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THE DIGITALSCOUTS PROJECT WRAPS UP: A JOURNEY OF IMPACT AND INNOVATION

As the DigitalScouts project draws to a close on July 31st, we reflect on a rewarding journey of cross-border collaboration and shared learning.



Over the course of the project, we have developed an innovative "train the trainer" programme, supported by a dedicated digital learning platform. Each partner organisation conducted interviews in their respective countries to develop the curriculum and refining the content across four learning modules, followed by test-run sessions at national level to evaluate both the relevance of the content and the functionalities of the platform. Thanks to these efforts, the DigitalScouts platform is now ready to empower future "digital scouts" - individuals who want to help older adults confidently navigate the digital world.

Although the project activities are coming to an end, our work continues. We are committed to ensuring that the tools, resources, and networks built through DigitalScouts remain accessible and impactful. Our ambition is to keep supporting digital inclusion and literacy across Europe and beyond. **Take a moment to check out what we have developed!**

Thank you for being part of this journey!

A LOOK BACK AT OUR FINAL MONTHS

The past few months have been filled with testing, fine-tuning, and engagement with learners and partners across Europe. From final pilot meetings to multiplier events and platform and toolkit adjustments, we have been focused on ensuring the project's outcomes are impactful and lasting.

DIGITALSCOUTS SHOWCASED IN VILNIUS: TRAINING SCHOOL ON PARTICIPATORY APPROACHES WITH OLDER ADULTS AND EUROPEAN MULTIPLIER EVENT

In April 2025, the DigitalScouts project was proudly featured at the Training School in Vilnius, Lithuania, organised by COST Action PAAR-Net. The event focused on participatory co-creation methods with older adults, bringing together practitioners and researchers from across Europe.

Jana Eckert, coordinator of DigitalScouts, presented a promotional video introducing the project's e-learning platform, followed by a rich exchange of reflections from each partner about their national co-creation experiences during the training phase. The session culminated in a hands-on workshop where participants explored the platform directly on their smartphones, gaining first-hand insight into its intuitive features and practical applications.

The event also served as the stage for the DigitalScouts European Multiplier Event, welcoming stakeholders from various countries. It provided a valuable space for networking, exchanging ideas, and exploring opportunities for future collaboration.

Read more here.



DigitalScouts European Multiplier Event, Vilnius.

DIGITALSCOUTS LEARNING PLATFORM AND TOOLKIT VALIDATION

From December 2024 to July 2025, the DigitalScouts consortium conducted a comprehensive validation of the learning platform and toolkit. This process included a series of test-run sessions with potential digital scouts (such as volunteers and adult education providers), a post-survey among the learners as well as national multiplier events, bringing together educators, lifelong learning professionals, policymakers and stakeholders from the social sector.

Feedback gathered during these events helped assess the relevance, usability, and impact of both the training content and the learning platform. The insights were used to fine-tune the platform ahead of its final release, ensuring it is accessible, user-friendly, and applicable in real-life contexts.

Read more about here.



Portuguese National Multiplier Event, Porto



Romanian National Multiplier Event, Bucharest



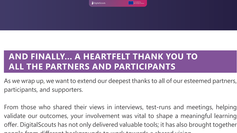
German National Multiplier Event, Bad Schwalbach

LAST TRANSNATIONAL PROJECT MEETING IN FRANKFURT

On July 2-3, 2025, the DigitalScouts consortium gathered in Frankfurt, Germany, for the final Transnational Project Meeting (TPM). Hosted by ISIS Institut für Soziale Infrastruktur, the meeting brought partners together to share updates and coordinate the final steps before the launch of the DigitalScouts Platform and Toolkit.

Discussions focused on final improvements to the learning platform, the completion of the toolkit, and its translations. To support the long-term impact of the project, partners also conducted a SWOT analysis to examine the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats related to the sustainability of project outcomes. The meeting concluded with an exchange of ideas on how to continue collaboration beyond the project's official end.

Read more here.



Final Transnational Project Meeting, Jul 2-3, 2025

OUR LEGACY: TOOLS AND RESOURCES TO SUPPORT DIGITAL SCOUTS

After 2 and a half years of collaboration, testing, and learning, the DigitalScouts project leaves behind a set of high-quality, practical tools and resources designed to support digital inclusion among older adults across Europe. These resources are now freely available for future "digital scouts", educators, trainers, volunteers, and anyone interested in empowering older adults to confidently navigate the digital world.

Explore our key outcomes below - ready to be used and shared in your own work.

European Compendium of Good Practices of digital participation of people 60+: A comprehensive collection of inspiring approaches and real-life examples from across Europe, showcasing initiatives supporting older adults in the digital transition. This can be used as a guide, a source of inspiration, or a starting point for shaping digital literacy offers.



National Reports on digital participation of people 60+: readiness, support structures, professionalisation of supporters and examples of opportunities.

DigitalScouts e-learning platform:
A learning platform designed to train "digital scouts" - individuals who want to support older adults in using digital tools. The platform includes four comprehensive learning modules, comprising a total of 17 courses and practical guidance, and is available in multiple languages – English, Dutch, German, Italian, Portuguese and Romanian.
Access here: https://digitalscouts.eu/entrance/

Entrance page of the DigitalScouts platform and an example courses page from Module 0.

Digital Training Toolkit:
While the e-learning platform can be used as a stand-alone self-learning resource, the hands-on toolkit offers step-by-step guidance, templates, and training materials to support trainers and educators in delivering DigitalScouts training in a blended learning format. Together, the DigitalScouts platform and toolkit enable training providers to offer flexible, learner-centred training tailored to the needs of future digital scouts.



AND FINALLY... A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARTNERS AND PARTICIPANTS

As we wrap up, we want to extend our deepest thanks to all of our esteemed partners, participants, and supporters.

From those who shared their views in interviews, test-runs and meetings, helping validate our outcomes, your involvement was vital to shape a meaningful learning offer. DigitalScouts has not only delivered valuable tools; it has also brought together people from different backgrounds to work towards a shared vision.

Thank you for your energy, ideas, and commitment to make this work meaningful.

Meet all the partners here.

Keep tuned and explore additional insights by visiting our website, where you can access a wealth of resources, including reports, news updates, and videos!

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