

The Impact of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Strategies on the Integration of Autistic People into Society Within the Framework of Sustainable Development (SD)

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Abstract

The integration of people with autism into society is a key objective of (SD), which seeks to create an inclusive and equitable society. (AAC) offers solutions to overcome communication barriers for people with autism, enabling them to participate actively in society and in (SD) initiatives. The aim of this project is to assess the impact of (AAC) strategies on the social and professional inclusion of people with autism, particularly in SD-related initiatives. To this end, a literature review was conducted to identify empirical studies and theoretical frameworks related to the use of (AAC) among people with autism. Data were collected from scientific articles, institutional reports and case studies on the integration of people with autism in (SD) sectors. The results show that (AAC) promotes the social and professional integration of people with autism, enabling them to communicate and participate in community initiatives such as urban agriculture or recycling. AAC enhances the skills of autistic people while contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular social inclusion and decent employment. The (AAC) has great potential for improving the inclusion of people with autism, particularly in (SD) projects. However, further efforts are needed to overcome the challenges of accessibility, training and social acceptance. For sustainable inclusion, cooperation between decision-makers, communities and professionals is essential.

Keywords

Inclusion of Autistic Individuals, AAC, Sustainable Development, Social and Professional Integration, Communication Barriers