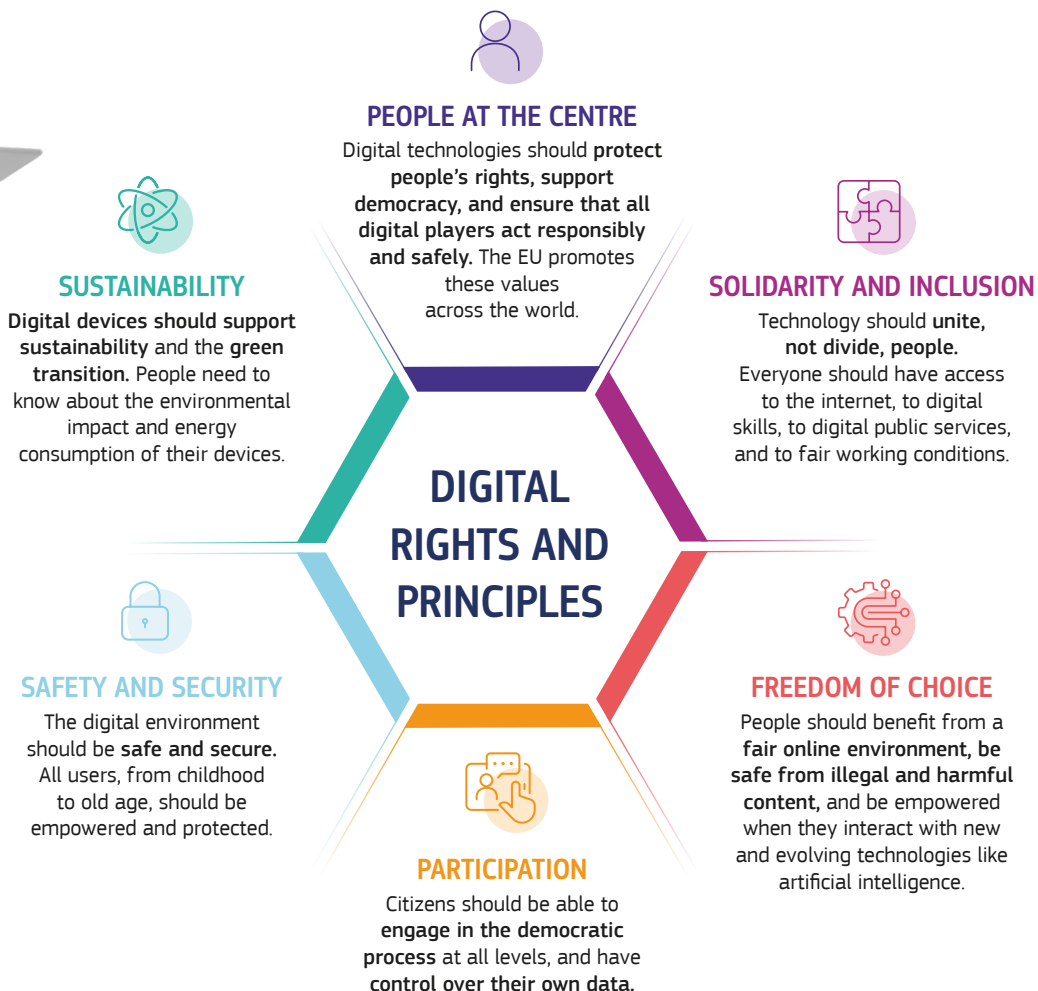


DIGITAL RIGHTS AND PRINCIPLES

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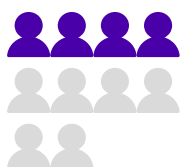
“We aim to promote a European way for the digital transition, putting people at the centre. It shall be based on European values and benefiting all individuals and businesses.”

All people in the EU should get the most out of the digital transformation. The digital rights and principles will guide the EU in promoting an **inclusive, prosperous, and sustainable society**. The declaration is the first of its kind in the world. It will be a **reference point for everyone in the EU** and a **guide for policy makers and companies developing digital technologies**. The digital rights and principles will be reflected in the EU's actions, future work, and engagement with global partners.



KEY FIGURES

1. PEOPLE AT THE CENTRE



4 OUT OF 10 EUROPEANS

are not aware that their rights such as the **freedom of expression, privacy, or non-discrimination** must also be respected online

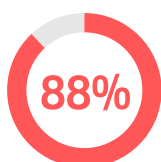
2. SOLIDARITY AND INCLUSION



2 OUT OF 3 EUROPEANS

used **e-government** solutions in 2019

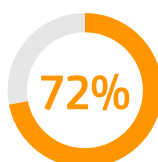
3. FREEDOM OF CHOICE



OF BUSINESSES

and business users encountered **unfair trading conditions** on large platforms

4. PARTICIPATION



OF USERS

want to know **how their data is processed** when they use **social media**

5. SAFETY AND SECURITY



HALF OF EU INTERNET USERS

in 2019 reported that **security concerns** limit their online activities

6. SUSTAINABILITY



8 IN 10 EUROPEANS

would like to oblige manufacturers to make **digital devices easier to repair**



TIMELINE

9 MARCH 2021

2030 Digital Compass: Commission presents vision and targets for the digital transformation, guided by digital rights and principles.

1 JUNE 2021

Speech of Commission President Ursula von der Leyen in Sines, Portugal: *"We embrace new technologies. But we stand by our values."*

DECEMBER 2021

Publication of results of the Eurobarometer on digital principles: 8 Europeans out of 10 consider it useful that the EU defines and promotes digital rights and principles.

BY SUMMER 2022

European Parliament, Council and Commission will sign **declaration of digital rights and principles**.

MAY-SEPTEMBER 2021

Commission gathers feedback on digital principles from citizens and all interested parties.

15 SEPTEMBER 2021

Commission proposes governance framework to achieve the 2030 digital targets, the Digital Decade Policy Programme.

26 JANUARY 2022

The Commission proposes **draft declaration of digital rights and principles**.

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