                            | 11.0 /0                 |
| Access to                |                              |                         |
| <b>Equipment and</b>     | 16                           | 47.1 %                  |
| Facilities               |                              |                         |
| Other                    | 3                            | 8.8 %                   |
| <b>Total Answers</b>     | 34                           |                         |
| <b>Total Participant</b> | 21                           |                         |
| Submissions              |                              |                         |
| Unanswered               | 5                            |                         |

Table 139: Turkish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 138.

### "Other" barriers identified:

- People do not have time to fit sporting activities around their career;
- People do not think sport is important.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|  | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| More Funding                           | 5                            | 12.5 %                  |
| More Sports Organisations              | 9                            | 22.5 %                  |
| Sports Organisations for Sports I like | 5                            | 12.5 %                  |
| More Training                          | 4                            | 10.0 %                  |
| Better Accessibility Support           | 15                           | 37.5 %                  |
| Other                                  | 2                            | 5.0 %                   |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                   | 40                           |                         |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions       | 21                           |                         |
| Unanswered                             | 5                            |                         |

Table 140: Turkish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 139.

#### "Other" actions identified:

- Two participants suggested that more information regarding the importance of sport should be distributed;
- People should be encouraged to participate in sporting activities in schools and workplaces.

### 8.2.2 Accessibility to Sporting Activities for the Turkish Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|            | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Yes        | 26                           | 100.0 %                 |
| No         | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Total (n=) | 26                           |                         |
| Unanswered | 0                            |                         |

Table 141: Turkish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sport activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Money                | 12                           | 14.1 %                  |
| Access to            |                              |                         |
| Organised Sports     | 23                           | 27.1 %                  |
| Leagues              |                              |                         |
| Opportunities to     | 21                           | 24.7 %                  |
| Learn                | 21                           | 27.7 /0                 |
| Access to            |                              |                         |
| <b>Equipment and</b> | 22                           | 25.9 %                  |
| Facilities           |                              |                         |
| Other                | 7                            | 8.2 %                   |
| <b>Total Answers</b> | 85                           |                         |
| Total Participant    | 21                           |                         |
| Submissions          |                              |                         |
| Unanswered           | 1                            |                         |

Table 142: Turkish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 141.

#### "Other" barriers identified:

- People who are Hard of Hearing or Deaf are not encouraged to participate in sporting activities;
- There is a lack of awareness regarding difficulties faced by Deaf and Hard of Hearing people when taking part in sporting activities. The resultant lack of self-esteem of these individuals becomes a barrier;
- There is societal pressure on the Deaf community. This is due to many people being of the opinion that those with disabilities cannot participate in sport. This leads to social exclusion and a lack of self-esteem;
- There is a deficiency of social support to motivate people with disabilities to participate in sports;
- Social exclusion;
- Lack of civil society organisations (CSOs) to bring Deaf and Hard of Hearing people together. This results in a lack of communication withing the Deaf Community;
- There is a general lack of awareness regarding communities of people with disabilities.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in sporting activities?

|                      | Number of Turkish | % of Turkish |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                      | Answers           | Answers      |
| More Funding         | 12                | 11.2 %       |
| More Sports          | 21                | 19.6 %       |
| Organisations        |                   |              |
| Sports               |                   |              |
| Organisations for    | 23                | 21.5 %       |
| Sports I like        |                   |              |
| More Training        | 22                | 20.6 %       |
| Better Accessibility | 21                | 19.6 %       |
| Support              |                   |              |
| Other                | 8                 | 7.5 %        |
| Total Answers        | 107               |              |
| Total Participant    | 26                |              |
| Submissions          | 20                |              |
| Unanswered           | 0                 |              |

Table 143: Turkish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 142.

#### "Other" actions identified:

- Increase general awareness regarding communities for people with disabilities;
- Three participants suggested the establishment of organisations (CSOs or public institutions) which work specifically with Hard of Hearing and Deaf people. This will motivate individuals to participate in sporting activities. It will also make access to sporting activities easier for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people. Mechanisms should also be implemented to promote sport for all people with disabilities;
- Implementing greater emphasis on the importance of socialisation within communities for those with disabilities;
- Two participants suggested promoting inclusion of people with disabilities within more/all existing sports organisations;
- Organisation of campaigns at various establishments. These would focus on raising awareness of sports for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people;

# **8.3** Turkish Accessibility to Chess Activities

## **8.3.1** Accessibility to Chess Activities for all Turkish People

Do you play chess?

|            | Number of Turkish | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
|            | Answers           |                         |
| Yes        | 23                | 88.5 %                  |
| No         | 3                 | 11.5 %                  |
| Total (n=) | 26                |                         |
| Unanswered | 0                 |                         |

Table 144: Turkish responses to "Do you play chess?".

Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Yes        | 6                            | 26.1 %                  |
| No         | 17                           | 73.9 %                  |
| Total (n=) | 23                           |                         |
| Unanswered | 3                            |                         |

Table 145: Turkish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?".

What do you think are the barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|   | Number of<br>Turkish Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Money                                   | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues       | 5                            | 55.6 %                  |
| Opportunities to Play Chess with Others | 1                            | 11.1 %                  |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess         | 2                            | 22.2 %                  |
| Other                                   | 1                            | 11.1 %                  |
| Total Answers                           | 9                            |                         |
| Total Participant Submissions           | 7                            |                         |
| Unanswered                              | 19                           |                         |

Table 146: Turkish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 145.

### "Other" barrier identified:

• Chess activities are not promoted enough to children.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit all people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                      | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish Answers |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| More Funding                         | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| Creating more Chess<br>Organisations | 5                            | 62.5 %               |
| More Training                        | 3                            | 37.5 %               |
| Better Accessibility Support         | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| Other                                | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                 | 8                            |                      |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions     | 6                            |                      |
| Unanswered                           | 20                           |                      |

Table 147: Turkish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 144.

### **8.3.2** Accessibility to Chess Activities for the Turkish Deaf Community

Do you think there are barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|            | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Yes        | 19                           | 82.6 %                  |
| No         | 4                            | 17.4 %                  |
| Total (n=) | 23                           |                         |
| Unanswered | 3                            |                         |

Table 148: Turkish responses to "Do you think there are barriers that limit deaf or hard of hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?"

What do you think are the barriers that limit Deaf people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|  | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish Answers |
|--|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Money                                      | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| Access to Organised Chess Leagues          | 10                           | 31.3 %               |
| Opportunities to Play<br>Chess with Others | 5                            | 15.6 %               |
| Opportunities to<br>Learn Chess            | 17                           | 53.1 %               |
| Other                                      | 0                            | 0.0 %                |
| <b>Total Answers</b>                       | 32                           |                      |
| Total Participant Submissions              | 19                           |                      |
| Unanswered                                 | 7                            |                      |

Table 149: Turkish responses to "What are those barriers?", relating to barriers mentioned in Table 148.

What could be done to overcome these barriers that limit Deaf or Hard of Hearing people's opportunities to access or participate in chess activities?

|                                   | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| More Funding                      | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Creating more Chess Organisations | 9                            | 26.5 %                  |
| More Training                     | 17                           | 50.0 %                  |
| Better Accessibility Support      | 7                            | 20.6 %                  |
| Other                             | 1                            | 2.9 %                   |
| <b>Total Answers</b>              | 34                           |                         |
| Total Participant Submissions     | 19                           |                         |
| Unanswered                        | 7                            |                         |

Table 150: Turkish responses to "What could be done to overcome these barriers?", referring to the barriers mentioned in Table 149.

"Other" action identified:

 Chess training materials aimed solely for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people should be produced. Chess is a visual game and therefore accessible for members of the Deaf Community. Resultantly, after a Deaf or Hard of Hearing person has learned to play, they are no different from their hearing peers. However, sound is an important factor in training, hence the need for specifically adapted materials.

## **8.4** Turkish Accessibility to Online Training

Have you ever taken online training?

|            | Number of Turkish | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
|            | Answers           |                         |
| Yes        | 4                 | 19.0 %                  |
| No         | 17                | 81.0 %                  |
| Total (n=) | 21                |                         |
| Unanswered | 5                 |                         |

Table 151: Turkish responses to "Have you ever taken online training?"

What were the best aspects of online training you have undertaken?

|   | Number of<br>Turkish Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Translation in Sign<br>Language                               | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Clear Enough to<br>Understand (Even if<br>SL wasn't Provided) | 2                            | 66.7 %                  |
| Right Length  | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Other   | 1                            | 33.3 %                  |
| <b>Total Answers</b>  | 3                            |                         |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                              | 3                            |                         |
| Unanswered  | 23                           |                         |

Table 152: Turkish responses to "What were the best aspects?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 151.

One "Other" best aspect of online training was identified as follows:

• The training wasn't very substantial, but the participant was still able to understand by watching.

What aspects of online training you have undertaken did not work well?

|  | Number of Turkish<br>Answers | % of Turkish<br>Answers |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| No Training in Sign<br>Language                      | 4                            | 50.0 %                  |
| SL Explanation Unclear / in a Different Language     | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| No SL and Other<br>Contents wasn't<br>Understandable | 2                            | 25.0 %                  |
| Too Long   | 0                            | 0.0 %                   |
| Too Short  | 1                            | 12.5 %                  |
| Other  | 1                            | 12.5 %                  |
| Total Answers  | 8                            |                         |
| Total Participant<br>Submissions                     | 4                            |                         |
| Unanswered   | 22                           |                         |

Table 153: Turkish responses to "What did not work well?", referring to the training mentioned in Table 151.

One Turkish participant defined the following length of training as "Too Short":

• 15 minutes.

The participant also clarified that these 15 minutes only covered the rules of the game.

One "Other" aspect of online training that didn't work well was stated as follows:

• The training wasn't produced specifically for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people.

Resultantly, the accessibility needs of the Deaf Community were not taken into account.



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