

Digital Skills:

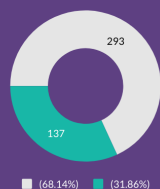
What's the future?

The D(at)YW project is designed and created to bridge the digital gap with the labour market & support young people to meet the needs of current and near-future employment. Additionally, it is set to strengthen the profile of youth workers and their methodologies of youth work - to have an impact on the existing digital gap.

About the survey

As part of the project, the partner consortium conducted a survey to find out the need of particular digital skills, which ought to be designed by the consortium.

The D(at)YW survey was carried out between June-September 2019 in five countries: Germany, Cyprus, United Kingdom, Spain and Italy.



The survey was answered by 430 respondents: 293 participants were young people and youth workers and 137 participants were employers.

Status quo

The spread of digital is having a massive impact on the labour market and the type of skills needed in the economy and society.



2/3 of employers require at least basic digital skills at work.

Young Europeans need to be ready for it. But will they? According to the survey,

46%
OF SCHOOLS & ORGANISATIONS

do not provide regular training on digital skills for the target groups.

At the same time, we see that

there is an interest to participate in courses to advance digital skills of

77%
OF YOUNG PEOPLE & YOUTH WORKERS

Barriers in acquiring digital skills

When young people and youth workers were asked what stays in the way to get more digital competences, they have mentioned



lack of time

As there are no particular schedule at school/work to study the newly-emerged technologies.



lack of budget

ICT courses are quite often found to be costly as there is a high demand for them on the market.



appropriate facilities

Not all schools/work places have an equipped room to explore the ICT fields.



Digital skills gap

At least 133 million new roles generated as a result of the new division of labour between humans, machines and algorithms may emerge globally by 2022, according to the World Economic Forum.

In D(at)YW survey, the employers indicated a digital gap around the following advanced digital skills:

- robotics/artificial intelligence
- simulations
- programming
- web design
- media editing

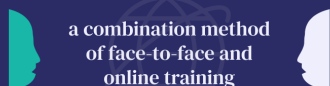
At the same time, the least developed digital skills among the surveyed young people and youth workers were:

- web design
- coding & robotics
- social media marketing

Solution?

D(at)YW! To close the gap in digital skills, the consortium of partners will provide an up-skilling program.

40% of surveyed young people and youth workers have already identified in the survey



a combination method of face-to-face and online training

as a preferred method to learn digital skills, which the consortium will use to design the program.

Stay tuned!

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