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- ✓ A landmine survivor
- ✓ A paralympian
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INCLUSIVE SPORT

The power of sports in rehabilitating survivors/persons with disabilities

- ✓ Boosts their self-esteem
- ✓ Improves their mental and physical health
- ✓ Increases their strength
- ✓ Makes them more resilient



EXPERIENCE AND MY PERSPECTIVE



- ✓ 20 years of experience and work with the most difficult forms of disability
- ✓ Sports for everyone



INCLUSIVE SKI SCHOOL

- ✓ Individual approach in disability sports



(MY) VISION

This is certainly the most visible result in sports for people with disabilities !

Never imposes a result in the context of medals or sports awards as an imperative !



MEDALS, AWARDS VS INTEGRATION, REHABILITATION, SELF-RELIANCE

Always in reverse order !!!

- ✓ Reduced stress
- ✓ Increased quality of life



SENSE OF BELONGING AND PEER SUPPORT

- ✓ Transfer the acquired knowledge and individual approach in sports
- ✓ Double peer support



CHALLENGES

- Ensuring stable and continuous financing
- Inclusion of a larger number of people with disabilities
- Lack of adequate sports aids/prostheses



OPPORTUNITIES

- ✓ Continuity and constant progress in sports projects for people with disabilities
- ✓ An innovative and more proactive approach to the rehabilitation process
- ✓ Acquiring vital social skills



OPPORTUNITIES

- ✓ From survivor to high-performance athlete
- ✓ Promotion of the rights of survivors at the biggest sports events as the most powerful tool in achieving the highest visibility



Thank you!