



# Empowering Citizens

the key to a successful digital health transformation

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Well-being should be put at the heart of EU policymaking and digital policies do not make an exception to this principle.

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## The COVID-19 pandemic brought to the fore the untapped potential for the deployment of digital health in Europe.

In its 2020 European Semester review of Member States' health systems, the European Commission pointed at issues with the development and use of digital health services, 'with insufficient coordination and cooperation between healthcare providers, and a limited integration of health and social care services'.

### We need



#### 1. Digital Skills and Literacy

- Include a focus on digital health literacy in the Digital Education Action Plan
- Encourage the development of specific curricula and life-long training programs for key stakeholders.



#### 2. European Health Data Space

- Rapidly create a European Health Data Space to enable facilitate health data exchanges and strengthen cooperation across Member States.
- Promote interoperability of health data systems through the further development of common interoperability standards

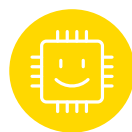
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We need to better tie health measures to other linked areas such as the environment, climate, digitalisation, food nutrition and pharmaceuticals.

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**Margaritis Schinas**

Vice-President for Promoting  
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#### 3. Artificial Intelligence (AI)

- Explore and invest in research to enable explainability of AI
- Recommend the use of the ethics guidelines for trustworthy AI