



DigitalScouts

ENHANCING THE DIGITAL LITERACY
AND PARTICIPATION IN EUROPE

WHAT IS DIGITALSCOUTS?

DigitalScouts aims to train individuals who would like to support older adults in using digital tools. This support can empower older adults by enabling them to benefit from health promotion and digital participation opportunities.

It is an Erasmus+ project that started in December 2022 and will end in July 2025.

WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES?

- Meeting the challenges of the digital transformation in society and helping to close the digital divide, with ever-increasing negative impacts for older adults.
- Increasing the availability of high-quality learning opportunities in the education of trainers within the framework of blended learning (combining remote and face-to-face learning).
- Promoting the development and expansion of support services (e.g. courses, counselling services, personal support at home) within an individualised, needs-based approach.

WHO ARE DIGITAL SCOUTS?

Digital scouts are people trained to support others (60+) in using digital devices and applications. This support can take different forms (e.g. as trainers, lecturers or advisors) and can take place in a professional, voluntary or private setting.

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?

- A **European Compendium**. It highlights the need to promote a higher digital participation of older citizens. It presents illustrative examples from the participating countries of how older people can benefit from using digital tools in the areas of health promotion as well as enhance their cultural, political, and social participation.
- A **Digital Training** that qualifies **digital scouts** to support older people in using digital tools to let them benefit from the opportunities of digitalisation. This training is an independent self-learning course that

focuses on the many possibilities of digital participation and health promotion with digital tools. This enables the **digital scouts** to support older people according to their individual interests.

- A **Toolkit for Trainers** that supports adult educators in embedding the Digital Training into a blended learning offer.

FOR WHOM?

- **People who want to support others (60+)** in using digital devices and applications.
- **Adult educators** who are looking for tools to train people who want to support older adults in using digital tools.
- **Providers of support services for older adults**, e.g. municipalities, associations, non-profit organisations, district managers or social agencies.



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