

Conference | The Future of Digital Investments in the EU

	Programme Day 1		
	Aalborghallen		
09:30	Welcome address: Caroline Stage Olsen, Danish Minster for Digital Affairs		
09:45	Opening speech: Thibaut Kleiner, Director, EU-Commission		
10:00	Key note - Digital competitiveness business perspective: Director General Markus J. Beyrer, BusinessEurope		
10:15	Debate: How to align tech sovereignty with competitiveness?		
11:30	Coffee Break		
11:50	Session: How to leverage private investments through public funding		
12:50	Standing lunch in the foyer		
14:00	Session: From research to market – what are the missing links?		
15:00	Session: Better integration of business into the European Digital Investment Programmes		
16:00	Coffee break		
16:20	Session: A clean AI Continent?		
17:20	Key note – Next steps: Cecilia Bonefeld-Dahl, Director General, DIGITALEUROPE		
17:35	Closing remarks: Minister for Higher Education and Science, Christina Egelund		
18:00	Dinner & networking in the foyer		

	Programme Day 2			
Time	DEP track		Horizon track	
08:00	Welcome coffee and matchmaking Foyer			
08:30	Opening speech : EU-Commission (TBC) Aalborghallen			
08:45	Joint session DEP4ALL & IDEALIST: EU funding programmes synergies in practice Aalborghallen			
9:45	Digital Europe for business – how to create value with the programme Organised by Add Smart Aalborghallen	Session: EDICS – Why, what and how? Organised by the EU- Commission Fakultetet (1. floor)	Unlocking Horizon Europe for SMEs: Bridging the Gap and Building Collaborative Success – Event by the Ideal-ist Europahallen	
10:45	Coffee break			
11:15	Digital Europe implementation in practice Organised by the European Commision in collaboration with Dep4AL Aalborghallen		Commission study: Key strategic digital technologies for EU Research and Innovation funding beyond 2027 Europahallen	
12:15	Commission study: EU's critical digital capacities deployment beyond 2027 Aalborghallen		Continued	
13:00	Sandwich Lunch to go Foyer			
13:30	Site Visits: Discover Aalborgs Leading Companies in Space and Healthcare (transport included – parking lot)			



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Side events

Day 1 Digital Hub Denmark side event: "The Solutions Stage" - Europahallen				
10:00	Welcome			
10:10	Opening remarks: Denmark's role in shaping Europe's digital transformation journey			
10:30	AI in Government - From Use Case to Business Case			
11:00	From National to Local strategy - the role of municipalities			
11:30	Coffee break			
11:50	Built to Trust: The Infrastructure of Digital Communication			
12:10	Faster IT Procurement in Europe's public sector			
12:40	Lunch, standing in the Foyer			
14:00	Scaling Digital: From Vision to Real-World Impact			
14:30	Leading the Shift: Public Sector's Role in Digital Sovereignty			
15:15	One Europe, Many Systems: Interoperability as Europe's Digital Backbone			
15:55	Closing remarks			

Day 1

Danish Chamber of Commerce side event: Shaping Europe's Digital Future: Sovereignty, Innovation and Competitiveness

- Tunnellen 1. floor

11:50 – How do we strengthen the EU's digital sovereignty and competitiveness and which market mechanisms and industrial policy tools are needed to support this ambition? This is the focal point of the Danish Chamber of Commerce's roundtable discussion, where we bring together industry leaders, policymakers, and researchers to explore ways forward. Key topics on the agenda include, among others, the future of transatlantic cooperation, access to AI factories, and the interplay between private companies and the public sector - including the balance between private capital and public support such as the Digital Europe Programme, as well as the role of universities and public institutions in innovation and digital sovereignty. Please register for this session to pno@danskerhverv.dk .

- Thibaut Kleiner, Director for Future Networks i DG Connect
- Thomas Jensen, CEO Milestone
- Thomas Moeslund, professor Aalborg Universitet
- Nikolaj Juncher Wædegaard, Dansk Erhverv
- Francesca Bria, Euro-Stack (TBC)
- Jan Damsgaard, CBS (TBC)
 - KMD (TBC)





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