

# **The Permanent Study Group**

## **DIGITAL AGENDA**

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# Mission

- Europe 2020 is the EU's main strategy for delivering smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, and the *Digital Agenda for Europe* (DAE) is one of its seven flagship initiatives.
- The European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) supports the DAE implementation through a **permanent study group of 15 members belonging to the TEN Section**.
- *Its mission is to work towards bringing the EU's strategy and legislation on the information society more in line with the expectations of European civil society.*

# Key Areas

Four key areas have been identified where critical issues urgently need to be addressed:

- Equal access for everybody (e-inclusion)
- The digital sector's strong economic impact, in particular its net employment growth
- The development and availability of useful online content and services
- Strong protection of basic fundamental rights like privacy, personal security and dignity, freedom of expression and the circulation of ideas.

# Going Local Events

The DAE permanent study group is planning to hold more of events “going local” in order to promote civil society participation – at the national, regional, and local levels - in the DAE's implementation.

Last four successful *Digital Agenda going local* events, held in **Dublin (2011), Riga (2012), Warsaw (June 2013) and Malta (September 2013)**.

**Palermo, 30 October 2014**

**“Boosting Growth And Employment  
Through Improving ICT  
Infrastructures and Broadband”**

**A Going Local Event in Cooperation  
with The Sicilian Region**

# OPINIONS

Internet Governance

E-Health

Cybersecurity, Cyber Attacks

Social Innovation, Networking & Digital Communic.

Digital Society: access, education, employment

Responsible Use of Social Networks

Internet&Children

Electronic Transaction

# OPINIONS

Digital Market

Net Neutrality

Cloud Computing

Roaming

eGovernment and Interoperability

Digital Literacy, eSkills, eInclusion

Digital Cinema .....etc. etc.