

Press Release



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SVS INAUGURATES SECTION FOR HANDICAPPED USERS ON ITS WEBSITE

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This week the Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros inaugurated the Handicapped Section of its website, <http://www.svs.cl/sitio/discapacidad/index.php>, which provides information on the capital and insurance markets that are overseen by this organization, as well as legislation and regulations, and educational content for investors and policyholders.

Visitors that suffer from any type of visual disability will be able to access the content of the SVS website through computer programs that they regularly use to get online. Among other possibilities, they will be able to receive information or assistance with respect to the activities or services that they can carry out through this organization – such as the filing of complaints - , as well as become familiarized with the most frequently asked questions regarding the supervised markets.

The SVS Chairman, Guillermo Larraín, indicated that “this is one more step towards our objective of removing obstacles that impede the access to information that other people are able to access.”

“We hope that this site effectively provides information and assistance for people with visual disabilities,” he added, highlighting that “the objective of this initiative, along with other projects that we at the SVS are developing, is that an increasingly larger audience may obtain information, knowledge and access to the securities and insurance markets” that are overseen by this organization.

The new section, which you can access through a handicap icon located on the navigation bar in the upper part of the SVS site, complies with the regulations of Supreme Decree N°100 of 2006, of the Ministry General Secretariat General of the Presidency on Electronic Government, regarding the accessibility of information for people with disabilities.

It should be pointed out that the new section was designed with consideration to the recommendations of the “Guide to Website Accessibility for People with Disabilities”, created by the Electronic Document Rules Committee, which was established to ensure the fulfillment of the established accessibility criteria of the abovementioned Supreme Decree N°100 of 2006.

The recommendations of this accessibility guide are general and take into consideration the indications of international organizations regarding accessibility for handicapped users.

In Chile 45% of all handicapped people have some type of visual disability and are those who have the most complications when trying to access the Internet.

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