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CHALLENGES ON DIGITAL SKILLS' POLICY IN PORTUGAL

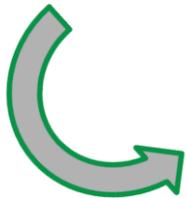
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NATIONAL FRAMEWORK

- **33%** of citizens have **never** used the Internet
- These individuals are **over 45 years**, with low formal education and low level of digital skills
- Generational inheritance from decades of an education system with only 4 years of compulsory school, increased to 9 years in 1986 and 12 years in 2009
- Internet is used by:
 - **98%** of individuals aged between 16 and 24
 - **92%** of individuals with medium education
 - **95%** of individuals with higher education



Digital Skills Multidimensional Approach



DIGITAL PORTUGAL

- To enhance **digital literacy, skills and inclusion**
- Set of measures to help the implementation of goals of the digital agenda
 - Promote the use of new technologies, enabling to **decrease to 30% the number of citizens who have never used the Internet** by 2016.
- Monitored through an Interministerial and a Technical Commission at national level



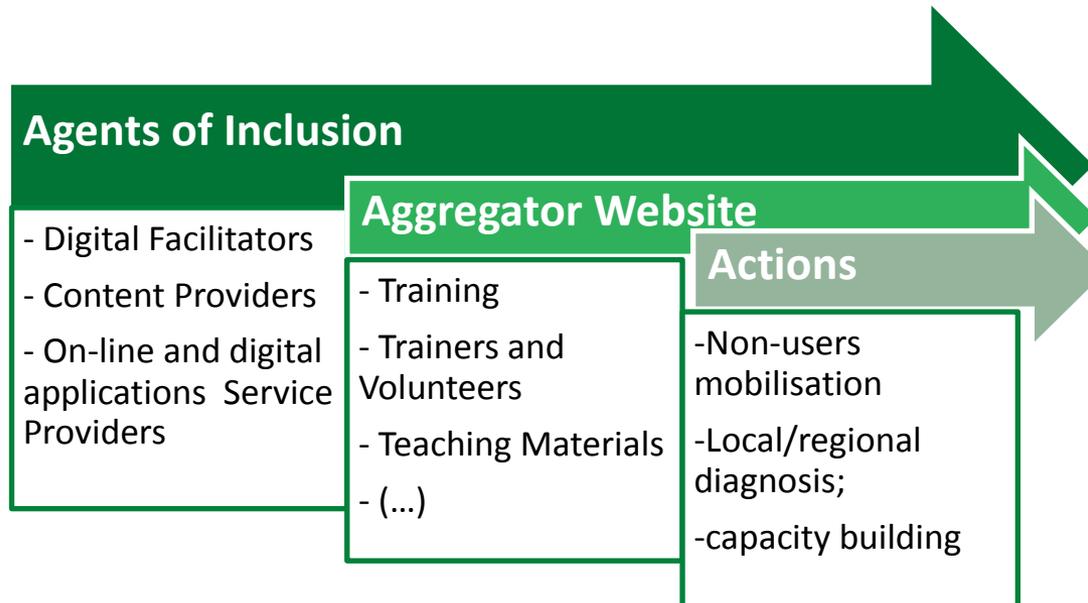
DIGITAL INCLUSION AND LITERACY PROGRAM

- **+ *Clique* Inclusion and Digital Literacy Program** (on going process) - aims to increase the Portuguese population overall level of digital skills throughout:
 - **ESKILLS CERTIFICATION:** 3 levels Certification System (basic, intermediate and advanced)
 - **TRAINING:** face to face and online self-training
 - **NATIONAL NETWORK:** ICT and Society Network
 - **AWARDS:** Best practices projects for inclusion and digital literacy
- The global purposes of this Program are:
 - To overcome the digital divide
 - To enable empowerment and capacity building towards economic and social growth



ICT AND SOCIETY NETWORK

- *Multistakeholders* network on a national scale
 - Built upon the previous national experience with the “Internet Spaces Network” (telecentres);
 - Citizens’ digital empowerment tool;
 - Bottom-up, multi-stakeholder, innovative and inclusive participation model;
 - Entities/individuals to tackle info-exclusion.



NATIONAL COALITION FOR DIGITAL JOBS

- To increase the overall supply of digitally skilled professionals and to better match supply and demand of **digital jobs and skills**.
- **Multistakeholder partnerships**
 - Secretariats of State for Primary and Secondary Schools; Higher Education; Investment, Innovation and Competitiveness and Labour + Industry + Academy + Civil Society Organisations.
- Focus on Grand Coalition objectives 4 and 5 with greater **impact on jobs and skills**:
 - Attracting young to ICT: awareness raising
 - Certification



Thank you!

