

### A Digital Single Market for Europe

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### **President Juncker's Political Guidelines**

Connected DSM – with growth and jobs - highest on political agenda:

"break down national silos in telecoms regulation, in copyright and data protection legislation, in the management of radio waves and in the application of competition law"

### What is the Digital Single Market?

"The **Digital Single Market** means an area where the free movement of goods, persons, services and capital is ensured and where **citizens** and **businesses** can therefore seamlessly access and exercise online activities under conditions of fair competition, irrespective of their nationality or place of residence."



## Why we need a Digital Single Market

315 million Europeans use the Internet every day



A Digital Single Market can create up to

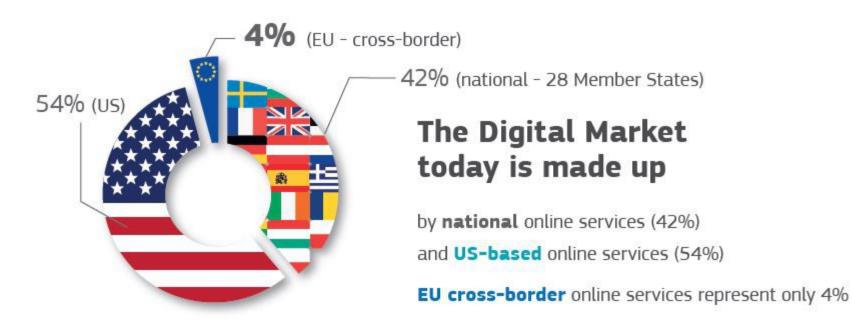
€415 billion in additional growth,

hundreds of thousands of new jobs,

and a vibrant knowledge-based society



### But obstacles remain to unlock this potential...

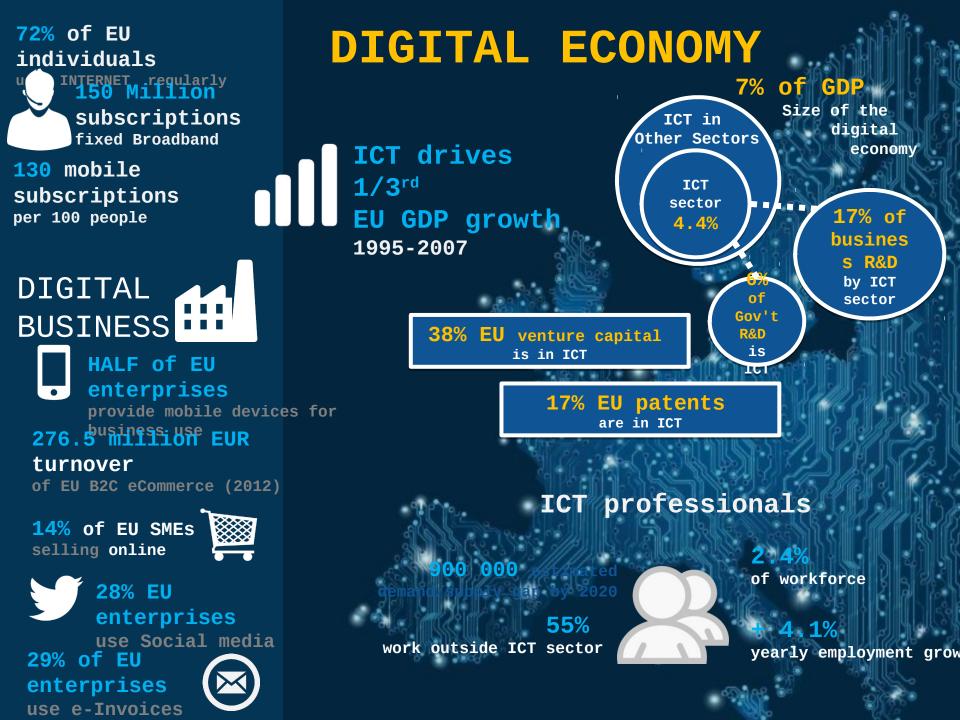




### Why the Digital Single Market ?

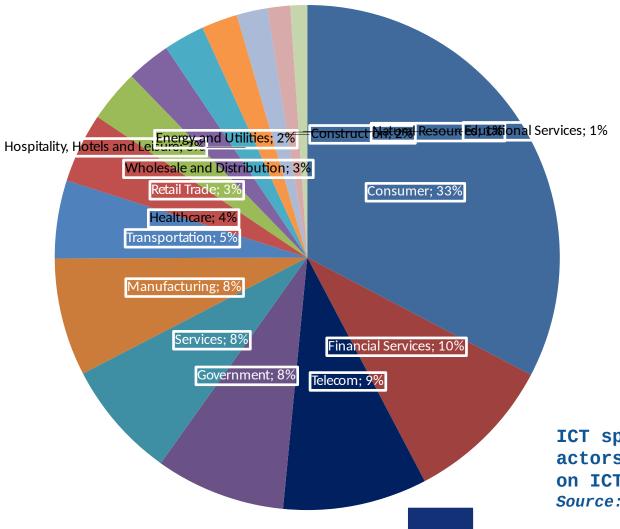
- The global economy is rapidly becoming digital
- Changes in our society are happening at a very fast pace and require European solutions
- Improve cross-border opportunities for businesses and citizens
- Keep the EU on an equal footing with other major world economies

# Focus on limited number of coherent, high-impact initiatives





### All sectors are dependent on ICT



ICT spending by category of actors (% of total spending on ICT in 2012) Source: OECD



Better access for consumers and businesses Geoblocking
Copyright
E-commerce
Parcel delivery
Reducing VAT burden

Advanced digital networks and innovative services

Telecoms market
Media services
Platforms and intermediaries
Trust and security

Enhance the digital economy

Data economy
Inclusive digital economy and society
Interoperability and standardisation



### Creating a European Digital Economy and society with growth potential

#### **Big data and cloud**



Digital data stored in cloud: 2013: 20% - 2020: 40%

The use of big data by the top 100 EU manufacturers could lead to **savings worth €425 billion** 

Studies estimate that, by 2020, big data analytics could boost EU economic growth by an additional **1.9%**, equalling a **GDP increase of €206 billion** 

#### An inclusive e-society

Almost half the EU population (47%) is not properly digitally skilled, yet in the near future, 90% of jobs will require some level of digital skills A strategy of 'digital by default' in the public sector could result in around €10 billion of annual savings



### **Enhance the digital economy**

#### 1. Data economy

#### 2. Interoperability and standardization

A fragmented market does not provide sufficient scale for cloud computing and <u>**Big**</u> <u>**Data**</u> to reach their full potential in Europe.

The Big Data sector is growing by 40% per year, seven times faster than the IT market

The Commission will propose a European '<u>Free flow of data initiative</u>', tackling unjustified barriers - **2016**  <u>Interoperability</u> allows for effective communication between digital components like devices, networks or data repositories

The Commission will launch an **integrated standardisation plan** defining key priorities for standardisation for technologies that are critical for the Digital Single Market



#### 3. An inclusive e-society

Demand for digitally skilled employees is growing by around 4% a year.

The Commission will address <u>digital skills and</u> <u>expertise</u> as a key component of its future initiatives on skills and training.

#### 4. E-government

More can be done to modernise public administration, **cross-border interoperability** and facilitate easy interaction with citizens.

Only in 48% of cases do public administrations **reuse** information about the citizen or companies that is already in their possession without asking again

The Commission will present a new e-Government Action Plan 2016-2020 - **2016** 



### The DSM and geo-spatial information

- Digital services in a data-based economy: digital services such as cloud computing, big data (including data-driven science and **geo-spatial data**) and the Internet of Things have become a central element of the EU's competitiveness, an enabler for innovation and a catalyst for economic growth and jobs.
- Recent policy evaluations of the PSI Directive and the Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the EU (INSPIRE) Directive demonstrate the need for public authorities to improve the sharing and re-use of their data.
- The market size and growth of the geospatial information sector, covered both by the PSI and INSPIRE Directives, shows the potential of public data as an engine for job creation



### **International dimension**

The scale provided by a completed Digital Single Market will help companies to grow beyond the EU internal market and make the EU an even more attractive location for global companies.

Barriers to global digital trade particularly affect European companies.

An ambitious digital trade and investment policy should be further developed including by means of the EU's free trade agreements.



### **Governance & High level support**

- The success of the DSM is based on ensuring the European Parliament, Member States and stakeholder involvement and consensus
- The concentrated efforts of the DSM need political support from the highest level.

Council to endorse the Strategy's objectives and regularly review progress in implementation



### Roadmap for completing the Digital Single Market /// Initiatives

2015

#### 2016

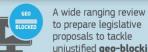
#### Better access for consumers and businesses to digital goods and services across Europe

Legislative proposals for simple and effective cross-border contract rules for consumers and businesses

Competition sector inquiry into e-commerce, relating to the online

trade of goods and the online

provision of services



to prepare legislative proposals to tackle unjustified geo-blocking

Legislative proposals for a reform of the copyright regime

Review of the Regulation on **Consumer Protection Cooperation** 

Legislative proposals to reduce the administrative burden on businesses arising from different **VAT** regimes

#### Measures in the area of parcel delivery



#### Creating the right conditions for digital networks and services to flourish

Comprehensive analysis of the role of **platforms** in the market including **illegal content** on the Internet



Legislative proposals to reform the current telecoms rules and the Audiovisual Media Services Directive

Establishment of a Cybersecurity contractual Public-Private Partnership Review of the e-Privacy Directive



#### Maximising the growth potential of the Digital Economy



Adoption of a **Priority ICT** Standards Plan and extending the European Interoperability Framework for public services

Initiatives on data ownership. free flow of data (e.g. between cloud providers) and on a European Cloud

#### New e-Government Action Plan

including an initiative on the 'Once-Only' principle and an initiative on mandatory interconnection of business registers

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### **#DigitalSingleMarket engagement**

- Roundtables with key stakeholders
- Meetings with senior officials and Commissioners
- Twitter chats with Oettinger & Ansip
- *#Digital4EU stakeholder forum, 24 February*
- *#Digital4EU online engagement, 24 February onwards*
- Going Local, 6 May onwards
- Digital Assembly, 17-18 June, Riga







### **Going Local 2015**

- Purpose: <u>Present, gain understanding and seek support for</u> <u>DSM</u>
- Audience: <u>local digital stakeholders, national, regional, local</u> <u>authorities, citizens</u>
- Timing: May onwards
- Teams: Ambassadors from DSM DGs, supported by country teams + Representations + Digital Champions
- Coordination: European Commission, DG CONNECT



### https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/going-local





### **Going Local Sweden, 8 May**

 DSM debate at EC Representation during Europe day – organised by
 Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions

- DG CONNECT Going Local Ambassador, MEP, Municipal Director, Office of Foreign Affairs, 80 stakeholders





Calendar

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20-21 April	Bulgaria, VP Ansip + Citizens Dialogue
30 April	Sweden, VP Ansip
7 May	Czech Rep, Jourova
7 May	Denmark, Vestager
8 May	Sweden, Going Local Ambassador
8 May	<b>Estonia</b> , VP Ansip
13 May	Estonia, Going Local Ambassador
14 May	<b>Poland</b> , VP Ansip
21-22 May	Slovenia, Going Local Ambassador
26 May	Norway, Going Local team
27 May	France, Going Local Ambassador
8-9 June	Croatia, Going Local Ambassador
8 June	Finland, Going Local Ambassador
9 June	Belgium, Going Local Ambassador
10 June	France, Going Local Ambassador
11 June	Netherlands, Going Local Ambassador
16 June	Latvia, Going Local Ambassador
17-18 June	Luxembourg, Going Local Ambassador
22-23 June	UK, Going Local Ambassador
24 June	France, Going Local Ambassador
26 June	Austria, Going Local Ambassador
29-30 June	Greece, Going Local Ambassador
6 July	Portugal, Going Local Ambassador

**Number of** confirmed upcoming Going Local events May 4 June 12 July 3 3 Sept October 1



Digital Agenda <u>http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en</u>

Digital Single Market http://ec.europa.eu/priorities/digital-single-market/

Going Local <u>https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/going-local</u>

Big and Open Data, the PSI Directive https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/content-and-media/data



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