Master Thesis Presentation Structure & Alternatives

"Designing an Accessibility Learning Toolkit: Bridging the Gap Between Guidelines and Implementation"

Duration: 20 minutes | **Total Slides**: 14-16 | **Format**: Academic presentation for CS commission

RECOMMENDED CORE STRUCTURE

Slide 1: Title Slide

Content:

- Title: Designing an Accessibility Learning Toolkit: Bridging the Gap Between Guidelines and Implementation
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Slide 2: Research Context & Motivation

Time: 2 minutes

OPTION A: Problem-Focused (Recommended)

- Global Scale: 1+ billion people with disabilities, 7 billion mobile users
- Implementation Gap: WCAG guidelines exist but practical implementation lacks guidance
- **Evidence**: 22/57 public apps fail accessibility (EU studies), 30% of Android apps have accessibility issues
- Core Problem: Abstract guidelines → Concrete implementation challenge

OPTION B: Technology-Focused

- **Mobile Revolution**: Explosive growth in mobile development frameworks
- Accessibility Challenge: Cross-platform frameworks need accessibility guidance
- Current State: Limited systematic comparison of accessibility implementation approaches

Visuals: Statistics infographic + before/after mobile interface examples

Slide 3: Research Questions & Contributions

Time: 2 minutes

OPTION A: Question-Driven (Recommended)

• Three Research Questions:

- RQ1: Are framework components accessible by default?
- RQ2: Can non-accessible components be made accessible?
- RQ3: What is the development overhead for accessibility implementation?
- Novel Approach: First systematic quantitative comparison with formal metrics

OPTION B: Contribution-Driven

• Three Main Contributions:

- 1. Formal evaluation framework with 6 quantitative metrics
- 2. AccessibleHub: Theory-informed educational toolkit
- 3. Systematic framework comparison with empirical validation

Visuals: Research questions flowchart OR contributions overview diagram

Slide 4: Methodological Innovation

Time: 3 minutes

OPTION A: Metrics-Focused (Recommended)

- Novel Evaluation Framework: 6 formal metrics with mathematical definitions
 - Component Accessibility Score (CAS): % components accessible by default
 - Implementation Overhead (IMO): Additional LOC required for accessibility
 - Complexity Impact Factor (CIF): Weighted complexity assessment
 - Screen Reader Support Score (SRSS): Empirical testing (1-5 scale)
 - WCAG Compliance Ratio (WCR): % criteria satisfied by conformance level
 - Developer Time Estimation (DTE): Time-to-implement accessibility features

OPTION B: Standards-Focused

- WCAG2Mobile Integration: First implementation of W3C 2025 mobile accessibility standard
- **Methodological Rigor**: Formal metrics + empirical testing + systematic comparison
- Reproducible Framework: Documented methodology for future framework evaluation

OPTION C: Theory-Focused

- Educational Foundation: Constructivist + experiential learning theory integration
- Quantitative Framework: Mathematical formalization of accessibility evaluation
- Empirical Validation: VoiceOver + TalkBack testing on specific device configurations

Visuals: Metrics definition table + methodology flowchart

Slide 5: AccessibleHub: Research Vehicle & Educational Tool

Time: 4 minutes

OPTION A: Architecture-Focused (Recommended)

- **Purpose**: Interactive toolkit bridging WCAG theory → mobile implementation
- 7 Educational Modules:
 - Components (progressive complexity), Best Practices (domain-specific)
 - Framework Comparison (analytical tool), Tools (workflow integration)
 - Settings (adaptive interface), Community (social learning)
- Pedagogical Design: Theory-informed learning progression + hands-on examples

OPTION B: Feature-Focused

- Interactive Learning: Live code examples + copy-paste implementation patterns
- Quantitative Dashboard: Real-time accessibility metrics + compliance tracking
- Comparative Analysis: Side-by-side React Native vs Flutter implementation
- Community Integration: Connection to broader accessibility development ecosystem

Visuals: AccessibleHub home screen + architecture diagram + sample component screen

Slide 6: Implementation Examples & Patterns

Time: 3 minutes

OPTION A: Code-Focused (Recommended)

- **Progressive Complexity**: Buttons → Forms → Dialogs → Advanced components
- Implementation Patterns:

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javascript

// React Native: Property-based

<TouchableOpacity
   accessibilityRole="button"
   accessibilityLabel="Submit form"
   accessibilityHint="Activates form submission">

// Flutter: Widget-based
Semantics(
   label: 'Submit form',
   button: true,
   child: ElevatedButton(...))
```

OPTION B: Educational-Focused

- Learning Pathway: Scaffolded component complexity with theoretical grounding
- WCAG Mapping: Each component explicitly connected to success criteria
- Multi-Modal Learning: Visual examples + code patterns + accessibility outcomes

OPTION C: Pattern-Focused

- Architectural Differences: Property-based vs Widget-based accessibility models
- Cross-Platform Consistency: How frameworks handle platform-specific requirements
- Implementation Efficiency: Code patterns that minimize development overhead

Visuals: Side-by-side code comparison + component screenshots + WCAG mapping

Slide 7: Quantitative Results Overview

Time: 2 minutes

OPTION A: Metrics Dashboard (Recommended)

- AccessibleHub Results:
 - CAS: 100% component implementation (20/20)
 - WCR: 88% WCAG 2.2 compliance (weighted across A/AA/AAA)
 - SRSS: 4.3/5.0 average (VoiceOver + TalkBack testing)
 - IMO: 23.3% average implementation overhead

OPTION B: Framework Comparison

- **Default Accessibility**: React Native 38% vs Flutter 32%
- Implementation Efficiency: React Native 45% less code required
- Cross-Platform Consistency: React Native more consistent screen reader behavior

Visuals: Metrics dashboard screenshot + key numbers highlighted

Slide 8: Framework Comparison Results

Time: 3 minutes

OPTION A: Comprehensive Comparison (Recommended)

Metric	React Native	Flutter	Difference
Default Accessible Components	38%	32%	+6%
Implementation Overhead (LOC)	Baseline	+45%	React Native advantage
Screen Reader Support	4.2/5.0	3.8/5.0	+10.5%
WCAG AA Compliance	92%	85%	+8.2%

OPTION B: Architectural Focus

- Implementation Models: Property-based vs Widget-based approaches
- Code Efficiency: React Native requires 27%-200% less code for equivalent functionality
- Platform Integration: Different approaches to iOS/Android accessibility API integration

OPTION C: Developer Experience Focus

- Learning Curve: React Native more accessible to web developers
- Implementation Time: DTE measurements show React Native 35% faster
- Maintenance Overhead: Flutter's explicit semantics aid long-term maintenance

Visuals: Comparison table + architectural diagrams + code overhead chart

Slide 9: Implementation Overhead Analysis

Time: 2 minutes

OPTION A: Detailed Breakdown (Recommended)

- Overhead Range: 8.7% (simple content) to 36.3% (complex navigation)
- Complexity Drivers: Interaction patterns > Visual complexity
- **Key Contributors**: Focus management, element hiding, state communication
- Framework Difference: React Native consistently requires less code

OPTION B: Practical Implications

- Resource Planning: 20-25% additional development time for comprehensive accessibility
- ROI Analysis: Implementation cost vs user base expansion benefits
- Team Considerations: Framework choice impacts development velocity

Visuals: Overhead breakdown chart + complexity factors visualization

Slide 10: Screen Reader Testing & Validation

Time: 2 minutes

OPTION A: Empirical Results (Recommended)

- Testing Methodology: VoiceOver (iOS 16) + TalkBack (Android 15) on specific devices
- **Results**: React Native 4.2/5.0 average, Flutter 3.8/5.0 average
- Platform Variance: React Native more consistent cross-platform behavior
- **Key Findings**: Property-based approach translates better to assistive technologies

OPTION B: Validation Approach

- Multi-Platform Testing: Systematic evaluation across iOS/Android
- Real-World Usage: Testing with actual screen reader users and scenarios
- Compliance Verification: Mapping implementation to WCAG2Mobile requirements

Visuals: Testing results table + platform comparison chart + sample screen reader behavior

Slide 11: Extended Accessibility Principles

Time: 2 minutes

OPTION A: Beyond WCAG (Recommended)

- Novel Principles: 10+ extended principles beyond standard WCAG requirements
- Mobile-Specific: Touch optimization, swipe efficiency, battery considerations
- Educational: Pedagogical accessibility principles for developer learning
- Social: Community-centered accessibility development approaches

OPTION B: Theoretical Contributions

- Quantitative Measurement: First formal metrics for accessibility implementation
- Educational Framework: Theory-informed approach to accessibility learning
- Implementation Patterns: Reusable code patterns for common accessibility challenges

OPTION C: Skip This Slide (If time is tight)

• Integrate key points into other slides

Visuals: Extended principles overview + examples of mobile-specific considerations

Slide 12: Research Impact & Practical Implications

Time: 2 minutes

OPTION A: Multi-Stakeholder Impact (Recommended)

- For Developers: Evidence-based framework selection + realistic resource planning
- For Project Managers: Quantified implementation costs + ROI justification
- For Educators: Proven interactive learning approach + curriculum integration
- For Researchers: Reproducible evaluation methodology + formal metrics

OPTION B: Industry Impact

- Framework Selection: Data-driven guidance for accessibility-focused projects
- Resource Planning: Realistic overhead estimates for project planning
- Quality Assurance: Formal metrics for measuring accessibility implementation quality

Visuals: Impact stakeholder diagram + practical application examples

Slide 13: Research Contributions Summary

Time: 1.5 minutes

OPTION A: Three-Pillar Approach (Recommended)

- 1. Methodological: Novel evaluation framework with 6 formal metrics + WCAG2Mobile integration
- 2. **Practical**: AccessibleHub toolkit with theory-informed educational design
- 3. Empirical: First systematic quantitative comparison of accessibility implementation

OPTION B: Innovation Focus

- First of Its Kind: Systematic accessibility comparison with formal methodology
- Theory-Practice Bridge: AccessibleHub connects abstract guidelines to concrete code
- Open Source Impact: Tools and methodology available for community adoption

Visuals: Three pillars diagram + contribution summary table

Slide 14: Future Research Directions

Time: 1 minute

OPTION A: Immediate Extensions (Recommended)

- Framework Expansion: SwiftUI, Jetpack Compose accessibility analysis
- User Studies: Developer effectiveness measurement with AccessibleHub
- Automation: Integration with CI/CD pipelines for accessibility testing
- **Community**: Open source contribution and ecosystem development

OPTION B: Long-term Vision

- Industry Adoption: Standardization of quantitative accessibility metrics
- Educational Integration: Curriculum integration at universities and bootcamps
- Policy Impact: Evidence for accessibility compliance cost-benefit analysis

OPTION C: Research Extensions

- Longitudinal Studies: Long-term accessibility maintenance costs
- Cross-Cultural: Accessibility implementation across different development cultures
- Emerging Technologies: AR/VR accessibility framework evaluation

Visuals: Research roadmap + community adoption potential

Slide 15: Questions & Discussion

Time: Remaining time

OPTION A: Simple Thank You

- Summary: AccessibleHub bridges theory-practice gap with quantitative evidence
- Availability: Open source toolkit + reproducible methodology
- Contact: gabriel.rovesti@studenti.unipd.it | GitHub: gabrielrovesti/AccessibleHub

OPTION B: Call to Action

- For Academia: Adopt formal metrics for accessibility research
- For Industry: Use AccessibleHub for evidence-based framework decisions
- For Community: Contribute to open source accessibility toolkit development

Visuals: QR codes for repositories + contact information + University branding

ALTERNATIVE PRESENTATION STRATEGIES

Strategy A: Research-Heavy (Recommended for Academic Audience)

- Emphasize methodological innovation (Slides 4, 8, 11)
- Dedicate more time to formal metrics and WCAG2Mobile integration
- Position AccessibleHub as research vehicle rather than primary contribution

Strategy B: Tool-Focused (If Commission Prefers Practical Work)

- Lead with AccessibleHub demonstration and practical impact
- Minimize theoretical foundation in favor of implementation examples
- Emphasize immediate developer utility and adoption potential

Strategy C: Balanced Academic-Practical (Safest Option)

- Current structure balances research rigor with practical contribution
- Each section reinforces both theoretical foundation and practical application
- Appeals to both research-oriented and industry-connected commission members

SLIDE CONTENT DEVELOPMENT NOTES

Code Examples to Include:

- Button accessibility properties (React Native vs Flutter)
- Form validation with accessibility announcements
- Focus management in modal dialogs
- Custom accessibility actions for complex gestures

Screenshots to Prepare:

- AccessibleHub home screen with metrics
- Component comparison screen
- Framework comparison analytical interface
- Settings screen showing accessibility customization

Data Visualizations Needed:

- Implementation overhead by component type
- WCAG compliance across frameworks
- Screen reader testing results
- Development time estimation comparisons

Backup Content (If Questions Arise):

- Detailed WCAG2Mobile mapping tables
- Extended accessibility principles explanation
- Educational theory foundation
- Complete methodology with mathematical formulations
- User study plans and community adoption strategies

TIMING FLEXIBILITY NOTES

If Running Long (Remove/Shorten):

- Slide 11 (Extended Principles) integrate into other slides
- Detailed code examples in Slide 6
- Future work details in Slide 14

If Running Short (Expand):

- Live demonstration of AccessibleHub navigation
- Detailed methodology explanation
- Extended results discussion with Q&A

Emergency Backup Plan:

Core story: Problem (2 min) → AccessibleHub (5 min) → Results (8 min) → Impact (3 min) →
Questions (2 min)