





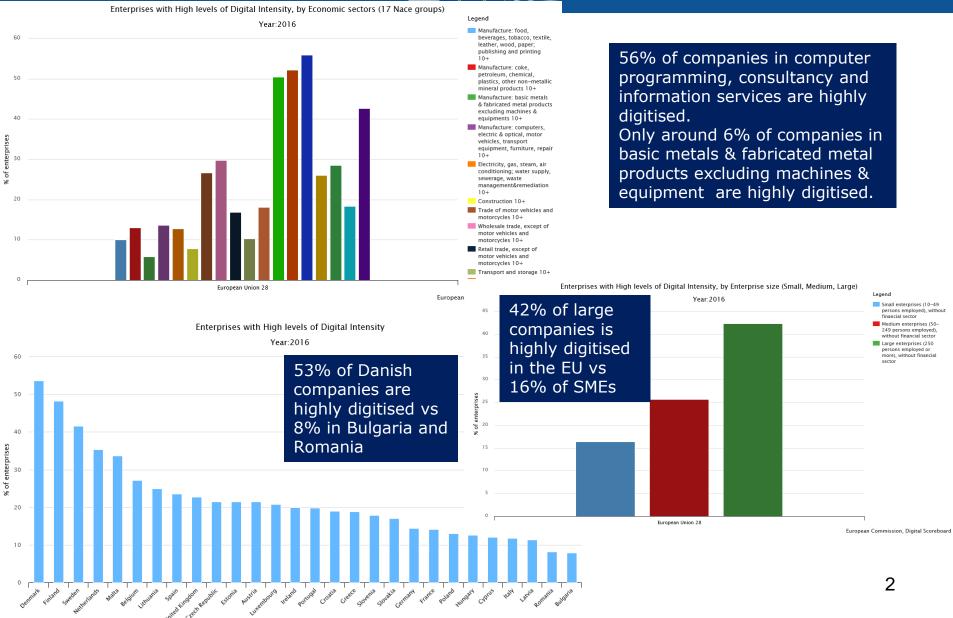
The role of Digital Innovation Hubs (DIHs)

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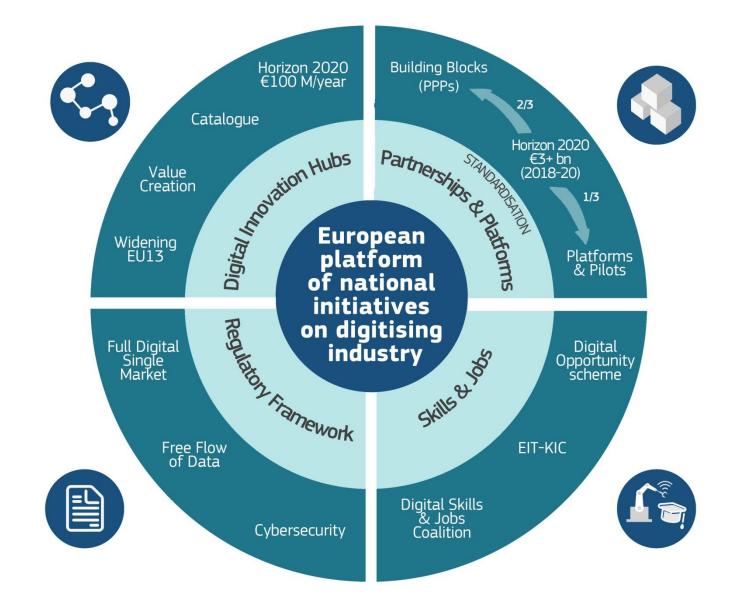
Level of digitisation differs according to size of company, sector and region



European Commission, Digital Scoreboard









Launch 3 Working Groups to derive recommendations to the High-Level Governance Meeting within 1 year

- 1. WG on **Digital Innovation Hubs** addressing issues such as
 - Raising awareness and engaging SMEs
 - Improving access to finance for SMEs
 - Networking and collaboration including business models
 - Role of MSs and regions for the development of DIHs
 - Reinforce digital skills and training dimension
- 2. Joint WG of DEI and Multi Stakeholder Platform (MSP) on **standardisation** activities of **Digital Industrial Platforms**
 - Coordination of platform building and piloting activities
 - Synchronisation and acceleration of standardisation efforts
- 3. WG on Future Partnerships



Digital Innovation Hubs: Towards Organic Growth

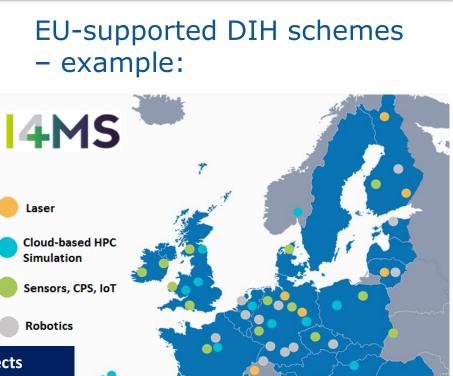
"Ensure that every business in Europe, whatever its sector of activity, wherever located and whatever its size, can take full advantage of digital innovations and competences"

Member States & regions:

Build-up/strengthening of national and regional structures of DIHs (national, regional, ESIF)

Commission H2020 (100M€/yr):

- Networking and support activities
- Innovative Cross-border experiments



- **140M€ of EU funding 15 large projects**
- **125** DIHs/competence centres
- 450 experiments: 80% cross-border dimension
- 560 contractors. Out of which 406 industrial:
 84% SMEs and mid-caps, 50% users,
 65% new in EU R&I Programmes
- **29** Members States and Ass. Countries

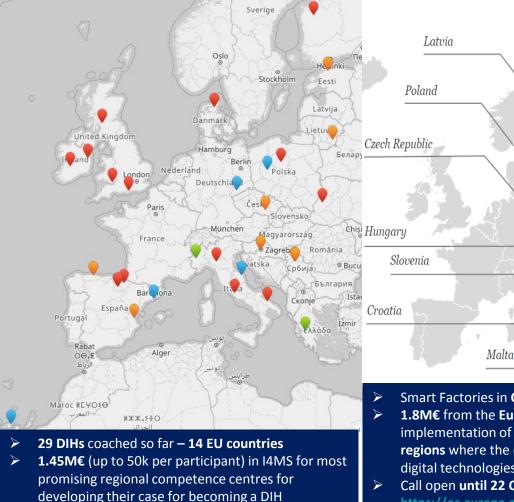




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Future actions





- Smart Factories in **Central and Eastern Europe (EU13)**
- 1.8M€ from the European Parliament to support the implementation of DIHs in the selected countries and regions where the divergence in uptake and adoption of digital technologies has been so far limited
- Call open until 22 October https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/ApplicationForm
- Final selection of **30 DIHs by early December**
- Coordination: **PWC** and **Oxford University Innovation**



5.i. Information and Communication Technologies

± 8M€ for widening the SAE and I4MS networks towards industrial regions which are so far underrepresented (WP18-20)

> Tentative opening call date: 16 Oct. 2018 deadline: 2 April 2019

http://dih.i4ms.eu/

Coordination: I4MS Growth and XS2I4MS

18 coached hubs participated in the latest I4MS call,

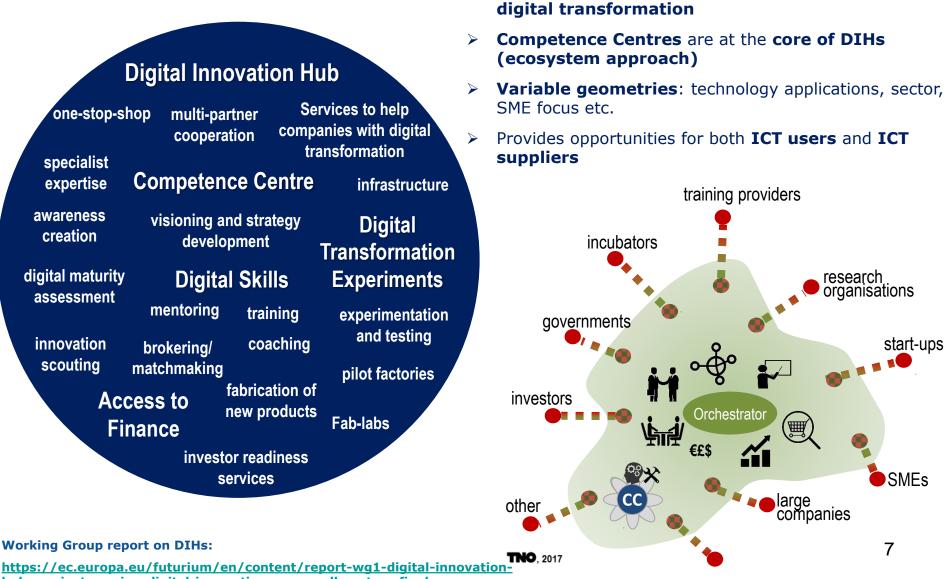
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What is a Digital Innovation Hub?

Provide support to **existing industry** to manage their



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Digital Innovation Hubs Catalogue

First version available:

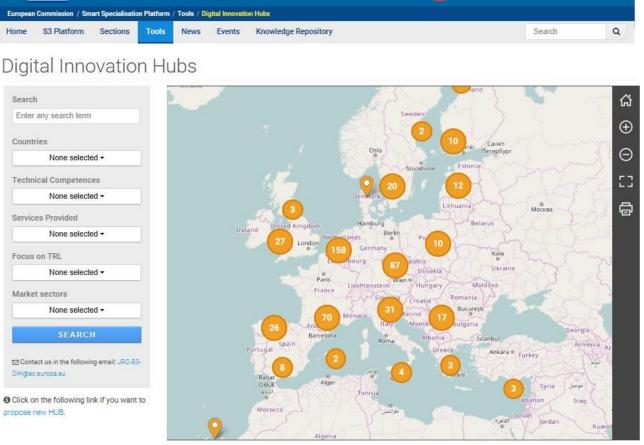
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Search

- Fact-sheets with profile, contact data, service examples for regional, national, and EUsupported DIHs
- Map-based search tool by technical competences, market sector, services

http://s3platform.jrc.ec.europa. eu/digital-innovation-hubs-tool

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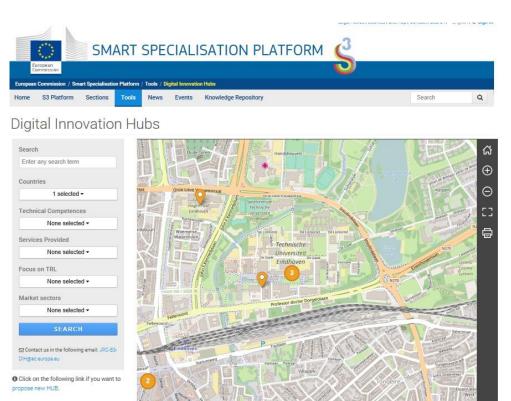
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Hub Name	Location	Country	Contact	Phone	Email	Website
Aalen University / Transfer Platform Industry 4.0	Beethovenstraße, 1, 73430, Aalen	Germany	Prof. Dr. Axel Zimmerman	+49 7361576 6702		0
Accelerating Photonics innovation for SME's (ACTPHAST 4.0)	Brussels Photonics B-PHOT, Vrije Universiteit, B-1050, Brussel	Belgium	Prof. Hugo Thienpont	+32 2 791 6852	2	0
ADAPT Centre	O'Reilly Building, Trinity College Dublin, 2, Dublin	Ireland	Vincent Wade	+353 1 896 1797		0



- Update your profile
- Propose a new DIH if you are not yet in the catalogue
- Contact the actors in the catalogue that are near you for possible collaboration and consolidation of the ecosystem
- Be inspired by similar DIHs



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Funding opportunities for Digital Innovation Hubs

European

- 200 M€ in the H2020 work programme 2016-2017
- 300 M€ in the new H2020 work programme 2018-2020, focus area "Digitising and transforming European industry and services"
- Focusing on networking Digital Innovation Hubs and highly innovative cross border experiments

European Structural and Investment Funds

- ESIF support for digital growth is based on national or regional Digital Growth Strategies and Research and Innovation Strategies for Smart Specialisation.
 - Around EUR 2 billion will support digitising EU industry, in particular SMEs, to develop ICT products and services, e-commerce and the take-up of ICT,
 - Around EUR 1.2 billion will support e-Inclusion, e-Accessibility, e-Learning etc. to enhance human capital for the digitised economy and society,
 - Around EUR 7.6 billion will go into intelligent transport, smart grids, e-health and e-government, offering also procurement opportunities for IT firms,
 - Over 100 regions and 14 countries at national level will also invest in ICT-related research and innovation. Total funding for RIS3 accounts for 42 billion euro.

Other sources of funding (private, innovation funds of regions, loans, etc)

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- Focus area "Digitising and transforming European industry and services" calls for digital innovation hubs (for 300 M€)
 - DT-ICT-01-2019: <u>Smart Anything Everywhere (SAE) Initiative,</u> with the "widening" part for industrial regions that are currently underrepresented in I4MS and SAE
 - DT-ICT-02-2018: <u>Robotics Digital Innovation Hubs</u>
 - DT-ICT-03-2020: I4MS (phase 4) uptake of digital game changers and digital manufacturing platforms
 - DT-ICT-04-2020: Photonics Innovation Hubs
 - DT-ICT-05-2020: Big Data Innovation Hubs
- In SC2: DT-RUR-12-2018: <u>ICT Innovation agriculture –</u> <u>Digital Innovation Hubs for Agriculture</u>

+ Support action DT-ICT-06-2018: <u>Coordination and Support Activities</u> for Digital Innovation Hub network



Share best practices on how to motivate SMEs to engage with Digital Innovation Hubs and how the hubs can create demand for the services of the SMEs

- 10:45–12:00 Session 1 Reaching out to the SMEs
- 12:00-13:00 Lunch
- 13:00–14:15 Towards a digital ecosystem and partnering approach
- 14:15-14:45 Coffee break
- 14:45-16:15 Session 3 Break out in smaller groups to discuss topics of common interest
- 16:15-16:45 Reporting back from the break-out groups
- 16:45-17:00 Outlook to the next session on 21 February on Access to finance for SMEs and how to finance the hubs
- 17:00 Closing