

DIGITAL SECURITY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

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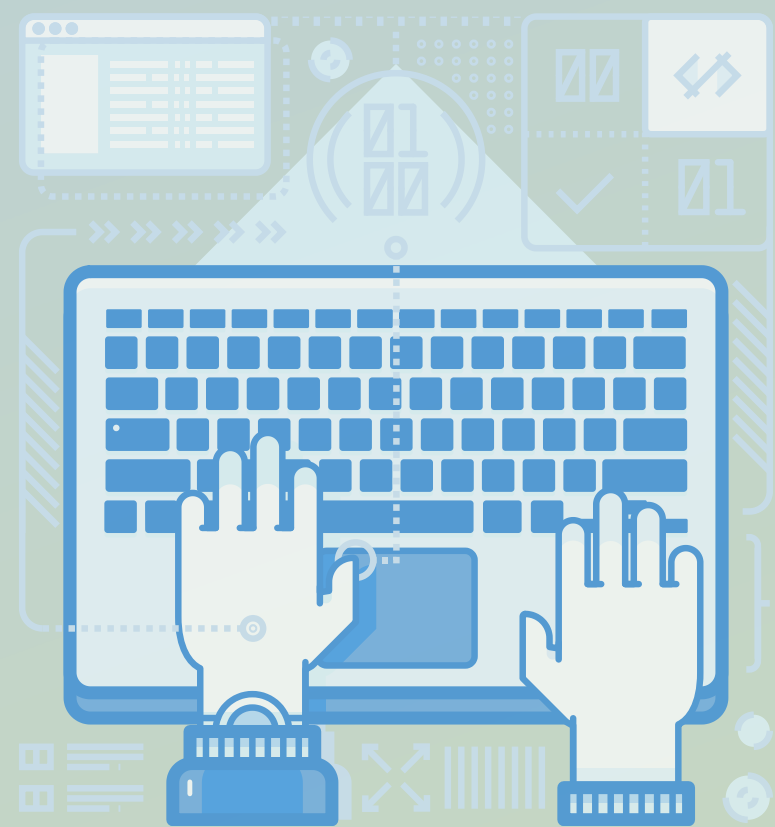
What is the project about?

The Digital Security for Senior Citizens (DiSC) project will support senior citizens to be able to identify and protect against cybersecurity threats and scams. We will do this by increasing their digital skills, knowledge and awareness of the ever evolving threats which target people through technological devices.



The DiSC project will last 24 months from the 1st December 2020 until the 30th November 2022.

How will the project help senior citizens?



The **Framework of Digital Security Competences** will guide senior citizens to identify and understand the skills which will help them protect themselves from digital security threats.

The **Benchmarking Tool** will facilitate the use of the framework in a practical way for senior citizens to measure their level of digital security skills and knowledge.

The **Online Serious Board Game** will provide senior citizens with a tool to practice their digital security skills in a safe, virtual environment.

The **Evidence-Based Policy Recommendations** will provide decision makers with key data to make informed decisions on digital security policy.



The five European organisations working collaboratively to deliver the project are:



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United Kingdom



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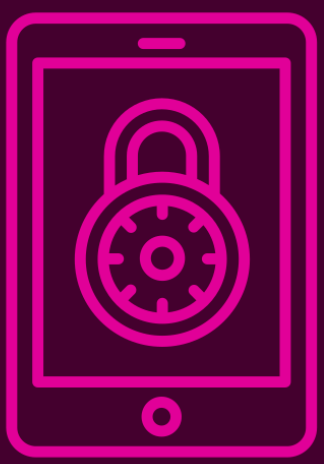
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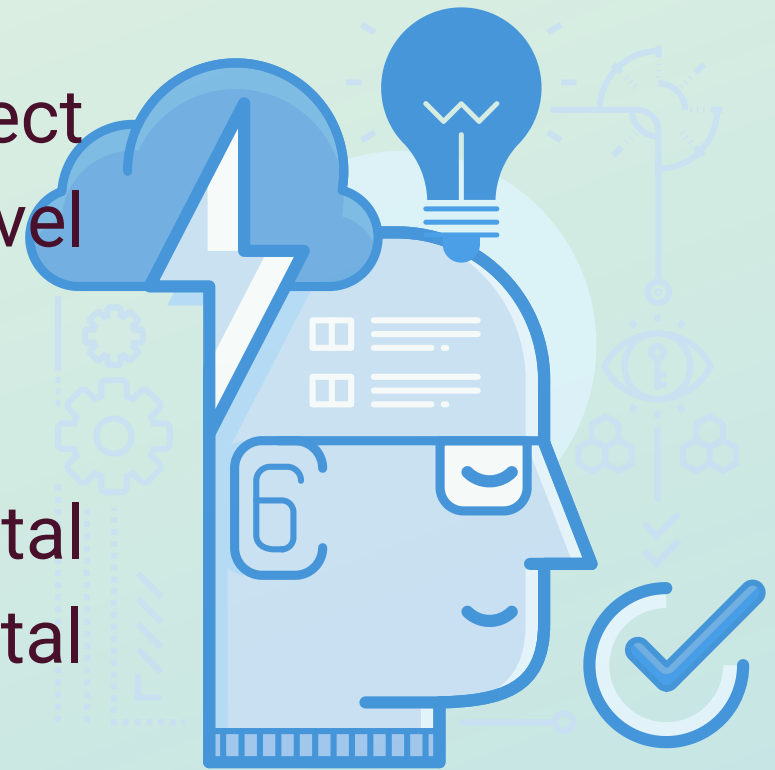


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What has happened so far?

The DiSC consortium members met for the first transnational project meeting on the 14th of December 2020. Due to the ongoing travel restrictions the meeting took place online using Skype.

The project partners have begun work on the Framework of Digital Security Competences and have drafted the fundamental competencies, the levels of proficiency and the descriptors.



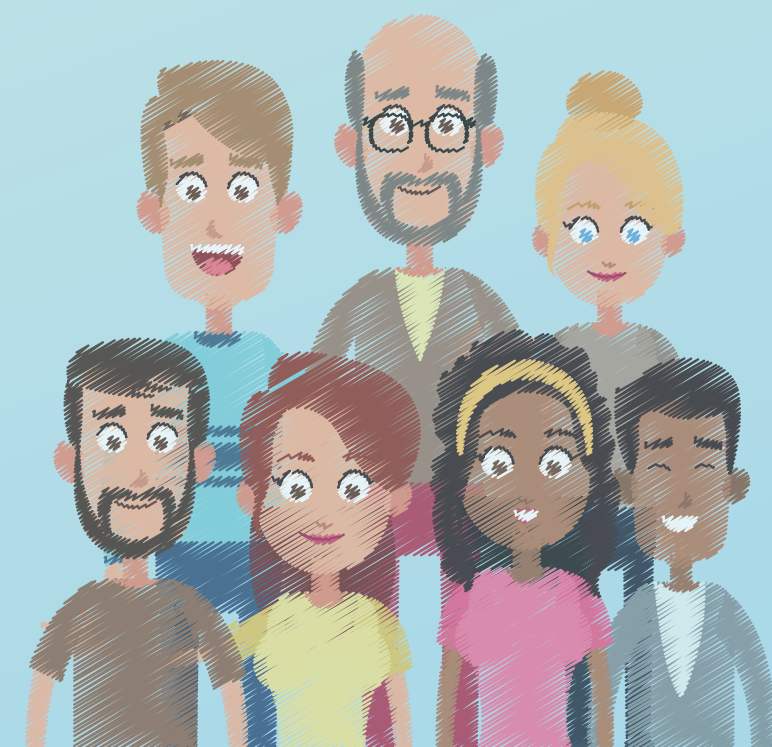
The consortium is currently carrying out research to gather information about the existing provision of digital security guidelines and available support from different European countries. This combines desk research to analyse national and regional policy documents and reports, as well as focus groups and interviews with key stakeholders to support the project's co-creation philosophy.

What are the next steps?

The consortium will complete the Framework of Digital Security Competences at the end of May 2021, and work on the Benchmarking Tool will begin. The next transnational project meeting is due to take place in Larissa, Greece in June 2021, and we hope that the Coronavirus situation has improved across Europe so the meeting can take place physically.



How can I get involved?



Piloting Phase 1 runs from Sept to Oct 2021 to gather feedback on the Framework of Digital Security Competences and the Benchmarking Tool, and provide input towards the Online Game. We are keen to involve as wide a range of stakeholders as possible, and welcome all interest, ideas and input on the project. Please email us for more information.

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