What is 5G and why will it transform Europe?



The Erasmus+ project 5G-DiGITs prepares students and professionals to lead the digital transition with a €1.7 million budget

Brussels, 17th July 2025. 5G is not just a technological upgrade. It is a faster, more powerful, and low-latency network capable of connecting millions of devices and transforming sectors such as healthcare, industry, mobility, and education. For the European Commission, it is a **critical infrastructure** that will drive competitiveness, sustainability, and Europe's digital sovereignty.

Its deployment will enable speeds of over 10 Gbps, ultra-low latency, and ubiquitous connectivity. This paves the way for new applications such as remote surgery, autonomous vehicles, drone logistics, and smart manufacturing. The EU has set two key targets: continuous 5G coverage in urban areas and major transport corridors by 2025, and full population coverage by 2030.

Within this framework, the Erasmus+ project **5G-DiGITs** was launched to **train the next generation of digital and green talent**. With a duration of 36 months and a total budget of **€1,745,421**, the project will develop open educational tools, practical training programmes, and alliances among universities, tech companies, and public administrations.

Its main objectives include:

Enhancing advanced digital skills related to 5G technologies

- Integrating green competences to support a more sustainable economy
- Creating training pathways aligned with labour market needs

The consortium is composed of 13 partners from 8 European countries: **Envolve Entrepreneurship**, **Universitat Politècnica de València**, **National and Kapodistrian University of Athens**, **Infolysis**, **Karlstad University**, **Technical University of Crete**, **Inercia Digital**, **CNC Solutions**, **Finnova**, **A8**, **TECHIN**, **F6S**, and **Technische Universität Chemnitz**.

5G-DiGITs is a strategic response to the digital skills gap in Europe. It promotes employability, innovation, and equal access to the benefits of 5G-driven transformation.

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