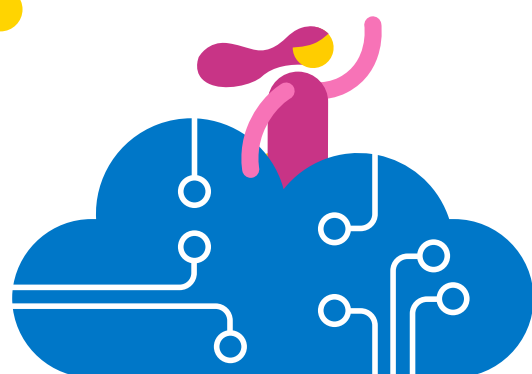


DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION IN THE EUROPEAN YOUTH FIELD:

an extended definition including key areas for consideration.

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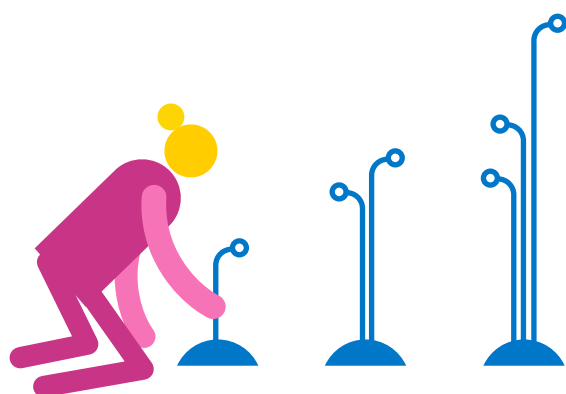


- › In the European youth field, digital transformation is understood as a multi-stakeholder and inclusive process encompassing the co-design, implementation and utilisation of people-centred digital technologies with and by young people, youth workers and other relevant stakeholders.

Digital transformation changes the way most areas of the youth field operate. Digital transformation describes the evolving integration of digital technologies into social, economic, and cultural processes and structures.

- › Young people, youth workers and other relevant stakeholders require appropriate support (e.g., digital literacy education) in order to participate, benefit from and contribute to digital transformation in Europe.

Digital transformation refers to both the practical changes in organisational functioning as well as society's evolving cultural and social norms.



- › To ensure a sustainable and inclusive digital transformation of the youth field in Europe, we propose the following areas of considerations.

DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION



MULTISTAKEHOLDERISM AND PARTICIPATION

Meaningful participation should be central to European efforts to co-create and sustain digital transformative processes in an inclusive, informed and democratic way. Digital transformation efforts should be approached as a multi-stakeholder and inclusive process – encompassing the co-design, implementation and utilisation of people-centred digital technologies.

SKILLS AND EDUCATION

In order to respond to the challenges and opportunities related to digital transformation, stakeholders require skills such as critical digital literacy, media literacy, data and AI literacy, and many more. Digital transformation also requires an agile mindset, whereby education is not seen as set in stone, but rather as a responsive and adaptable process of life-long learning.



ACCESS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Reliable internet access and efficient digital infrastructure are crucial in the European youth sector.

STRATEGY

Digital transformation is an evolutionary process that requires a strategic and collaborative approach.

INNOVATION

Digital transformation offers opportunities to co-create innovative solutions in the European youth sector.

SUSTAINABILITY

Any digital transformational process should be assessed on its potential environmental impact.

ETHICS

Any European wide digital transformation processes should be grounded in human rights and European values.

