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The Digital Education Action Plan¹ (DEAP) sets out a vision for high-quality and inclusive digital education. Its implementation started in 2021 and is fully on track. The Commission is currently undertaking the DEAP's review, which will demonstrate progress to date and highlight persisting and emerging challenges. The findings will be published alongside the Roadmap on the future of digital education and training², contributing to the objectives of the Union of Skills.

The Roadmap will pave the way for the Commission's future initiatives to support digital education in Europe.

Under the current Plan, the *Council Recommendation on the key enabling factors for successful digital education and training*³, adopted in 2023, promotes equitable and impact-focused investment in digital education: Member States are called to provide equal access to all learners by investing in high-speed internet connectivity in all education and training institutions and close territorial and socio-economic gaps, in line with the EU-level targets for the Digital Decade Programme 2030⁴.

The online tool SELFIE (Self-reflection on Effective Learning by Fostering the use of Innovative Educational technologies) for Teachers⁵ supports the digital skills of educators, complemented by the work done through the Teachers' Academies⁶, which support educators' professional development, including on digital skills. Substantial EU funds are devoted to digital education and skills: the Recovery and Resilience Facility⁷ (EUR 25.7 billion), Cohesion Policy funds⁸ (the European Social Fund Plus and the European Regional Development Fund) and the Erasmus+ programme (EUR 834.2 million in 2023)⁹.

¹ <https://education.ec.europa.eu/focus-topics/digital-education/action-plan>

² To be published in 2025.

³ Council Recommendation of 23 November 2023 on the key enabling factors for successful digital education and training (OJ C, C/2024/1115, 24.1.2024).

⁴ Decision (EU) 2022/2481 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2022 establishing the Digital Decade Policy Programme 2030 (OJ L 323, 19.12.2022, p. 4).

⁵ <https://education.ec.europa.eu/selfie-for-teachers>

⁶ <https://education.ec.europa.eu/education-levels/school-education/erasmus-teacher-academies>

⁷ https://commission.europa.eu/business-economy-euro/economic-recovery/recovery-and-resilience-facility_en

⁸ https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/funding/available-budget_en

⁹ <https://data.europa.eu/doi/10.2766/833629>