

The Digital Europe Programme

The Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL) is a new EU funding programme focused on bringing digital technology to businesses, citizens and public administrations.

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How to make Europe greener and more digital are the twin challenges for our generation, and our success in meeting them will define our future.

The European Commission has begun to look at a greener Europe through the lens of the European Green Deal. At the same time, it is opening up discussions about the move to a more digital world: the digital transition.

Digital technology and infrastructure have a critical role in our private lives and business environments. We rely on them to communicate, work, advance science and answer current environmental problems. At the same time, the COVID-19 pandemic highlighted not only how much we rely on our technology to be available to us, but also how important it is for Europe not to be dependent on systems and solutions coming from other regions of the world. Paving the way for achieving this goal is DIGITAL programme.

The Digital Europe Programme will provide strategic funding to answer these challenges, supporting projects in five key capacity areas: in supercomputing, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, advanced digital skills, and ensuring a wide use of digital technologies across the economy and society, including through Digital Innovation Hubs. With a planned overall budget of €7.5 billion (in current prices), it aims to accelerate the economic recovery and shape the digital transformation of Europe's society and economy, bringing benefits to everyone, but in particular to small and medium-sized enterprises.

The Digital Europe Programme will not address these challenges in isolation, but rather complement the funding available through other EU programmes, such as the Horizon Europe programme for research and innovation and the Connecting Europe Facility for digital infrastructure, the Recovery and Resilience Facility and the Structural funds, to name a few. It is a part of the next long-term EU budget, the Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027.

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The DIGITAL Europe Programme – Work Programmes

Overall objectives, scope, outcomes and deliverables as well as budget allocations, for each topic are described in the work programmes. On this web page you will find relevant documents and amendments for the work programmes once they have been adopted by the European...

How to get funding under the Digital Europe programme

Learn about the work programmes, the calls for proposals and the application process for the Digital Europe Programme.

Skills in the DIGITAL Europe programme

The DIGITAL Europe programme will fund the design and delivery of specialised programmes and traineeships for future experts in key capacity areas like data and AI, cybersecurity, quantum and HPC.

Cybersecurity in the DIGITAL Europe programme

The Digital Europe Programme will help the EU achieve a high common level of cybersecurity.

Artificial intelligence in the DIGITAL Europe programme

The DIGITAL Europe programme will open up the use of artificial intelligence by businesses and public administrations.

Supercomputing in the DIGITAL Europe programme

The DIGITAL Europe programme aims to build up and strengthen the EU's supercomputing and data processing capacities, helping us to reach exascale supercomputing – computing with a power comparable to aggregating the computing capabilities of the mobile phones of the EU's entire...

European Digital Innovation Hubs

European Digital Innovation Hubs (EDIHs) will function as one-stop shops that help companies dynamically respond to the digital challenges and become more competitive.

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The 'Connecting Europe Facility: Digital' programme will support and catalyse investments in digital connectivity infrastructures during the period 2021-2027.

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