



Best practices in contacting with disabled people victims of hate motivated crime and violence

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Communication barriers

- Institutionalisation
- Legal capacity
- Accessibility

Institutionalisation

- o Monitoring
- o Identification
- o Litigation
- o Ongoing support

Legal capacity

- o Guardianship
- o Limitations
- o Protection

Accessibility

- Physical
- Sensory
- Intellectual
- Universal design



Physical accessibility

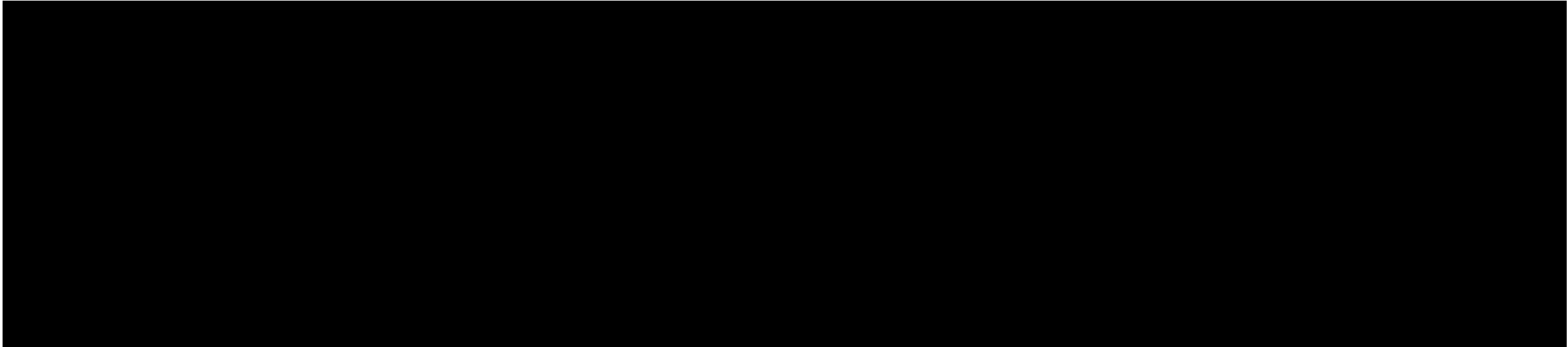
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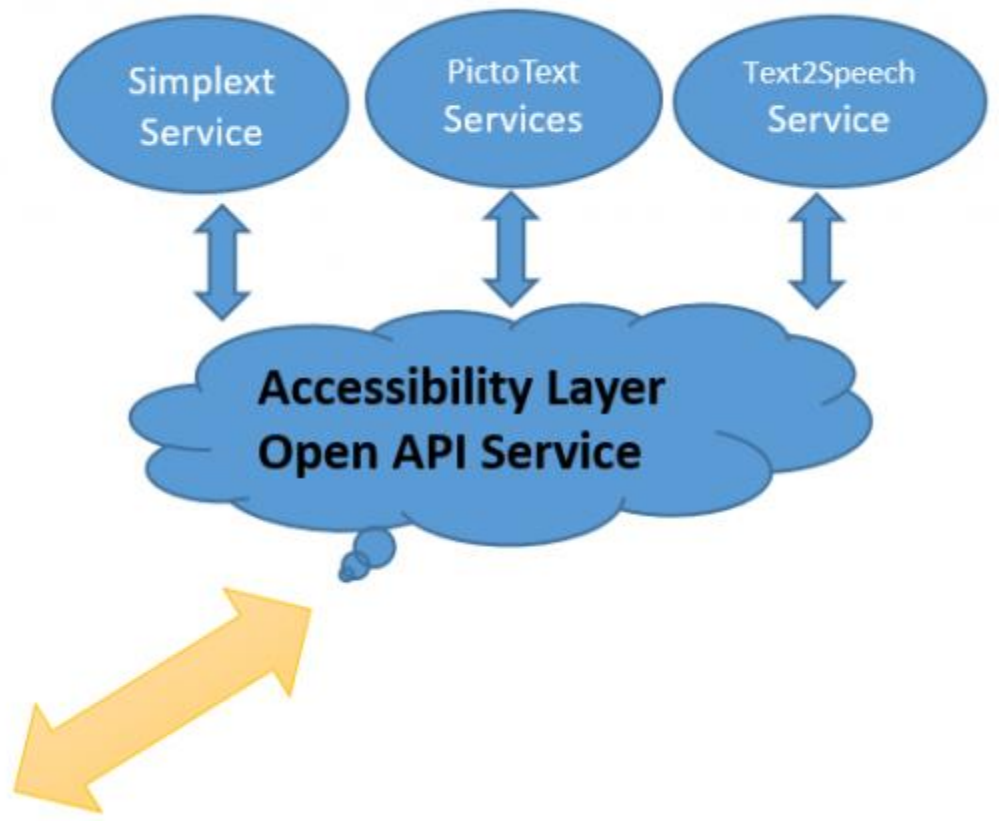
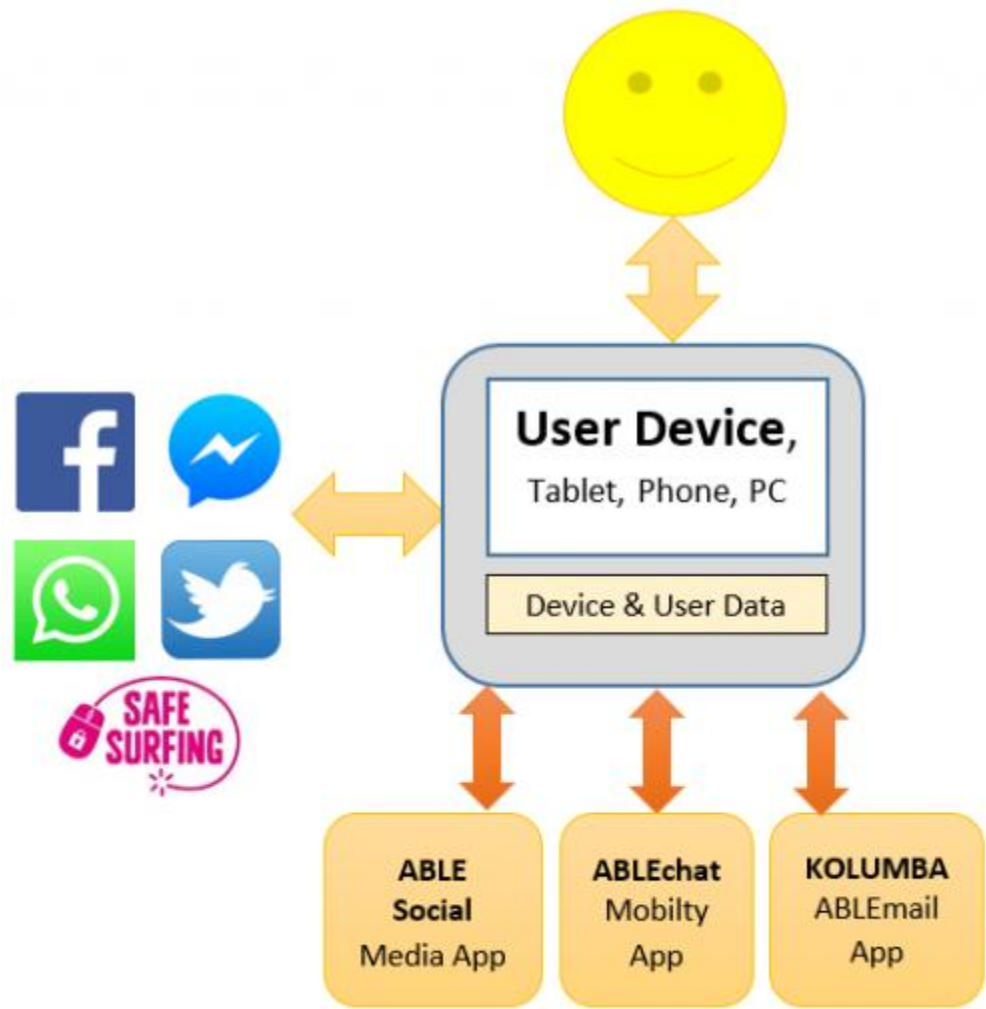
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Victimisation of persons with disabilities



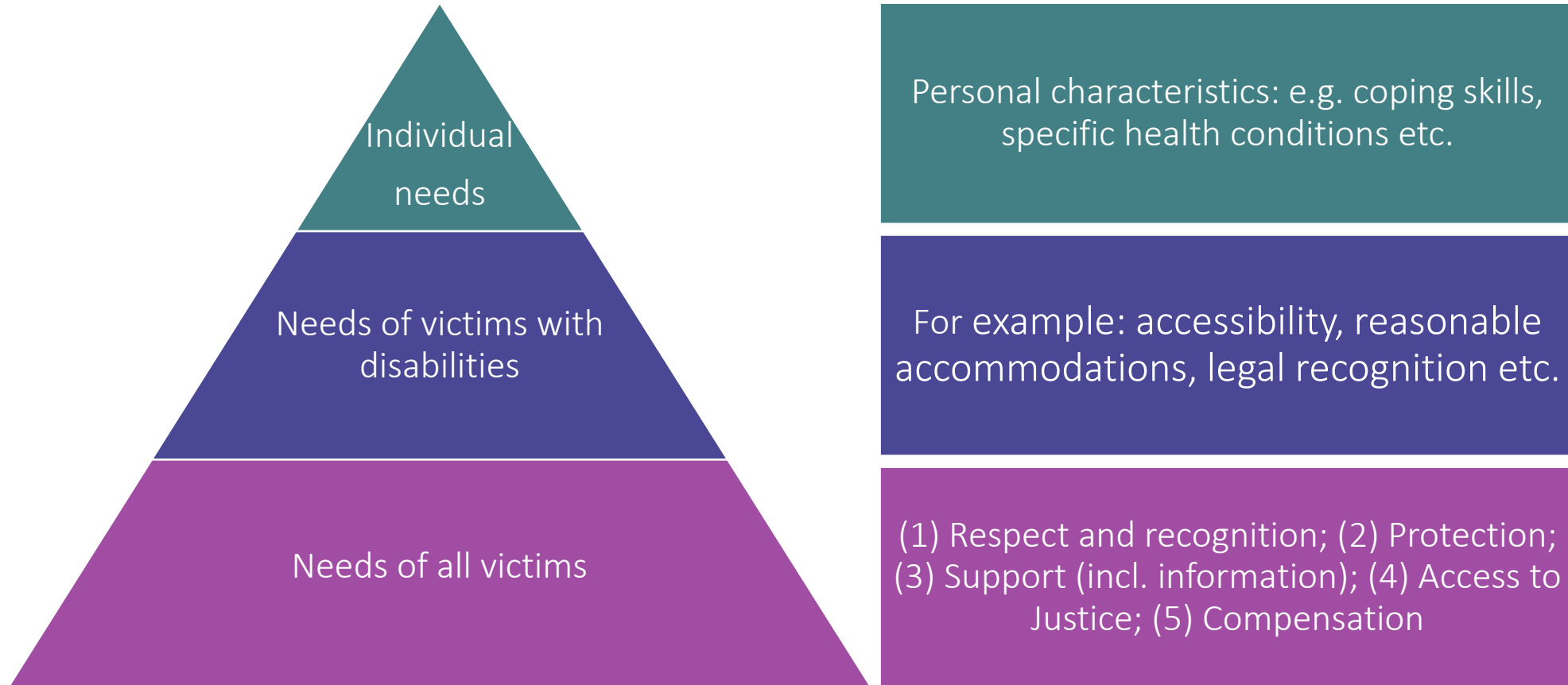
- o 2 to 7 times more likely to become victims
- o Persons with intellectual disabilities are most likely to become victims

Specific forms of victimisation

- o Institutionalisation
- o Sexual and reproductive health
- o Parental rights
- o Hate crimes



Victims' needs



Victims' needs in proceedings

“Personal situation and immediate needs, age, gender, possible disability and maturity of victims of crime should be taken into account while fully respecting their physical, mental and moral integrity”

Needs of victims' with disabilities in proceedings

o Accessibility

o Reasonable accommodations



Guardianship as a barrier



Identifying the victim



Commencing and running the proceedings

- o Power of Attorney and legal capacity
- o Financial issues
- o Statutes of limitations



Rights in criminal proceedings

- o *Right to be heard*
- o *Right to question decision not to prosecute*
- o *Right to safeguards in the context of restorative justice*
- o *Right to legal aid*
- o *Right to reimbursement of expenses*
- o *Right to return of property*
- o *Right to decision on compensation*



After the proceedings



- o Individual care plan
- o Compensation
- o Secondary victimisation



Thank you!

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