

# e-Skills Match project: map and validate your knowledge and digital competences

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## A two-year EU co-funded project aiming to provide a European-wide self-assessment and learning technology system for e-Skills and digital competences

**Brussels, 14/04/2016** - Launched in September 2015 and running for the next 24 months, e-Skills Match (<http://www.eskillsmatch.eu>) is an EU co-funded project which is being implemented by a consortium comprised of the following partners: Stockholm University (Sweden) as the project coordinator, Fondazione Politecnico di Milano (Italy), Universidad de Alcalá (Spain), Adfor SpA (Italy) and Government To You (Belgium).

e-Skills Match aims to develop and demonstrate a European-wide learning system that will dynamically adapt to the changes that are occurring to current job market classifications and will support the user to identify any potential lack of necessary e-Skills and digital competences, while it will offer him the tools and methods to gain (re-)training in order to become more competitive and access the desirable jobs within ICT or non-ICT sectors.

Towards these objectives, the project will design, develop and deploy the e-Skills Match platform, a web-based multilingual platform which will offer an e-Portfolio solution hosted in a cloud environment. The platform will be tested by real users and will allow them to assess their current knowledge against e-Skills and digital competences demanded by the job market.

So, users will be able to:

- Create and manage their personal e-Portfolio
- Perform an e-Skills audit using the e-Skills Match platform and self-assess their position in the job environment
- Identify their gaps against those e-Skills and digital competences required for the desirable occupation within the ICT or non-ICT sector
- Plan their (re-)training if necessary with learning methods and educational tools like Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) and Open Educational Resources (OER) to complement their occupational e-Skills and apply for market certifications offered by the system.

As a result, e-Skills Match is aimed to be a project that will improve the link between education and job market and increase European citizens' awareness on how they can map and validate their e-Skills and digital competences and enhance their employability in the job market related to ICT and non-ICT sectors.

e-Skills Match Project Coordinator, Vasilis Koulolias, from Stockholm University highlights about the project that *"... we are finally looking at an effort to address employment deficiencies of the system through targeted education from the demand side... the practitioners, civil society, academia and builders of this toolset are also the customers of education that represent a sample of the society at large... I am convinced that soon we will roll out a product to market that will be a true guide to the youth and unemployed that shifts course material towards market needs"*.

At the end of March 2016 the project consortium held a face-to-face technical meeting and discussed all the progress made and set the last details regarding the e-Skills Match platform that will be ready and available online soon! So stay tuned and be the first to test it!

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