

Welcome to the CEPIS member update. During the last few weeks, CEPIS has released a statement on the proposed European Digital Skills Certificate and communicated our position on ARM/Nvidia acquisition plans to the European Commission. Find out also about the events and initiatives of our members, and explore the new DigComp Community of Practice. Discover all this and more below!



### CEPIS releases statement on the European Digital Skills Certificate

CEPIS has released a statement calling for clarification of the proposed action of creating a European Digital Skills Certificate. While we welcome the announcement of DEAP, we believe that the European Commission should map different digital competence certification schemes and quality assurance requirements to the DigComp framework across Europe. Read more



### CEPIS letter to European Commission on ARM/Nvidia acquisition

CEPIS' LSI SIN has submitted a letter to high-level European officials about the anticipated acquisition of Arm's Intellectual Property Group business by Nvidia. The LSI SIN states that

allowing a microprocessor monopoly to be held by a US company within the jurisdiction of the USA will distort future innovation, increase its powers of coercion, and decrease the ability of European companies to compete. Read more



### CMA invitation to comment on proposed ARM acquisition – BCS Response

The British Computer Society's (BCS) survey last year found that 70% of BCS members agreed that the government should intervene in the sale of ARM to US Chip maker, Nvidia. Read more



## Train the Trainers webinars from Cyprus Computer Society

The Cyprus Computer Society is organising specific webinars for trainers on Python and C++ programming as well as PCB design. Read more



# BCS and Coding Black Females (CBF) announce inclusion partnership

As a part of BCS commitment to make IT more inclusive and engage with a greater diversity of people, BCS and CBF announced a joint bursary which will see over 70 individual members of CBF provided with BCS membership, as well as a range of mentoring and other career development benefits. Read more



# 9th International Conference on Computer Analysis of Images and Patterns – Call for Papers

The 9th International Conference on Computer Analysis of Images and Patterns (CAIP 2021) is the 9th in the CAIP series of biennial international conferences devoted to all aspects of computer vision, image analysis and processing, pattern recognition, and related fields. It will be held in Cyprus from 27 September to 1 October 2021. Read more



### Join DigComp Community of Practice

Stakeholders are invited to join the DigComp 'Community of Practice' (CoP) which promotes the development and adoption of DigComp, the Digital Competence Framework for Citizens. Read more

### More news from CEPIS

Talent and skills: BCS activities

BCS works on international data transfer (IDT) and EU-UK data flow issues

Gender-biased language discourages 50 % of women from ICT careers

Enough capacity, not enough skills: Capgemini on digital transformation

Commission Vice-President proposes ethical guidelines for social media algorithms

EU Industry Days to be held 23-26 February

# Upcoming events

23-26 February EU Industry Days. Europe-wide

7 May 66th CEPIS Council meeting (online)

17-18 June Annual Privacy Forum. Oslo, Norway

**27 September-1 October** 9th International Conference on Computer Analysis of Images and Patterns. Cyprus

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