

HiQ CREATES "RESLEDAREN" – IMPROVING ACCESS TO PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The launch of a new mobile service called <u>ResLedaren</u> makes it simpler and safer for people with cognitive function disorders such as autism or ADHD to use public transport in Stockholm. <u>HiQ</u> has had overall responsibility for the technical development in the innovation project.

ResLedaren helps users to plan and safely complete journeys on public transport. The service is available to everyone but has been developed specifically for people with cognitive function disorders. As a group, these people often experience difficulties with short-term memory, perceptions of time, sense of direction, problem solving and flexibility.

"ResLedaren compensates for any limitations in a person's functional abilities and guides them safely to their destination. Being able to move between different places is a key to taking an active part in society. We are very proud to be able to help more people feel more secure about using public transport," says HiQ's Magnus Gudéhn.

ResLedaren reminds the user when it is time to leave home and what is necessary to bring – a mobile phone, for example and a travel pass. During the journey the app signals when it's required to press the stop button in order to get off the bus/subway or change routes. Users are supported all the way to their final destination.

"Earlier this year, HiQ developed a solution for the Swedish Post & Telecom Authority to make Facebook accessible to deaf-blind people. That too was an example of how to make life simpler and open up society to everyone, including those with disabilities or special needs. We've always been motivated to improve people's lives and that motivation is only growing stronger," says Lars Stugemo, President and CEO of HiQ.

Future versions of ResLedaren will make it possible to send pre-programmed journeys to others and to follow them in real time. Parents, for example, will be able to send travel plans to their children. ResLedaren is currently available for Android and will soon be launched for iPhone as well.

ResLedaren has its starting-point in the innovation contest Travelhack, where HiQ'er Joel Holmberg was part of the winning team. It has been a joint project by Autismpedagogik, Samtrafiken, SL and Viktoria Swedish ICT, in which Vinnova has provided the funding and HiQ the technical development.

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