

# Going Local in Belgium



## Digital Agenda Scoreboard An overview of the DSM

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**72%** of EU individuals uses INTERNET regularly

**150 Million** subscriptions fixed Broadband

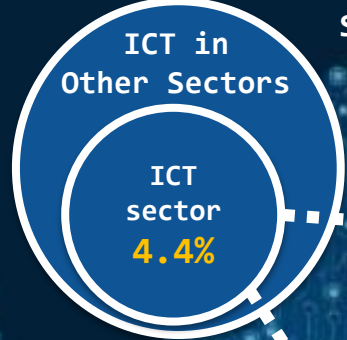
**130** mobile subscriptions per 100 people



**ICT drives 1/3<sup>rd</sup> EU GDP growth 1995-2007**

# DIGITAL ECONOMY

**7% of GDP**  
Size of the digital economy



**17% of business R&D** by ICT sector

**6% of Gov't R&D** is ICT

**38% EU venture capital** is in ICT

**17% EU patents** are in ICT

## DIGITAL BUSINESS



**HALF** of EU enterprises provide mobile devices for business use

**276.5 million EUR** turnover of EU B2C eCommerce (2012)

**14%** of EU SMEs selling online



**28%** EU enterprises use Social media

**29%** of EU enterprises use e-Invoices



## ICT professionals

**900 000** estimated demand/supply gap by 2020

**55%** work outside ICT sector



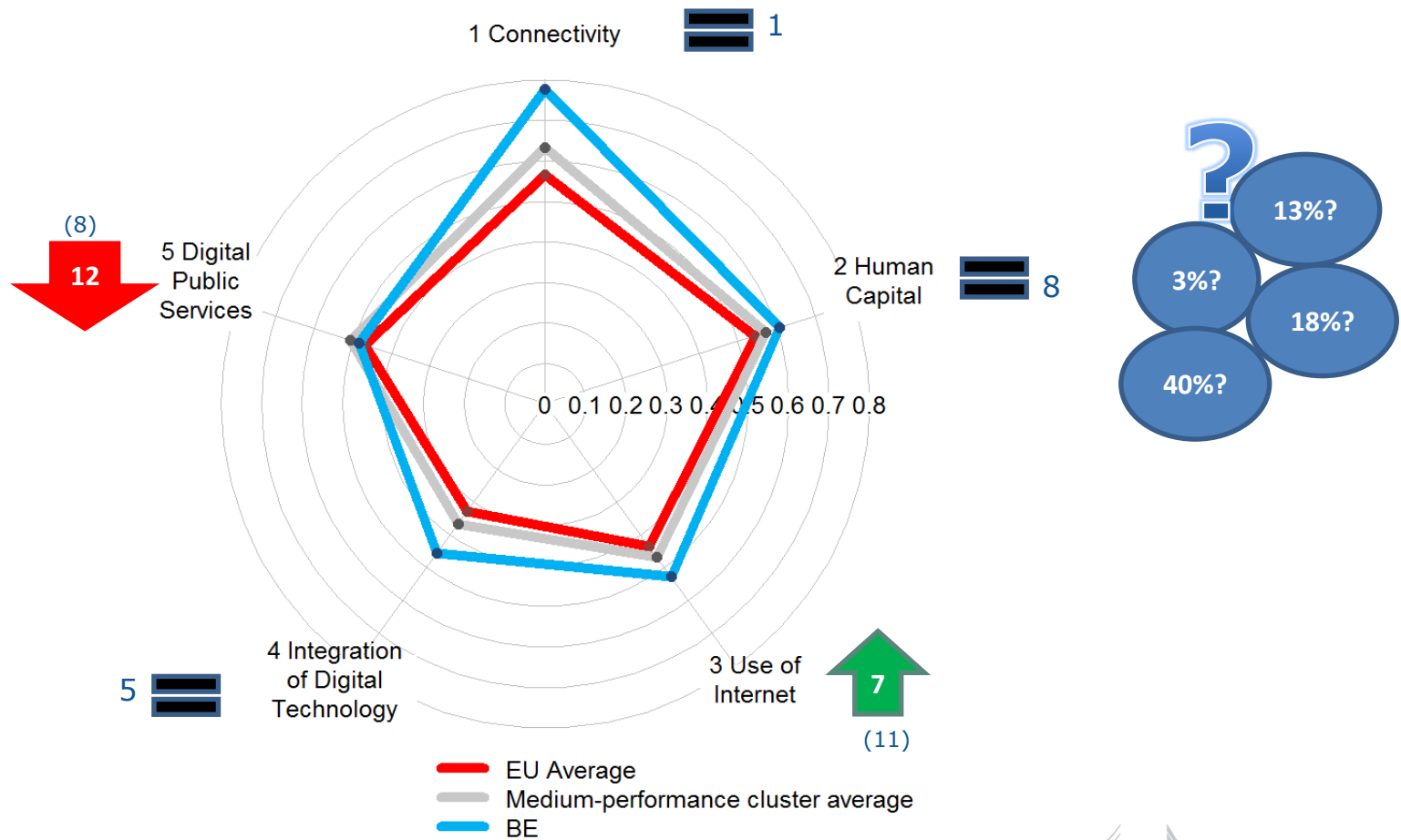
**2.4%** of workforce

**+ 4.1%** yearly employment growth

# Belgium's performance in the DESI 2015

DK, FI, NL, SE

Belgium ranks 5 among EU countries.  
It falls in the Medium performance group of countries.



# What is the Digital Single Market ?

➤ A communication from the Commission-  
[COM\(2015\)192final](#) (6/5/15)

*"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."*

## 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



# Roadmap for completing the Digital Single Market // Initiatives

## 2015

### 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



A wide ranging review to prepare legislative proposals to tackle unjustified **geo-blocking**

Competition sector inquiry into **e-commerce**, relating to the online trade of goods and the online provision of services

Legislative proposals for a reform of the **copyright** regime

## 2016

### 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**

Review of the **e-Privacy Directive**



Establishment of a **Cybersecurity contractual Public-Private Partnership**

### 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

## Next steps

# Digital Assembly 2015 Riga 17&18 June

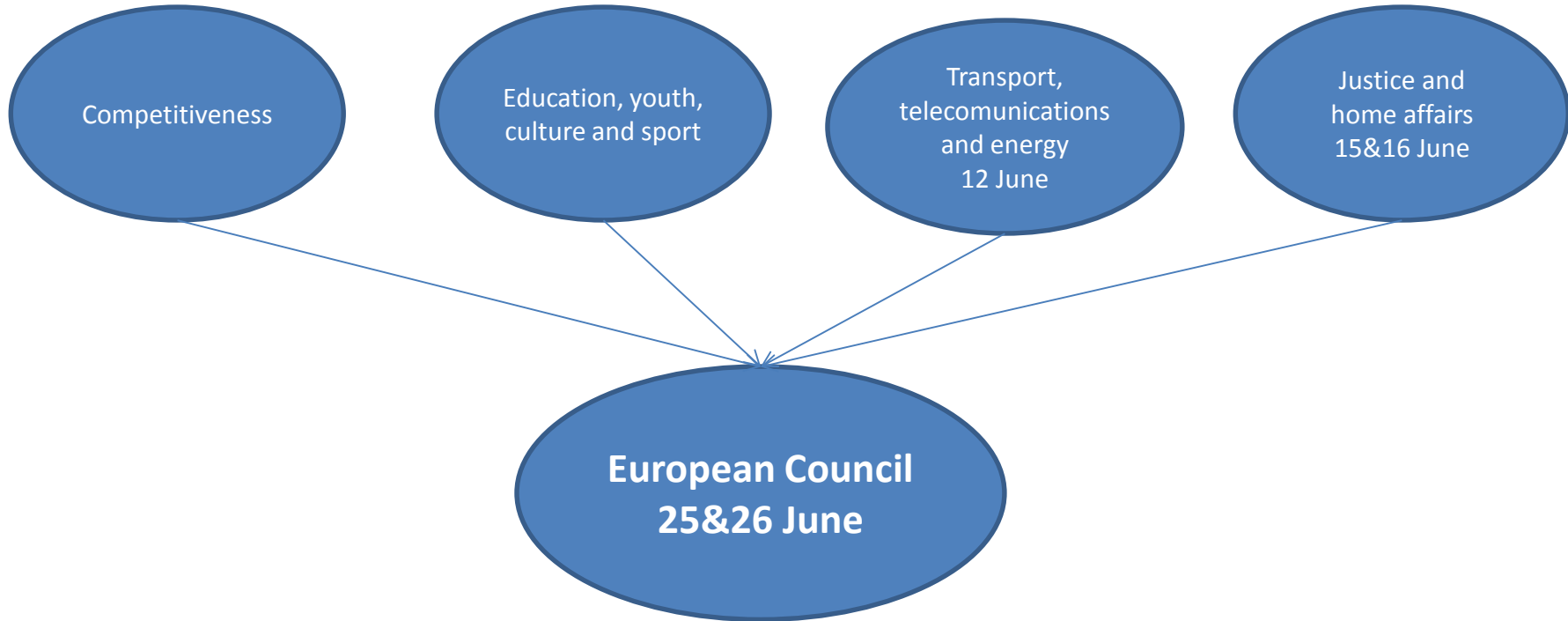
Invitation-only, live web-streaming

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/digital-assembly-2015-riga-one-europe-one-digital-single-market>



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