The Marrakech Treaty and the Accessibility Revolution



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Summary



- EPUB3
- Marrakech and beyond
- Follow the numbers
- Overcoming publishing blindness
- Accessible Books Consortium



IPA endorsed EPUB3 in March 2013

- Free and open standards
- International Digital Publishing Forum
- Global and interoperable
- Fully accessible

Marrakech and beyond

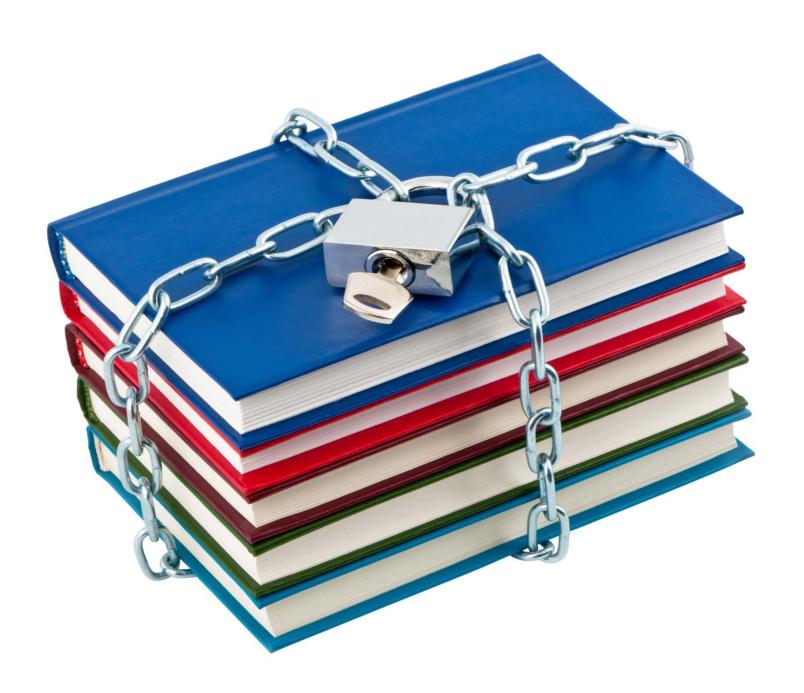


The long and winding road

The treaty at last!

The aftermath

Next steps





Diplomatic Conference for Visually Impaired Persons

organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
and hosted by the Kingdom of Morocco

AUNE 17 TO 28

Follow the numbers



How many people make up the VIP marketplace?

In the world

In Muscat and Oman

Overcoming publisher blindness



IPA advice post-Marrakech

Change at the top



"We really believe that publishing in accessible formats is not optional and not just a moral decision.

It is a good business decision overall."

Youngsuk 'YS' Chi IPA's immediate past President Chairman of Elsevier Director of Corporate Affairs, Reed Elsevier



"Bloomsbury has always supported as wide an access to its publications as possible. The advent of EPUB3 and tablet computers increases the opportunities for us to serve all readers throughout the world."

Richard Charkin
IPA President
Executive Director, Bloomsbury Publishing

Accessible Books Consortium



What is the Accessible Book Consortium?

www.accessiblebooksconsortium.org/portal/en

Multi-Stakeholder Partnership

Capacity Building

- + Inclusive Publishing
- + TIGAR

Charter for Accessible Publishing



- 1. Formulating an accessibility policy and stating it
- 2. Nominating a senior manager
- 3. Awareness and training
- 4. Point of contact
- 5. Testing
- 6. Monitoring progress
- 7. Promoting
- 8. Collaborating

The Future?



The International Publishers Association believes that we should strive for equal access around the world for all readers, regardless of any disabilities. This can be achieved if all stakeholders work together. Jointly, we can develop and promote the necessary technologies and tools, and build the capacity to implement them worldwide.

Thank you

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