

Solidarity with Ukraine: Digital Europe Programme open to Ukraine to access calls for funding

This week, the European Commission signed an agreement to associate Ukraine to the Digital Europe Programme. From now on, Ukrainian businesses, organisations, and public administrations will be able to access the calls from the Digital Europe Programme, which has an overall budget of €7.5 billion for the 2021-2027 period.



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Margrethe **Vestager**, Executive Vice-President for a Europe Fit for the Digital Age, said:

Ukraine has shown remarkable resilience and technological prowess in dealing with Russia's invasion, also in the digital space. With this agreement, the EU and Ukraine will benefit from each other's know-how and expand our digital capacities.

Thierry **Breton**, Commissioner for Internal Market, said:

I warmly welcome today's conclusion of the association agreement of Ukraine to the Digital Europe Programme. This will be instrumental in bringing Ukrainian businesses, researchers and public authorities closer to the EU in terms of building common digital infrastructures, as well as fostering digital transformation for the benefit of our people. It

will also reinforce our mutual digital capabilities and mitigate disruptions brought by the Russian aggression.

In particular, Ukraine will be able to apply for funding and support for projects in key capacity areas: supercomputing, artificial intelligence, advanced digital skills, and ensuring a wide use of digital technologies across the economy and society, including through Digital Innovation Hubs. The objectives and specific topic areas that are currently eligible for funding are detailed in the Work Programmes. More information is available in the Digital Europe Programme and how to apply for funding webpages. EU funding is also available to Ukraine through other EU programmes, such as Horizon Europe.

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