

**Question for written answer E-003101/2023  
to the Commission**

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**Subject:** The EU's strategy for increasing digital literacy rates among citizens

In September, the Commission published the first progress report on the implementation of the Digital Decade programme, which is designed to bring about the digital transition in Member States.

Digital skills are the key theme: the aim is to ensure that 80 % of EU citizens acquire basic digital skills. According to the report, at the current rate of progress, only 59 % of citizens will have basic digital skills by 2030.

What is even more alarming is that, according to Eurostat, half of all EU Member States are falling just short of that 59 % figure, with digital literacy rates between 44 % and 55 %.

In the light of the above, what measures will the Commission adopt to support Member States in improving digital literacy rates and encouraging the uptake of digital skills among EU citizens?

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