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"EU Cybersecurity Policy and Cyber Skills"

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Cybersecurity challenges

- Geopolitical contest over cyberspace Capacity building, resilience
- Large increase in cybercrime
- Supply chain security (e.g. 5G)
- Expanding attack surface (e.g. IoT; hospitals, vaccine distribution)
- Threat from quantum computing breaking "legacy" crypto
- Advent of Al
- Skills shortage; awareness

- Vulnerability of smaller organisations, SMEs
- Info sharing, joint analysis and response
- Commercialisation of R&D
- Uptake
- Single market
- Dual use
- (...)



Digital skills overview

Table 1 Human capital indicators in DESI

	EU DESI 2022
1a1 At least basic digital skills % individuals	54% 2021
1a2 Above basic digital skills % individuals	26% 2021
1a3 At least basic digital content creation skills % individuals	66% 2021
1b1 ICT specialists % individuals in employment aged 15-74	4.5% 2021
1b2 Female ICT specialists % ICT specialists	19% 2021
1b3 Enterprises providing ICT training % enterprises	20% 2020
1b4 ICT graduates % graduates	3.9% 2020

Source: DESI 2022, European Commission

The EU's Cybersecurity Strategy for the Digital Decade (16.12.2020); 3 instruments (regulatory, investment, policy initiatives) 3 to three pillars

RESILIENCE, TECHNOLOGICAL SOVEREIGNTY AND LEADERSHIP

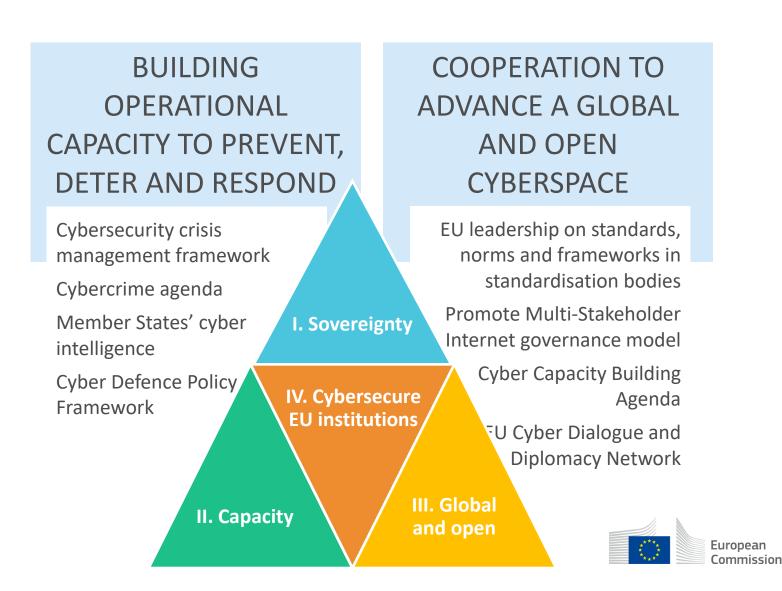
Revised Directive on Security of Network and Information Systems (NIS 2)

Cybersecurity Shield (CSIRT, SOC)

Secure Communication
Infrastructure: Quantum, NG
Mobile, IPv6, DNS

Competence Centre and Network of Coordination Centres (CCCN)

EU workforce upskilling



ECCC+ **NCCs** development of skills. NCCs with local cyber

communities. Capacity

Cyber skills **EU** policy landscape

(Cybersec) Skills funding under the Digital Europe Programme (MFF EUR 580M)

Funding

Community support

The Cybersecurity Sectorial Skills Alliance **New Vision** for Europe – REWIRE (Erasmus+)

building

ENISA: several strands of work

Knowledge generation

> Four pilots ECHO, CONCORDIA, CyberSec4Eur ope and SPARTA.

Stakeholder involvement

European cybersecurity stakeholders e.g. ECSO

The Digital

Skills and

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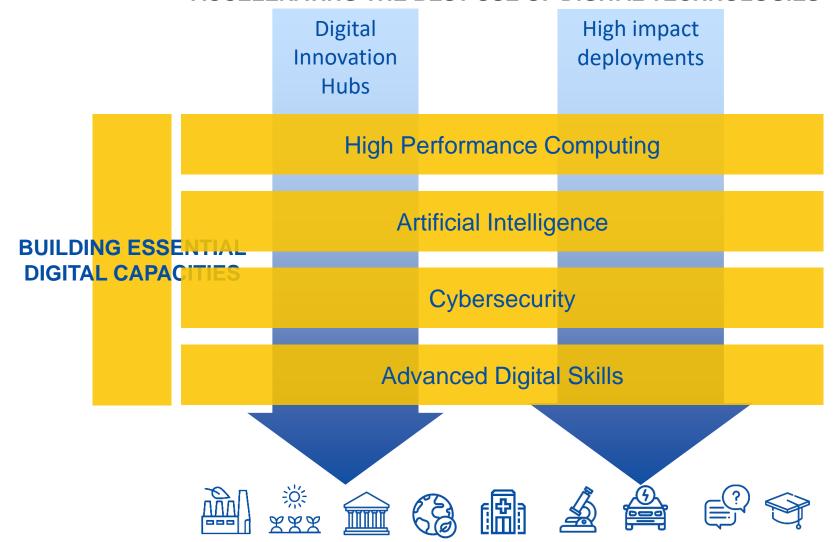
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Digital Europe programme structure

ACCELERATING THE BEST USE OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES





Next cybersecurity call (opening 29.9.2002)

European Cyber-shield (169.5M)

- EU cybersecurity resilience, coordination and Cybersecurity Ranges
- Capacity building of Security Operation Centres (SOCs)
- Securing 5G Strategic Digital Infrastructures and Technologies
- Uptake of innovative Cybersecurity Solutions
- Support To Cybersecurity In The Health Sector

Support to implementation of relevant EU Legislation (83M)

- Deploying the Network of National Coordination Centres with Member States
- Cybersecurity Community support
- NIS Directive Implementation and National Cybersecurity Strategies
- Testing and Certification Capabilities

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EU Cyber Competence Centre and Network of NCCs





European Competence Centre:

- > manage the funds foreseen for cybersecurity under Digital Europe and Horizon Europe 2021-2027
- facilitate and help coordinate the Network and Community to drive the cybersecurity technology agenda
- > support joint investment by the EU, Member States and industry and support deployment of products and solutions.

Network of National Coordination Centres:

- ➤ Nominated by Member States as the national contact point
- ➤ Objective: national capacity building and link with existing initiatives
- National Coordination Centres may receive funding
- ➤ National Coordination Centres may pass on financial support

Competence Community:







Thank you



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Back-up slides

Resilience, sovereignty, leadership

Infractive	
Infrastructure	Adopt NIS 2.0
Cyber Shield	Develop Network of Security Operations Centres
Ultra secure	
connectivity	Quantum enabled encryption
5G networks	Complete implementation of Toolbox
Internet	
security	Develop DNS4EU
Supply chain autonomy	Encourage EUR 4.5 bn investment across digital supply chain through Competence Centre and Network
Skills	Eg investment in business resilience against cyber- enabled IP theft



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Joint Cyber Unit

Milestones and process to be set out Feb 2021

Cybercrime

Complete Security Union agenda

Cyberdiplomacy toolbox

Strengthen cyber deterrence posture and shared situational awareness

Explore additional measures, and increase cooperation with international partners

Review Implementing Guidelines

Cyber Defence

Review the Cyber Defence Policy Framework to increase cyber defence cooperation and coordination

Encourage Member States' cyber defence capability development, notably through PESCO and EDF



Global and open cyberspace

EU leadership on international norms and standards

Step-up EU engagement on international standardisation, i.e. ITU

Take forward the Programme of Action to Advance Responsible State Behaviour in CyberspacePromote the Budapest Convention and engage in multilateral discussions

Promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms online

Cooperation with partners

Strengthen and expand cyber dialogues with third countries, regional and international organisations

Reinforce regular and structured exchanges with the multi-stakeholder community

Form an informal EU Cyber Diplomacy Network with EU "cyber attachés" around the world to promote the EU vision of cyberspace

Strengthen global capacities to tackle cyber threats

Develop an EU External Cyber Capacity Building Agenda

Set-up an EU External Cyber Capacity Building Agenda Board

Priorities on Western Balkans, EU's neighborhood and partner countries experiencing a rapid digital development

