



HUMAN RIGHTS, DEMOCRACY AND THE RULE OF LAW

DROITS DE L'HOMME DÉMOCRATIE ET ÉTAT DE DROIT

Strengthening EU Values through Digital Participation

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Digital Citizenship Education

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Council of Europe

Leading human rights organisation in Europe



the efficiency of justice

match fixing

youth

migrants rights

internet governance

the fight against discrimination

counterfeit medical products

the protection of journalists

protecting public health

internet governance

the fight against terrorism

hate speech

education for citizenship

overcrowded prisons

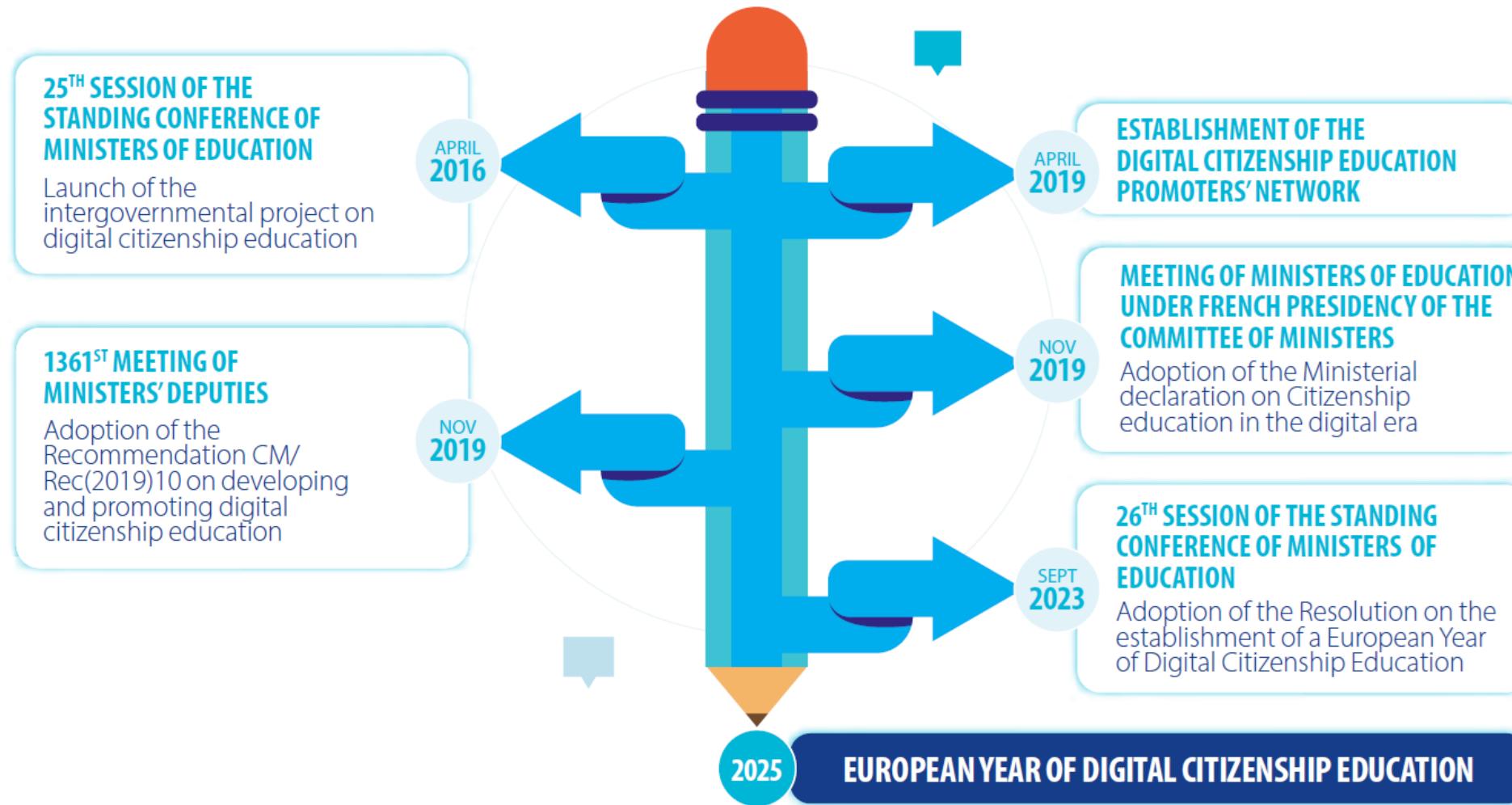
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education for citizenship

money laundering

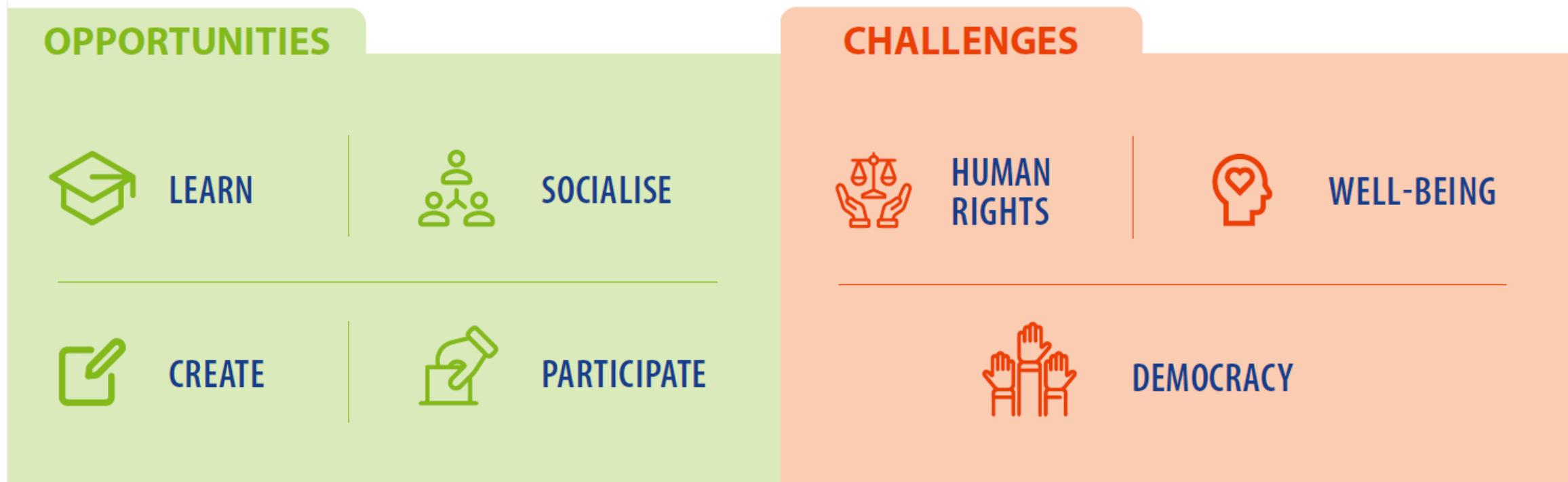
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Digital Citizenship Education – Background



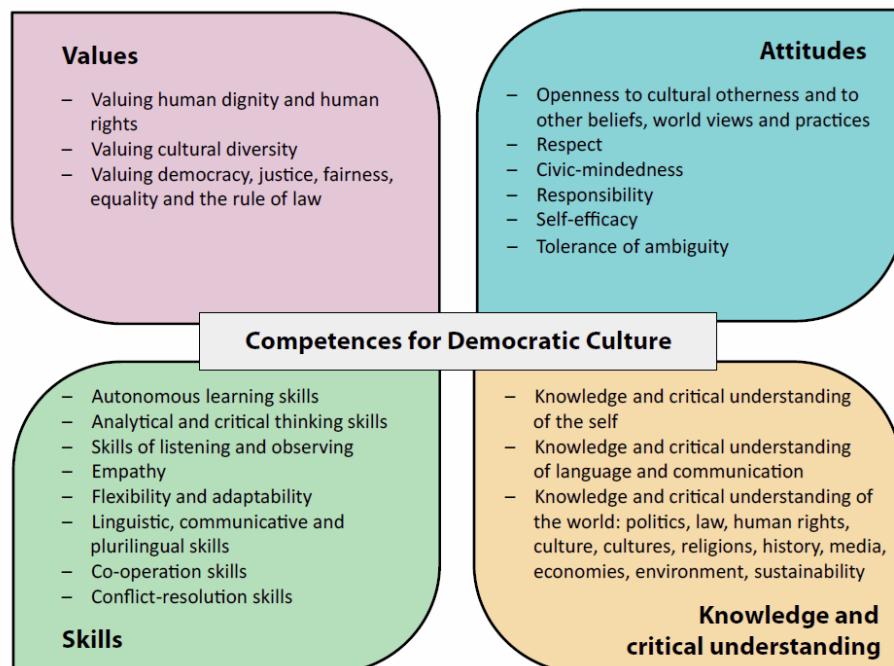
Digital Citizenship Education – Why

Get the best out of digital technologies and environment

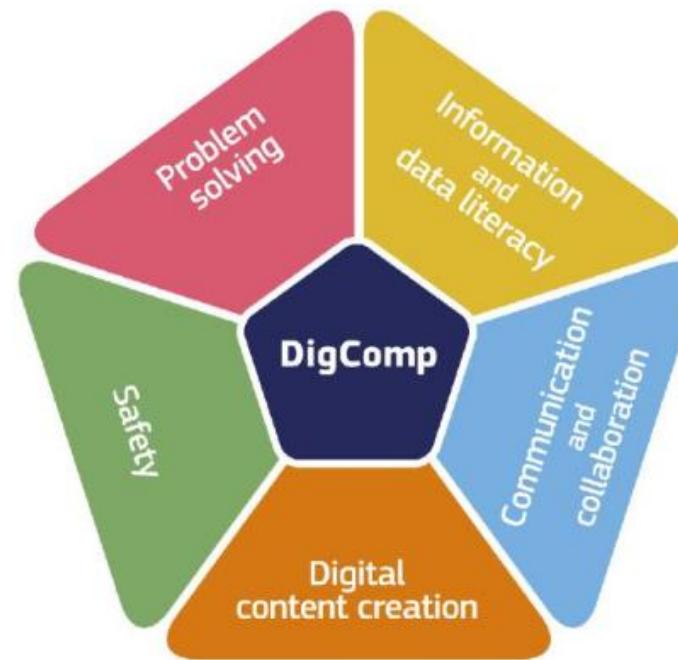


Digital Citizenship Education – Concept

Empowering learners of all ages with the necessary competences



Reference Framework of Competences for Democratic Culture



Digital Citizenship Education – Concept

A **comprehensive** and **holistic** framework that consists of **10 domains**

BEING ONLINE

Access and Inclusion

Overcoming digital exclusion and being open to diversity

Learning and Creativity

Developing competences for creative and innovative expression

Media and Information

Literacy

Interpreting and using digital media with a critical mind

WELL-BEING ONLINE

Ethics and Empathy

Recognising and understanding the feelings and perspectives of others

Health and Well-being

Being aware of the digital technology impact on body and mind

e-Presence and Communication

Developing the qualities needed to maintain a positive online self-image

RIGHTS ONLINE

Active Participation

Playing an active role and making responsible decisions to shape the digital environment

Rights and Responsibilities

Knowing them and understanding how these translate and apply in digital environments

Privacy and Security

Knowing how to protect information and personal data of ourselves and others

Consumer Awareness

Navigating responsibly and ethically in online spaces as a consumer, a user and

Digital Citizenship Education – Digital Citizen

Meet Muratti

Lifelong learner –
anywhere, anytime



Actively participates
in civic life – from
petitions to policy



Engages competently
and positively with
digital technologies



Respects others'
rights and dignity –
especially when
no one's watching



Digital Citizenship Education – Resources

LEAFLETS

6 leaflets applicable to various occasions and opportunities to exercise digital citizenship.

Available in 16 languages



ONLINE COURSES

A series of online courses, developed in collaboration with the European Wergeland Centre on:

- what is DCE;
- DCE and cyberbullying;
- DCE and disinformation;
- access and inclusion;
- controversial issues online;
- DCE and hate speech online.

Available in English



DIGI-NAUTS

A video series accompanied with activities and exercises for young children – with the support of parents and educators - to think about what it means to be a digital citizen. The videos and the Activity book are available in several languages, with more to come.

Available in 10 languages



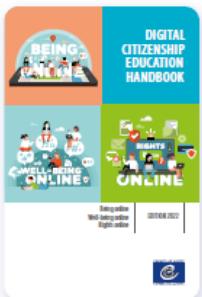
LESSON PLANS

10 lesson plans to empower educators to teach digital citizenship in class on:

- collaboration;
- cyberbullying;
- ethical shopping;
- fake news;
- living in lockdown;
- new opportunities;
- shaping the future;
- solidarity;
- speaking out;
- surveillance.

Digital Citizenship Education – Resources

BOOKS & BOOKLETS



Providing ideas for educators in terms of learning goals and activities that will enable children to exercise digital citizenship in and out of the classroom.



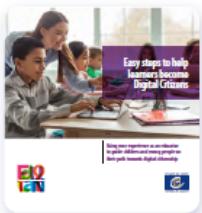
Equipping educators with the skills and knowledge they need to help young learners become effective digital citizens.

Available in English



Creating awareness of the complexity of video games, and of the potential risks and opportunities that come with it, while providing some useful strategies to help choose the right video games.

Available in English



Equipping educators with some easy steps to follow, to help learners master what it takes to act responsibly and respectfully online.

Available in EN & FR



Equipping parents with practical tips to guide their children on their path towards digital citizenship.

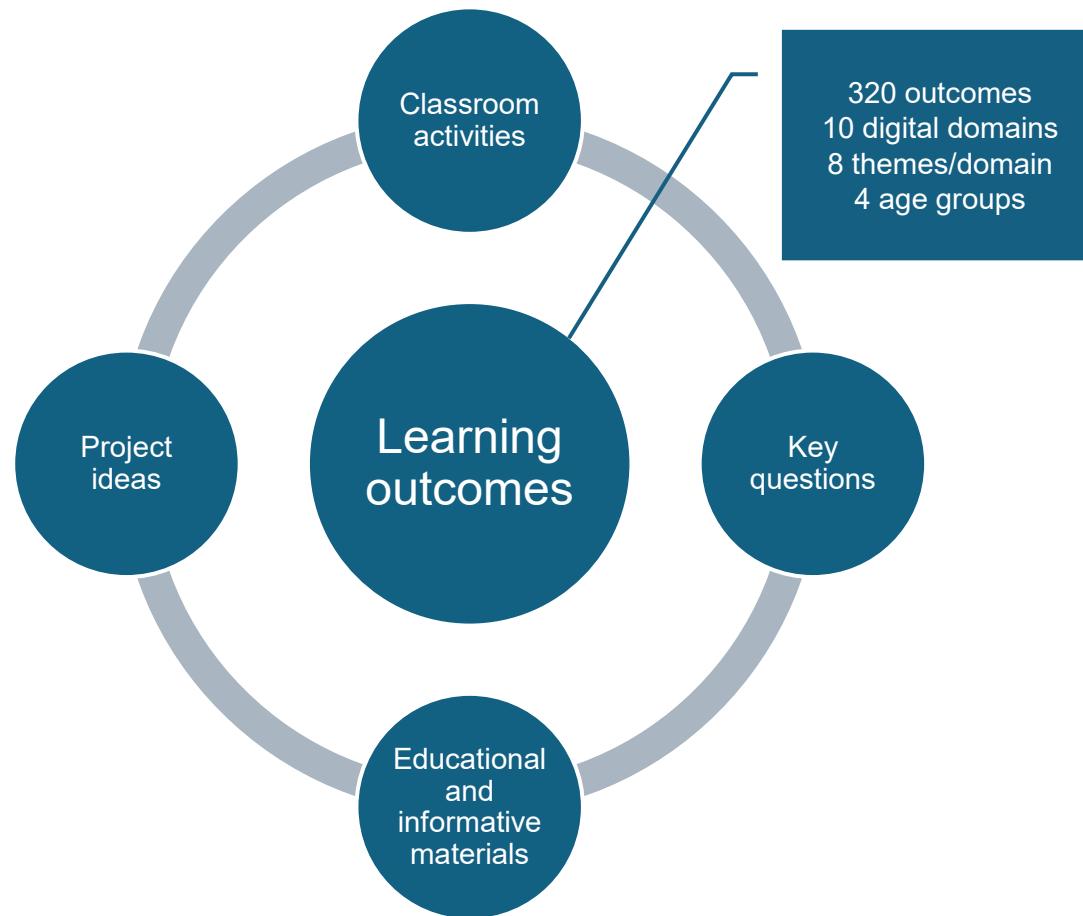
Available in 4 languages



HIGHLIGHT ON:
mapping the needs and reflections of parents as they strive to ensure the well-being of their children and help them become competent digital citizens.

Available in English

Digital Citizenship Education – DCE Planner



- **A collective effort**
 - **60** educators, experts and students, **30** member states
- **Purpose**
 - **Empowering** young citizens in the digital era
- **Features**
 - Offers an **easy and effective way** to integrate DCE into school curriculum
 - **Flexible** to meet the needs of a variety of educational professionals
 - Focuses on **teaching key principles**
 - **Simple to use** in formal and non-formal settings

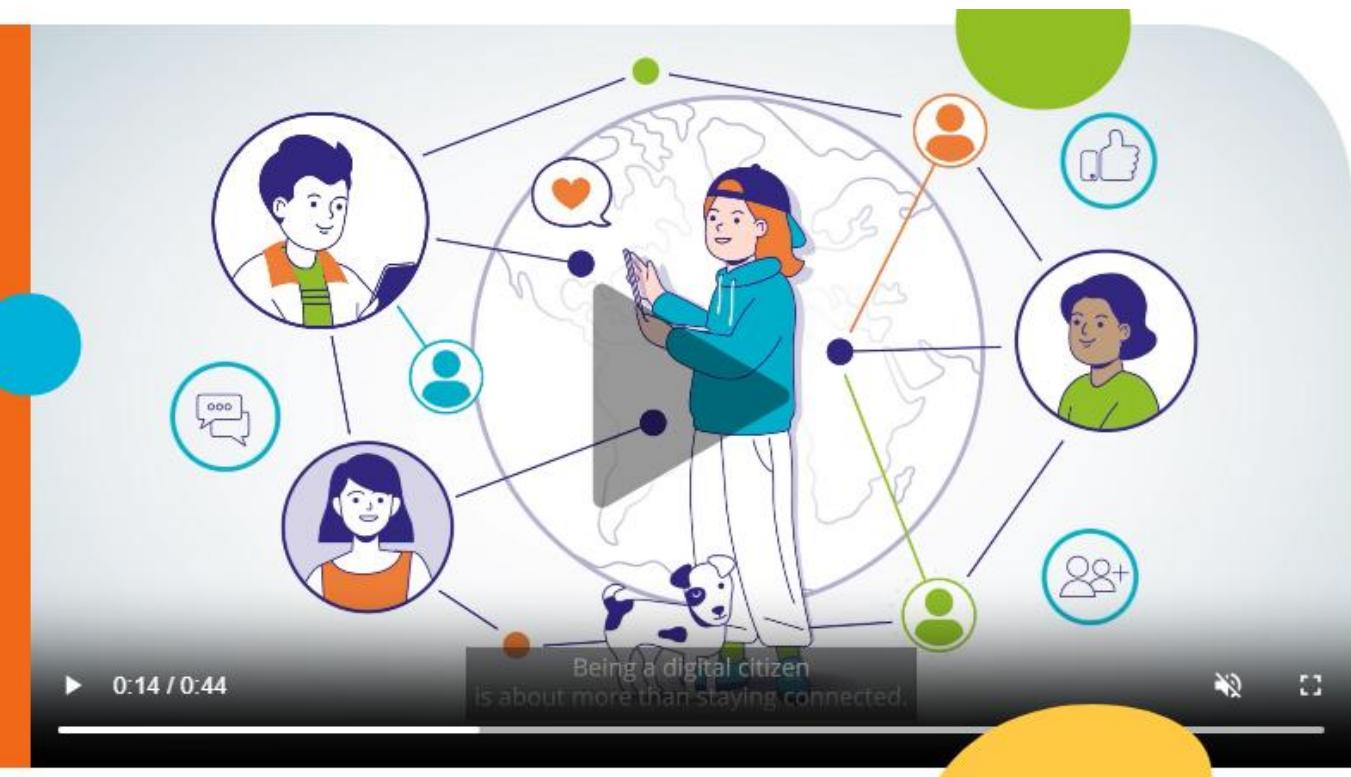
Digital Citizenship Education – DCE Promoters



European Year of Digital Citizenship Education 2025

Learn, Connect, Engage, Thrive Together!

**EUROPEAN YEAR
OF
DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP
EDUCATION 2025**



▶ 0:14 / 0:44

Being a digital citizen
is about more than staying connected.

European Year of Digital Citizenship Education 2025

Rationale

The Standing Conference of Ministers of Education of the Council of Europe member states designated the year 2025 as the “European Year of Digital Citizenship Education” at its 26th session on 29 September 2023. This initiative aims to **address the urgent need for increased efforts and investment in digital citizenship education** to effectively respond to challenges and opportunities that have emerged or been amplified by digital technologies and environment.

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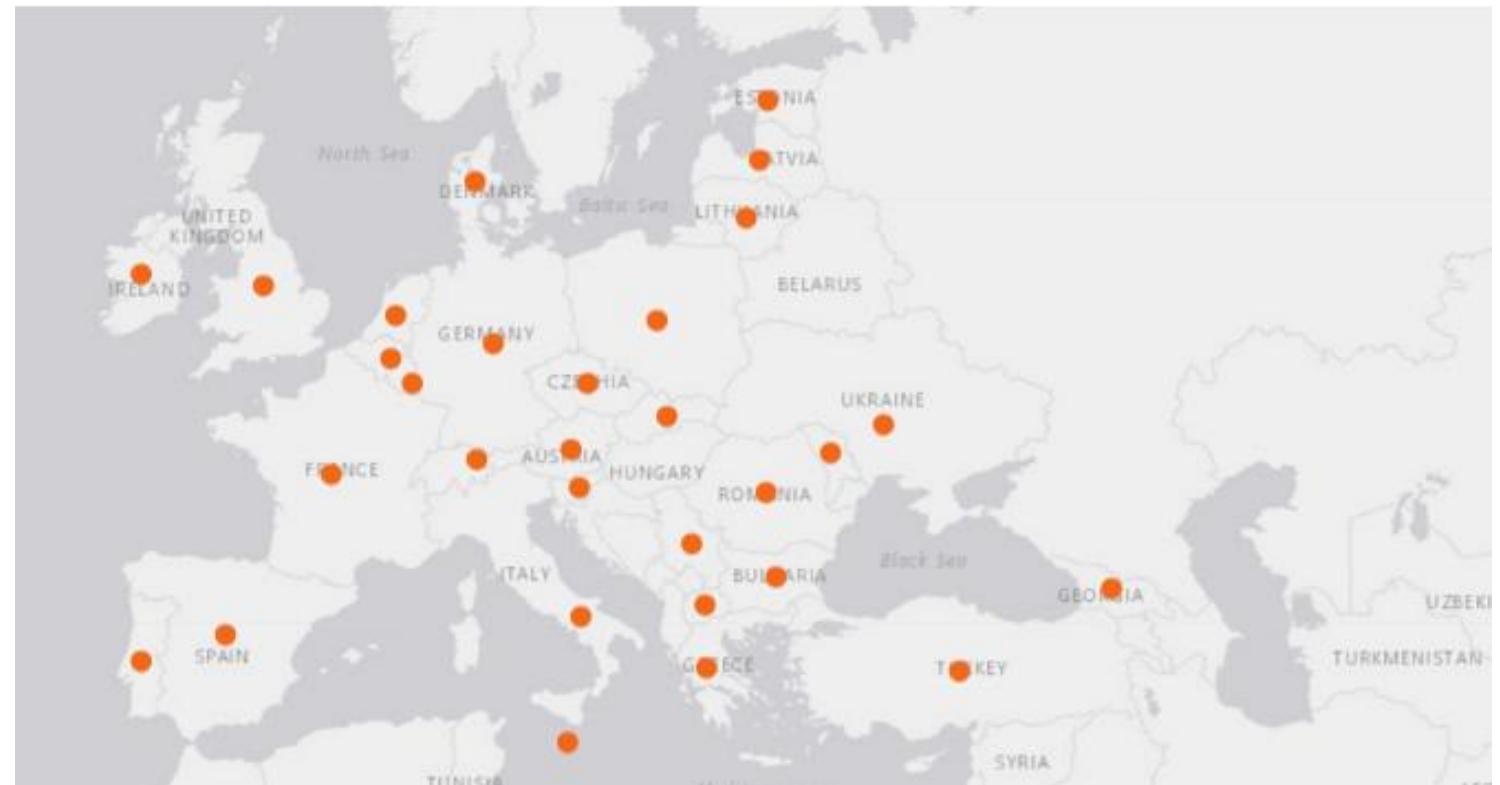
Key goals



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Actions

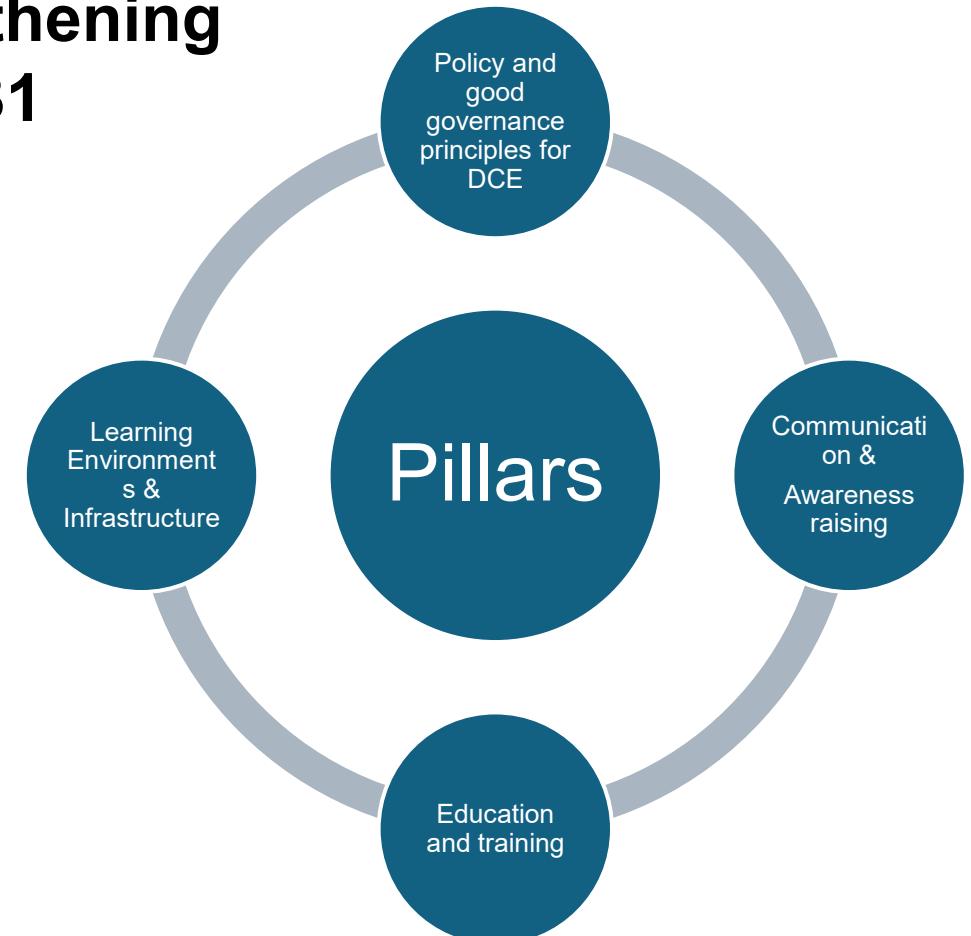
- 19 member states
- 200+ actions
- Include e.g.,
awareness raising,
teacher education and
training, policy and
curriculum
development, research



The Way Forward

Council of Europe Road Map for Strengthening Digital Citizenship Education 2027 – 2031

- **A shared endeavour**
 - Guide **co-ordinated national action** on DCE and its implementation
- **Linkages**
 - **New Democratic Pact for Europe (CoE)**
 - Digital Education Action Plan 2021 – 2027 (EC)
- **Political acceptance**
 - **CM welcomed** the development of the Road Map (134th session, 14 May 2025)



Artificial Intelligence Literacy – Concept

- **3-dimensional concept**
 - **Technical** dimension: how AI works and is developed
 - **Practical** dimension: how AI can be used effectively
 - **Human** dimension: impact of AI
- **Human dimension is central**
 - **AI literacy** addresses CoE core values
 - Lack of **sufficient emphasis**
 - **Timeproof**
- **AI literacy in legal instruments**
 - CoE Framework convention: **Art 20 Digital literacy and skills**, addresses to all segments of the population
 - EU AI Act: **Art 4 AI Literacy**, addresses to providers and deployers
- **Interpretation of AI literacy**
 - French: **maîtrise de l'IA**
 - English: **mastery of AI**

Artificial Intelligence Literacy – A Comparison

AI-GO	Technological Dimension (How AI Works)	
	Practical Dimension (Responsible Use)	
	Human Dimension (Societal Impacts)	
AI4K12	Technological Dimension (How AI Works)	
	Practical Dimension (Responsible Use)	
	Human Dimension (Societal Impacts)	
AIlit	Technological Dimension (How AI Works)	
	Practical Dimension (Responsible Use)	
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Chui et al.	Technological Dimension (How AI Works)	
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Council of Europe	Technological Dimension (How AI Works)	
	Practical Dimension (Responsible Use)	
	Human Dimension (Societal Impacts)	
Living with AI	Technological Dimension (How AI Works)	
	Practical Dimension (Responsible Use)	
	Human Dimension (Societal Impacts)	
Song et al.	Technological Dimension (How AI Works)	
	Practical Dimension (Responsible Use)	
	Human Dimension (Societal Impacts)	
UNESCO	Technological Dimension (How AI Works)	
	Practical Dimension (Responsible Use)	
	Human Dimension (Societal Impacts)	

A report prepared for the Royal Society
 Dr Veli Hillman, Professor Wayne Holmes, and We and AI

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