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DO IMPACT DIESIS DIGITAL DAY

25 November 2025, Brussels

Venue: [Atelier des Tanneurs](#)

Agenda:

Timing	Name of Session	Speakers
09:30-10:00	Registration and Welcome Coffee	
10:00-10:20	Welcome Words and Opening Speech	Gianluca Pastorelli, Executive President Diesis Network Giuseppe Guerini, President Cooperatives Europe, Spokesperson Social Economy Category at the EESC
10:20-12:00	Session I: Building Skills & Resilience in the Digital Social Economy Theme: <u>Digital Upskilling, Cybersecurity Awareness, and Organisational Preparedness</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fireside Chat• Cross-cutting Themes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ <i>Inclusivity in digital upskilling</i>◦ <i>Responding to digital threats and shocks with internal resilience plans</i>◦ <i>Actionable strategies in digital upskilling and organisational readiness for advancing sustainable prosperity</i>	Anna Sienicka, Senior Vice President, TechSoup Eugenia Kypriotis, Senior Project Manager, NGI Commons Güler Altinsoy, Co- Founder, Needs Map Jakub Szymik, Founder, CEE Digital Democracy Watch Jeanne Bretécher, Director General,



		<p>Social Good Accelerator (SOGA)</p> <p>Facilitated by: Aneta Quraishy, Senior Expert, Diesis Network</p>
12:00-13:00	<p>Speed Networking: EU Collaboration Café Objective: Matchmaking among participants around shared needs and interests in digital transformation & resilience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Format: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short timed exchanges (3–5 min) Participants select topics (e.g., AI, cybersecurity, platforms, digital inclusion) Facilitated wrap-up to collect opportunities and ideas 	<p>Facilitated by: Marta Bruschi, Senior Expert, Diesis Network & Lucie Hunter, Project Manager, Diesis Network</p>
13:00-14:00	<p>Networking Lunch break Thematic tables: to continue discussions on AI, data sharing, and digital inclusion</p>	
14:00-14:45	<p>Session II: EU Support & Preparedness for the Digital Future Theme: <u>Collaboration, and Crisis-Ready Infrastructure - boosting digital resilience in the SE sector</u></p> <p>Overview Presentation: AI-enabled communities and disaster management, including the EDIC, Local Digital Twins Toolbox, and Citiverse.</p> <p>Discussion Focus: <i>How digital tools can future-proof communities and social enterprises</i></p>	<p>Martin Bailey, Head of Unit, AI for Societal Good, DG CONNECT, European Commission</p> <p>In conversation with: Gianluca Pastorelli, Executive President Diesis Network</p>
14:45-15:00	Coffee Break	
15:00-16:45	<p>Session III: Interactive Workshop: Hands-on session: <i>Are You Ready? Assess, Plan, and Act on Your Digital Resilience</i></p> <p>Objective: Help participants assess their own</p>	<p>Facilitated by: Çağkan Korur, Assistant General Manager Development Programs, Needs Map</p>



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	<p>organisation's digital maturity and preparedness, then guide them in building a tailored action roadmap using EU resources, funding opportunities, and peer insights.</p> <p>Deliverables: Each participant walks away with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A mini roadmap from group exercise to improve their digital resilience• A better understanding of their starting point• At least one potential partner/contact to follow up with	<p>Federico Bartolomucci, Researcher and Assistant Professor, Tiresia Politecnico di Milano</p> <p>Maria Makowska, Training and Education Program Senior Manager, TechSoup</p>
16:45-17:00	Wrap Up and Future Opportunities	Diesis Network Team
17:00-18:00	Networking Apero	

Participants

Who can join?

Small and Medium Enterprises and Organisations and Enabling Organisations in the Proximity and Social Economy (PSE) sector looking to boost your skills and capabilities. Our Digital and Data-driven Programmes are designed to help you accelerate the twin transition to digital and sustainable growth.

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