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**DIGITALSCOUTS: WHAT IS IT?**

**DigitalScouts - Enhancing the Digital Literacy and Participation in Europe**, is an Erasmus+ project that started in December 2022 and will end in July 2025. Its main goal is to develop an educational offer that qualifies “digital scouts” to support older people in the use of digital tools, so they can benefit from the opportunities of digitalization for social, cultural, and political participation as well as health promotion.

Through this, DigitalScouts aims to contribute to closing the still existing digital divide and to improve the availability of high-quality learning opportunities in the education of trainers, integrating an individualized, needs-based approach.

**WHAT HAVE WE DONE SO FAR?**

**CONSORTIUM MEETINGS**

DigitalScouts' project journey started with the **Kick-off meeting** that was held between January 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in Gouda, The Netherlands. The stage for collaboration continued with the **second Transnational Project Meeting**, held online between October 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023.



KICK-OFF MEETING,  
JAN 19-20, 2023

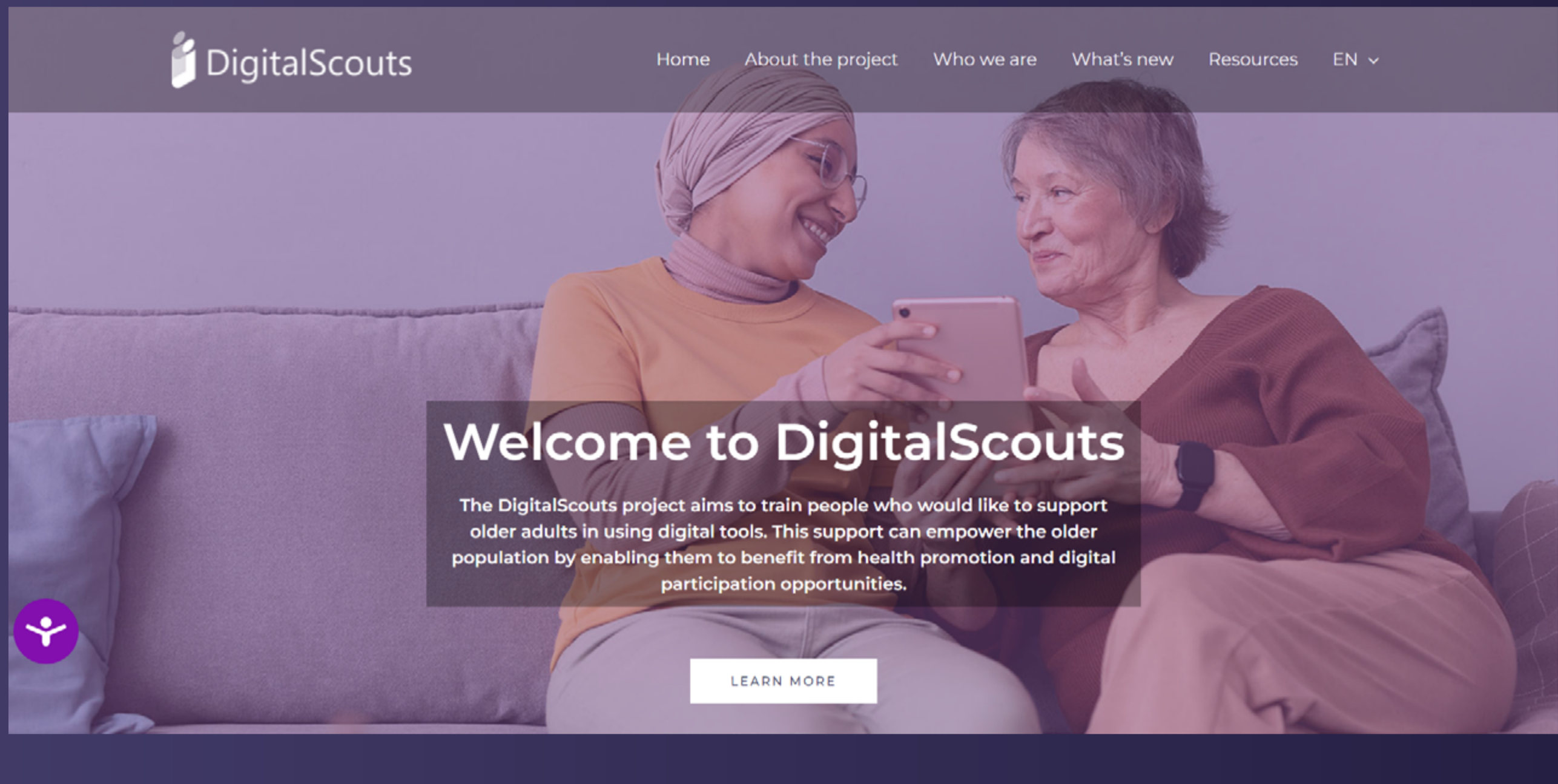


TRANSNATIONAL PROJECT MEETING,  
OCT 23-24, 2023

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**DIGITALSCOUTS.EU**

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**EUROPEAN COMPENDIUM OF GOOD PRACTICES**

**The European Compendium - Good Practices Examples of Digital Participation of people 60+** is a valuable resource featuring illustrative examples aimed to raise awareness on the status quo of digital readiness of people aged 60+ in the European Union and pave the way for further offers of digital literacy training for older adults.

Within this compendium, you will discover compelling good practice examples of digital participation of people aged 60+ identified in our partner countries - Austria, Germany, Portugal, Romania, and the Netherlands. The ultimate goal is to inspire municipal stakeholders, policymakers, organisations, and individuals to prioritise digital inclusion for older adults.

Good practices are organized into key phases for achieving success, including identifying the target group and their needs, employing participatory design approaches, fostering meaning and purpose, empowering the target group, providing ongoing support, and creating broader societal impacts.

Dedicated to promoting widespread access, comprehension, and inclusivity, the Compendium is available in the national languages of our valued partners: **Dutch, German, Portuguese, and Romanian.**



[DOWNLOAD THE COMPENDIUM \(PDF.\)](#)

**NATIONAL REPORTS**

How does digital participation among people aged 60+ vary across countries in terms of readiness, support structures, professionalization of supporters, and available opportunities? Discover the research findings from our desk research and interviews conducted in: Germany, Portugal, The Netherlands, Romania, and Austria. Download the report in your country of interest below by clicking the national flag:



**LEAFLET RELEASED**

Our leaflet disseminates the DigitalScouts project's core mission and introduces it effectively during interviews with potential digital scouts and experts.

[DOWNLOAD THE LEAFLET \(PDF.\)](#)



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