

## **La Ciudad Accesible: working towards greater accessibility and social inclusion**

**LOCATION:** Granada

**DURATION:** 1'42"

**SUMMARY:** La Ciudad Accesible, headquartered in Granada, is a non-profit project that works in support of universal accessibility. They were awarded the 2015 European Citizens Prize by the European Chamber in the category of Inclusion. This project is leading numerous protests and has also carried out more than 7,500 free legal advice consultations.

### **VTR:**

Antonio has had a disability since birth, but it wasn't until some time later, as a result of a sickness, that he discovered a need for better accessibility in his society. He is one of the driving forces in La Ciudad Accesible, fighting for accessibility in order to allow more social inclusion.

**Antonio Tejada**  
**La Ciudad Accesible**

*"You start to see that, despite being 66% disabled since birth, there is an invisible world that was not only invisible to my eyes, but to the rest of society, and that in that moment became clear to me."*

Se trata de un proyecto sin ánimo de lucro que promueve y ofrece soluciones técnicas y buenas prácticas sobre accesibilidad universal. Disponen de una asesoría gratuita en esta materia en la que ya se han celebrado más de 7.500 sesiones.

This is about a non-profit project that promotes and offers technical solutions and good practices for universal accessibility. They arrange free consultations about this subject, and have already given more than 7,500 sessions.

**Antonio Tejada**  
**La Ciudad Accesible**

*"A laboratory/observatory of investigation and action surrounding the topics of universal accessibility, usability, design, and preparation for the diversity of users."*

**Antonio Espínola**  
**La Ciudad Accesible**

*"People with brain damage, cerebral palsy, and physical, organic, auditory, visual disabilities..."*

The European Chamber gave the 2015 European Citizens Prize in the category of Inclusion to La Ciudad Accesible. They are now leading numerous protests. In Granada, after 2 years, they successfully made one of the pedestrian bridges over the Genil River accessible.

**Antonio Espínola**  
**La Ciudad Accesible**

*"In 2013 this bridge was built and it was not accessible. So, we started to mobilize ourselves a little more."*

**Emilio Luis Fernández**  
**La Ciudad Accesible Collaborator**

*"Unfortunately they have to make spaces accessible given that from the start they weren't accessible."*

**Manolo Martín**  
**La Ciudad Accesible Collaborator**

*"Accessibility is something that you need. It's the wheelchair, the baby carriage, the elderly people."*

Antonio said that he would not shave his beard until the bridge became accessible, and now that he has finally won, he looks forward to new challenges.

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