

Digital Transformation of Industry and Enterprises The EU vision, strategy and actions



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Digital matters to European economy



75% of the **economic value** created by the Internet arises from traditional companies that are using web-based applications



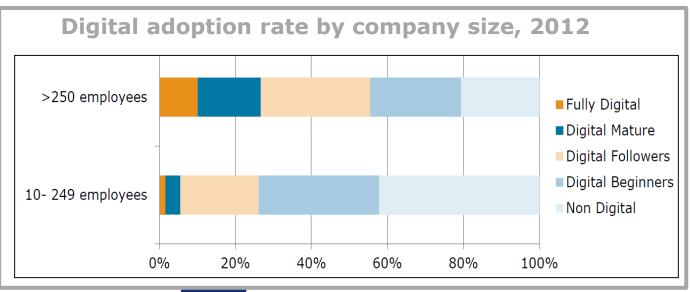
1.5m additional jobs would be created in the EU Internet Economy, if the entire EU mirrors the performance of US or Sweden





EU BUSINESSES ARE SLOW TO EMBRACE THE CHANGE

- ✓ Only 14% of SMEs use the internet as a sales channel
- √ 41% of EU companies still haven't adopted the second wave of advanced digital technologies (mobile, social media, cloud computing and big data)
- ✓ Progress is uneven among sectors and slow, especially for SMEs





Why is a strong Digital Single Market important for Europe?

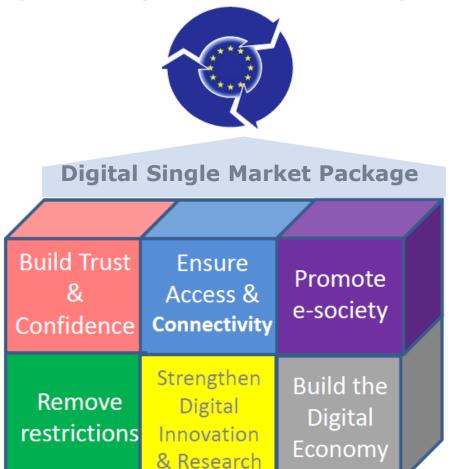


Europe and its companies cannot afford to miss the opportunities offered by a fast growing digital economy. For this to happen, we need a strong Digital Single Market to overcome the fragmentation of the internal market and divergent national regimes. It is time to unlock the growth that this economy could generate. This is a clear priority for the European Commission.

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Digital Single Market Package







Initiatives on Digital Entrepreneurship and Member States Policies (I)



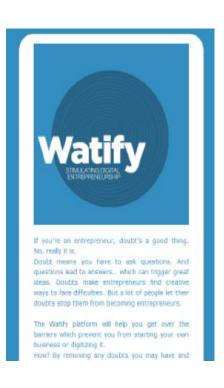
The **Digital Entrepreneurship Monitor** monitors the key technological and market trends, emerging business opportunities, new business paradigms and their impact on the European economy.

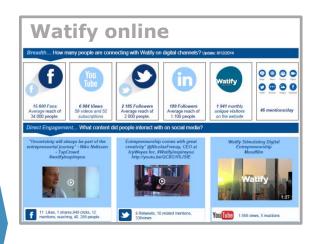


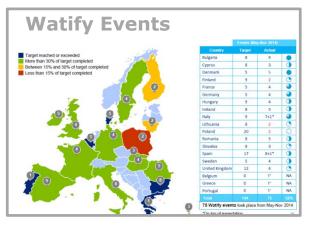




Initiatives on Digital Entrepreneurship and Member States Policies (II)













GOVERNANCE The Strategic Policy Forum on Digital Entrepreneurship

Aim: To reinforce the dialogue among business, science and politics with the aim of shaping a common EU vision, and ambitious strategy to boost digital transformation in Europe.

- Composition: 34 members
- Chair: John Higgins, Director General, Digital Europe
- **Industry representatives**: digital entrepreneurs, traditional industries, technology providers and business associations;
- **Private organisations,** NGOs, universities, research organisations, policy analysts, venture capital firms, etc.
- **International Organisations + Public authorities**



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The Member State Board on Digital Entrepreneurship

The Member States Board assists the European Commission in shaping a common EU vision, and strategy on digital entrepreneurship.

It is composed of **policy makers, leading the digital transformation strategies** in their countries, with the view to:

- ✓ promote the implementation of the digital entrepreneurship strategy at EU, national, and local level.
- ✓ ensure coherence and coordination among European, national, and regional policies and actions, under a common framework, to maximise EU-wide impact



Further info:

http://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/digital-economy/index_en.htm

Thank you

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