

Digital Accessibility Conformity Declaration

Pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2019/882 – European Accessibility Act.

Last updated: 21st September 2026

This declaration applies to the website: www.fondazionericcardocatella.org and its digital interface accessible from desktop and mobile browsers, managed by **Ensoul srl**, a company operating in the web and ecommerce sector.

In compliance with **Regulation (EU) 2019/882** and the harmonised standard **UNI CEI EN 301 549:2021**, **Fondazione Riccardo Catella** declares that the website www.fondazionericcardocatella.org complies with the essential accessibility requirements established for digital services to the public.

Conformity status

The website complies with the technical requirements established by Regulation (EU) 2019/882 and the EN 301 549:2021 standard, based on the success criteria of the **Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 and 2.2**, level **AA**, as defined by the **W3C – World Wide Web Consortium**, with reference to all applicable criteria.

This conformity reflects an ongoing commitment to designing, developing and maintaining an accessible digital experience for all people, including those with disabilities.

Conformity was verified through an **in-depth technical audit**, comprising:

- systematic manual evaluation against the WCAG 2.2 level AA success criteria;
- multi-tool automated analysis conducted with WAVE, Lighthouse and Mauve++, used as support for the manual evaluation;
- functional testing with assistive technologies, including: screen readers, keyboard navigation (tab, shift+tab, enter, escape) and high-contrast mode. The checks included focus management, correct announcement of labels, semantic ordering of headings, the use of ARIA roles and text alternatives for graphic content;
- verification of the accessibility of dynamic and interactive content, custom-developed with JavaScript;
- in-depth analysis of the semantic structure and interaction, including: the hierarchical organisation of headings (heading structure), the correct use of ARIA landmarks (role="main", "navigation", etc.), focus and tabbing order management (tabindex), the correct activation of accessible states

(aria-expanded, aria-hidden, aria-labelledby) and the assessment of the accessibility of the custom JavaScript scripts developed in the front-end.

Technologies and frameworks used

The website was developed on the WordPress platform, using the Gutenberg editor with custom blocks, with a fully custom front-end and specific attention to accessibility starting from the design of a dedicated design system.

The following technical solutions were adopted to ensure compliance with WCAG 2.2:

Architecture and CMS:

- WordPress as the content management system, chosen for its flexibility and compatibility with accessibility standards;
- Custom Gutenberg blocks, designed to maintain semantic consistency and accessibility;

Markup and Styling:

- Semantic HTML5, with correct use of headings, landmarks and a coherent hierarchical structure;
- TailwindCSS as the main framework for style management, with targeted customisations to ensure focus management and semantic consistency;
- Complementary custom CSS3 to meet specific requirements for element styling and browser compatibility;

JavaScript and Interactivity:

- JavaScript ES6+ for managing dynamic interactions and component accessibility;
- GSAP (GreenSock Animation Platform) for fluid and performant animations, implemented in accordance with accessibility principles for users with vestibular disorders;
- Swiper.js for carousel and slider components, configured with full support for keyboard navigation and screen readers;

Accessibility and Standards:

- ARIA 1.2, used to improve assistive interaction with modals, expanded states, notifications and custom components;
- Mobile-first design, with particular attention to accessibility from touch devices and interactive areas;

- Advanced focus management and tabbing order (tabindex) handling in custom React blocks;

These technologies were selected to provide a solid, scalable foundation that is compatible with the main assistive tools and modern browsers, while maintaining the flexibility needed to manage content through WordPress.

Scope of the evaluation

The evaluation included all the main sections of the website:

- homepage and editorial content;
- modules, forms and interactive notifications;
- dynamic components such as banners, overlays, carousels, asynchronous filters and status messages;

Exclusions and limits of the evaluation

Despite the extensive coverage of the tests, the following are partially excluded from this evaluation:

- PDF documents or downloadable files not generated internally;
- Banners and players not created internally;
- any regressions occurring after the date of this evaluation, caused by changes introduced after the release of the audit.

Residual limitations

The website was designed to meet the WCAG 2.2 AA requirements and the EN 301 549 standard. However, some residual non-conformities are present, which are monitored and included in the technical roadmap:

- behaviours that could be improved in focus management (and focus order) in dynamic components and some graphic elements;
- slight variations in behaviour may occur in non-standard combinations of browsers and assistive technologies;
- minor irregularities may occur in the reflow of content under high zoom or window-resizing conditions, especially in interactive graphic components;
- behaviours that could be improved in the management of text alternatives and multimedia content;

- minor irregularities may occur due to insufficient contrast in some text elements and headings;

All the identified cases do not compromise access to existing content or functions and are managed within a continuous process of accessibility review and improvement.

Drafting method

This declaration constitutes the official conformity declaration pursuant to Article 15 of Regulation (EU) 2019/882.

The technical evaluation was based on the WCAG-EM method, and included:

- manual audit of the WCAG 2.2 level AA success criteria;
- multi-tool automated analysis (WAVE, Lighthouse, Mauve++);
- functional testing with assistive technologies;
- verification of the semantics, interactivity and dynamic behaviour of the components.

Accessibility requests and reports

For reports regarding the accessibility of the website, you can write to the email address info@fondazionericcardocatella.org

Reports will be handled by the appointed team in compliance with the guidelines set out by European regulations.

If no response is received, or if the report does not receive a reply within a reasonable time, it is possible to turn to third-party bodies or organisations for support, as provided for by the applicable regulations in force.

Regulatory references

This declaration is drawn up pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2019/882 – European Accessibility Act, in accordance with the technical requirements established by the harmonised standard UNI CEI EN 301 549:2021.

The technical evaluation is based on the criteria of WCAG 2.1 and 2.2, level AA.

This declaration is drawn up in accordance with the requirements set out in Annex IV of Regulation (EU) 2019/882.

Future commitments

Accessibility is an ongoing process.

Fondazione Riccardo Catella undertakes to:

- maintain and improve the accessibility of the website in line with the EAA;
- monitor the residual non-conformities;
- ensure technical updates compatible with future versions of the EN 301 549 standard;
- update the declaration by September 2027 or in the event of substantial changes.

The next review of this declaration is scheduled by September 2027.

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Technical accessibility verification

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