

# **CEPIS Member Update**

Welcome to the July 2024 edition of the CEPIS member update. Submit a paper for the International Conference on Digital Skills, see what our community has been up to, and catch up with the latest policy news. Discover all this and more below!

## **News from CEPIS**



### **ICODSIP Call for Papers Still Open**

The organising committee is pleased to announce the call for papers for the 1st International Conference on Digital Skills and IT Professionalism, set to take place on November 14-15, 2024, in Alcala de Henares, Spain.

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#### **Informatics Teachers Education Mini-Conference**

A miniconference devoted to Informatics Teachers Education, Curricula, and Technology in Teaching Informatics, organised by the CEPIS Expert Group on Informatics Education, in cooperation with the Slovak Society for Computer Science, and the Department of Computer Science of Comenius University was held on May 31, 2024 in Bratislava.

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## News from our community



### '500k Missing Women' Highlighted in BCS Letter to New UK Tech Secretary

Following the UK election, in a letter to the new technology secretary, the British Computer Society, the professional body for computing, has highlighted that over 500,000 women are 'missing' from the UK's IT sector.

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### Dansk IT Advocates for Digital Skills and Ethical Al

Since 2020 Dansk IT, the Danish IT Society, has been 'home' to the National Coalition of the Digital Skills and Jobs Platform (DSJP). Earlier this spring, Dansk IT finished the project phase, but the work to promote digital skills continues.

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## Policy news



#### **Europe Failing Digital Decade Goals**

Europe is likely to fail to meet its objectives under the Digital Decade according to a new report on the 'State of the Digital Decade', published by the European Commission.

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#### STEM Women Releases 2024 Whitepaper on Gender Imbalance in STEM

STEM Women has announced the release of its 2024 whitepaper, "Understanding the Gender Imbalance in STEM." This comprehensive report explores the experiences and perceptions of female and non-binary STEM graduates, providing valuable insights into the challenges and expectations they face as they enter the workforce.

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### EU Announces €210 Million Funding for Cybersecurity and Digital Capabilities

The EU is making €210 million available to support stronger cybersecurity and better digital capabilities across Europe. €102 million of the funding will be dedicated to cybersecurity initiatives such as protecting critical infrastructure and supporting National Cybersecurity Strategies, while the remaining €108 million will go to support the EU's Digital Decade targets.

## **EuroHPC Amendment Enables Al Factories, Boosting EU Innovation**

An amendment to the EuroHPC Regulation recently came into effect, allowing the establishment of AI factories under the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC JU).

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