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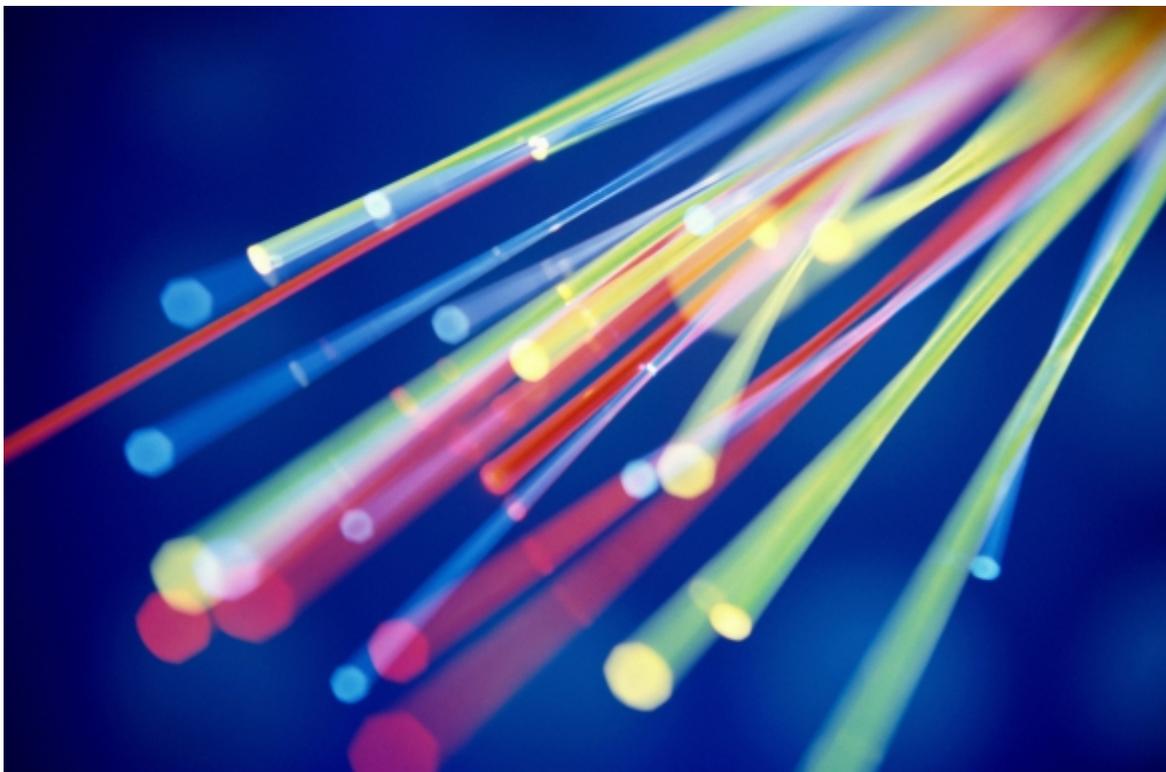
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Broadband Europe promotes the European Commission's vision and policy actions to turn Europe into a Gigabit Society by 2025.



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The Commission's strategy on [Connectivity for a European Gigabit Society](#) [2], adopted in September 2016, sets a vision of Europe where availability and take-up of very high capacity networks enables the widespread use of products, services and applications in the [Digital Single Market](#) [3].

This vision relies on three main strategic objectives for 2025:

- Gigabit connectivity for all of the main socio-economic drivers,
- uninterrupted 5G coverage for all urban areas and major terrestrial transport paths, and
- access to connectivity offering at least 100 Mbps for all European households.

It confirms and builds upon the previous broadband objectives for 2020, to supply every European

with access to at least 30 Mbps connectivity, and to provide half of European households with connectivity rates of 100 Mbps. Furthermore, it calls for [5G connectivity](#) [4] to be available in at least one major city in each Member State by 2020 at the latest.

The Commission has also launched a series of complementary initiatives to help reach these objectives. This effort includes a major legislative proposal for a [European Communications Code](#) [5], a [5G Action Plan](#) [6] and an [initiative to bring free access to WiFi connectivity](#) [7] in public spaces like parks, libraries and squares. Check the overview of [strategy and policy](#) [8] actions taken within the [Digital Single Market](#) [9] initiative.

Broadband Europe showcases more than 200 successful European broadband projects in a [database of good practices](#) [10]. It also provides information and guidance on [investing in broadband development](#) [11], [technological solutions](#) [12], [business models](#) [13], [financing tools](#) [14] and [measures to reduce the costs of broadband deployment](#) [15].

The [country pages](#) [16] for each Member State provide information on developments in broadband, the national broadband strategies and policies, financial instruments, major projects, links to publications and contact information of responsible authorities. The [network of the Broadband Competence Offices](#) [17] supports broadband deployment across the EU.

The Europe-wide competition for the [European Broadband Awards](#) [18] aims at identifying the most successful projects of high-speed network development.

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