Dear Member,

Welcome to the CEPIS Member Update. There is still time to register for the 3-day IT Professionalism Conference on 20-22 April. Explore the European Commission's plan for the Digital Decade 2030 and the updated Rolling Plan on ICT Standardisation, and save the date for the online event on Developing IT Profession in Europe. Discover all this and more below!

Register for IT Professionalism Conference on 20-22 April

You can now register to the IT Professionalism Conference 2021 hosted by IT Professionalism Europe (ITPE), eSkills Malta Foundation and the Irish Digital Skills and Jobs Coalition. The event will take place over three half-day online sessions on 20-22 April. Read more

Save the date: Developing IT profession in Europe online event on 20 May

The IT Professionalism Europe (ITPE) network and the CEN Technical Committee on IT professionalism are organising a joint event "Developing the competent, trusted and recognised it profession in Europe – the journey already started". This event will take place online on 20 May 2021. Read more

European Commission publishes 2030 Digital Compass

The European Commission has published the "2030 Digital Compass: the European way for the Digital Decade". This core strategy document outlines the European Union's vision for achieving Europe's digital objectives for 2030. Read more

Updated Rolling Plan for ICT standardisation now available

The European Commission has published the 2021 update of the Rolling Plan for ICT standardisation. The Plan emphasises the critical importance of standardisation in the field of digital skills, citing the European e-Competence Framework (eCF) as an example of successful progress. Read more

AI – trustworthy, explainable, fair: GI conference on 24 April

The annual conference of the Women's group of the German Society of Informatics will take place on April 24, 2021 online. This year's main theme will be Artificial Intelligence. Read more

BCS's new President prioritises inclusion in IT profession

The newly elected President of the British Computer Society (BCS), John Higgins CBE, has announced that his first priority will be "to make our profession more welcoming for all – regardless of gender, age or ethnic background". Read more

CEPIS to speak at EIF Diversity in tech event

Petra Kotuliakova, Member of the CEPIS Women in ICT expert group, will speak at the Diversity in Tech event organised by the European Internet Forum (EIF) on 22 April. Petra will talk about the benefits of diversity for tech and AI development. Read more

More news from CEPIS

Digital skills gap in UK might increase dramatically, report finds

New tech and new talent necessary to close cyber skills gap

"Future of work, employability and digital skills" project update published

Commission launches support and mentorship scheme for women in tech

Open consultation: new paper on ethics in higher education

Data skills most important for next 2-3 years, report finds

[New actions on green digital transformation](#)

[Talent-related issues still the biggest challenge for digital transformation](#)

[Commission adopts annual programme for Erasmus+ 2021-2027](#)

[Have your say: CoE consultation on AI legal framework](#)

[PWC publishes 24th CEO survey](#)

[Drop-out rates in some IT courses hit 80% in Ireland, research shows](#)

Upcoming events

20-22 April [IT Professionalism Conference](#). Online

12 May [66th CEPIS Council meeting](#). Online

20 May [Developing IT profession in Europe](#). Online

17-18 June [Annual Privacy Forum](#). Oslo, Norway

17-20 August [Digital Transformation on Education and Learning conference](#). Tampere, Finland.

27 September-1 October [9th International Conference on Computer Analysis of Images and Patterns](#). Cyprus/online