DICYSTECH

MEETING EACH OTHER IN OPORTO!

A new transnational project meeting was held last Spring!

Dicystech partners met in Oporto (Portugal) from the March, 31st, to April, 1st, hosted by the Portuguese partner ISEP. The meeting represented the opportunity **to discuss and checked the implementation of the project activities** (Intellectual Output #1, the "DICYSTECH Digital Training Course for students" and the Intellectual Output #2, the "DICYSTECH HUB of Cybersecurity Labs") and to define the next steps.

A GLANCE AT EU POLICIES AND REGULATIONS FOR A SAFER INTERNET IN OUR FUTURE!

The Digital Services Act (DSA) is a set of rules **intended to regulate the obligations and responsibilities of digital services companies to protect the rights of online users**, including freedom of expression, with a very clear idea in its intention: whatever is illegal in the physical world, must be illegal in the digital world.

The **three most relevant points** to the DSA are:

- Data collection and limitation of personalized advertising,
- Transparency in algorithms
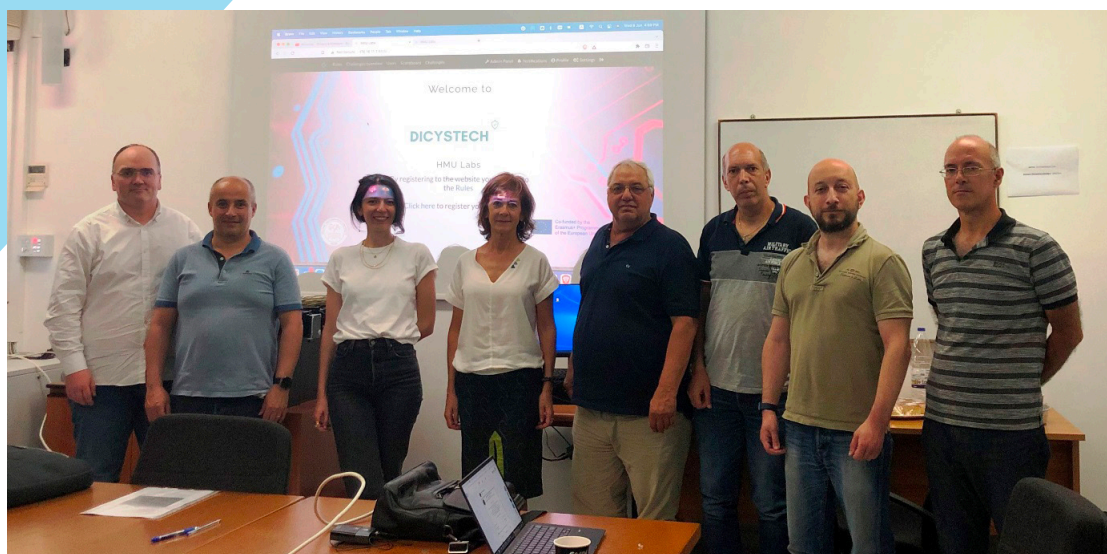- Illegal content and misinformation.

In this perspective, the DSA will require organizations to comply with regulations such as cooperation with authorities, reporting of criminal offences and prohibition of advertisements directed at minors.

The political agreement was reached on the DSA last April and **it will be directly applicable across the EU from 1 January 2024**, but it is expected that this model will become a **global standard and can be replicated in other countries beyond the European Union soon**.

More details [here](#).

THE DICYSTECH TRAINING EVENT IN CRETE!

The DICYSTECH 3-day Training Event was held in Crete in June (8th-10th June 2022), hosted by HMU. The DICYSTECH technical staff team **tested and reviewed the integral pilot version of the DICYSTECH training course**, the methodology, the IOs, the learning challenges, and the supporting technology of the DICYSTECH HUB and Labs, becoming **DICYSTECH Expert**!

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN THE NEXT MONTHS?

The implementation of IOs is carrying on, in order to **start the piloting phase** of both the Intellectual Outputs, which will be held between November 2022 and February 2023.

While the devised modules in IO1 will be tested by partners' staff with students/adult learner groups in order to collect feedback which will provide invaluable internal/external revision of its materials and structure, the piloting of IO2 will thoroughly check how well the HUB and lab's function, implementing final changes to their structures following the feedback from piloting teachers and students.
The DICYSTECH Training Course and HUB of cybersecurity virtual labs will be tested by 4 pilot groups (with 120+ learners) in Greece, Portugal and Spain.

Stay tuned to know more!