5G-DiGITs takes part in high-level European event on green and digital skills organised by Finnova



The Erasmus+ project was among the initiatives presented during the EduDemoS international event focused on vocational training, sustainability and innovation.

Brussels, 12th **June 2025.** The European project **5G-DiGITs**, co-funded by the **Erasmus+ Programme**, was showcased as a flagship initiative during the international event organised by the **Finnova Foundation** under the framework of the **EduDemoS** project. Held on 10 June, the event brought together representatives from the **European Commission**, regional authorities, educational centres, sustainability experts and students from across Europe to discuss the strategic role of **Vocational Education and Training (VET)** in the twin green and digital transitions.

As part of the session dedicated to innovative European projects, <u>5G-DiGITs</u> was presented by **Yolanda Durán**, Communication Officer at **Finnova** and **leader of the project's communication work package**. Her presentation highlighted how the initiative supports the development of advanced digital and green skills to ensure a sustainable and connected Europe.

With a total budget of €1,745,421 and a duration of 36 months (November 2024 – October 2027), 5G-DiGITs aims to train over 200 professionals, launch an acceleration programme for 25 student-led startups, and create a European curriculum on 5G technologies, fostering cooperation between education, industry and civil society.

The event featured high-level interventions, including <u>Frank Siebern-Thomas</u>, Head of Unit for Fair, Green and Digital Transitions at the <u>European Commission's Directorate-General for Employment</u>, <u>Social Affairs and Inclusion (DG EMPL)</u>, and <u>Paula Rey García</u>, <u>Head of Unit for Renewable Energy Policy and Just Transition Planning at DG ENER, who stressed the urgency of building a skilled workforce to meet Europe's climate and energy goals.</u>

Regional perspectives were also shared by <u>Raúl García Brink</u>, Councillor at the <u>Cabildo</u> of Gran Canaria, who presented educational initiatives such as <u>Ciberlandia</u> and <u>EDUROF</u>. Representatives from the EduDemoS consortium —including <u>Fundación</u> <u>Sergio Alonso</u>, <u>IES El Rincón</u>, <u>ITQ</u> (Germany) and <u>GBS St. Gallen</u> (Switzerland)—shared progress on their work, alongside testimonials from students who participated in the <u>International Student Academy</u> organised by Finnova in Brussels.

In addition to **5G-DiGITs**, the event also featured European projects such as **RESSKILL** and **RES4CITY**, focused on green skills, renewable energy, and urban resilience, reinforcing the Erasmus+ ecosystem's commitment to youth employability and the future skills agenda.

Watch the full webinar here: https://youtu.be/5sHrD9meGgg