



2015-2016 ACTION PLAN PROGRAM OF THE INTERNATIONAL WORKING GROUP ON DIGITAL EDUCATION December 2015

The 2015-2016 common action plan program was presented and endorsed in the field of digital education at the closed session of the 37th international Conference on behalf of the WG¹.

Discussions which were held at the meeting on 29 October, 2015 on the theme « **Competitions and tutorial kits on Privacy: What is the best approach to efficiently target young People?** » ; a group of some 30 DPAs confirmed the WG should further focus on some priority issues to be achieved within the 2015-2016 work program.

→ *See the detailed report of the Amsterdam workshop circulated to all members of the Digital education WG together with this 2015-2016 common action plan program.*

<p><u>Action 1:</u> Evolution of the services provided by the CIRCABC web platform sharing content and teaching material in the field of digital education</p>

- Find a budget to cover costs of translations for some material considered of mutual interest on the platform²;
- The architecture of the CIRCABC area and the classification of some teaching material will be reconsidered;
- Open the online library to create space for new resources designed to DPO beneficiaries, and/ or some sectorial private actors, etc...;
- Implement other useful functions of the platform:

¹ In furtherance of action items aimed at the implementation of the International “Resolution on Digital Education for All” (Warsaw 2013)

² 37% of the uploaded resources are available in English, 34% are uploaded in French

Many resources are naturally also drafted in national languages (even regional), and hence have access to their contents subordinate to translations ; A budget heading should be set for that purpose (it could be looked for funding through the EU Commission or other non EU sources)

- create and share a **calendar** with relevant meetings and events in the area of digital education;
- create an **exchange forum** (with or without any moderator);
- Conduct a short questionnaire survey to get direct feedback and opinion regarding the current and future functioning of the CIRCABC platform.

Action 1bis: Participating in the open portal "Open Education Europa"

<http://www.openeducationeuropa.eu/>

- Explore the opportunity and feasibility of joining the **Open Education Europa portal** (*this initiative of the EU Commission has no connection with the CIRCABC platform*);
- The Open Education Europa portal grants access to existing high-quality Open Education Repositories / resources (OER) in different languages, stimulates ways of learning and teaching through ICT, eLearning...;
- The main objective for our WG would be to upload digital educational content free of copyright constraints in a specific section dedicated to data protection and privacy topics in order to make them easily accessible for learners, teachers, researchers and other training actors or authorities.

Action 2: Develop a tutorial pack aimed at the "training of trainers", with regard to the protection of data and privacy

- Follow up actions in relation to the 2015 survey conducted on **the state of play of the training of trainers and teaching resources**: the WG should make use of the relevant existing training content and materials produced by DPAs or ongoing projects of teaching aids;
- A meeting or round table will be held with interested DPAs in January 2016 in Paris or in one of the capitals (in Poland, Hungary or Slovenia) aimed at discussing and assessing the efficiency of some teaching contents and pedagogical methods with the objective to build on a "competence framework" in data protection and privacy for teachers;
- At the Brussels Conference to be held in January 2016 within the framework of the ARCADES Project³, **the best lessons' scenario in privacy matters** aimed at 6 - 18 year olds will also be awarded to teachers as results of a competition in this matter;
- DPAs will be invited to take part in a two days meeting or round tables at the same venue in Paris or in one of Europe's capital to take advantage of each other works and results on similar issues;

³ ARCADES (introducing dAta pRotection AnD privacy issuEs at schoolS in the European Union), a Consortium composed of the DPAs of Poland, Hungary, Slovenia, and the Free University of Brussels

- In this regard, some guidelines for a **draft Resolution in the field of Privacy Education** to be submitted to the 38th international Conference could be suggested with the aim to draw the attention of Governments and call on them on the necessity of integrating a module in data protection and privacy for teachers within the framework of the initial and continuing academic training outreach;
- A “competence framework” of contents and methods, even an international tutorial package could also be provided with the Resolution;
- At the 38th international Conference taking place in 2016 in Morocco, the international WG will ask to hold an open session with all DPAs on the topic of Digital education whereby the main results of this “competence framework” aimed at trainers worldwide could be presented in line with the proposed Resolution on the same issue.

Action 3: Publish a User Guide for competitions aimed at DPAs and explore the feasibility of launching an international competition among young people aimed at rewarding exemplary and/or innovative educational initiatives with regard to digital education

- Finalize the User guide for conducting competitions in Data protection presented at the Amsterdam workshop;
- Add contributions to be sent out by DPA members to this guide;
- Discuss the final User Guide for competitions at the meeting held in January 2016;
- Explore whether DPAs are willing to commit towards an international competition in Digital education, and, if yes, on which type of competition among “the best competition setups” (*see the 2015 survey report on competitions*) or which one(s) could be considered as the most feasible on a large scale;
- Explore in this regard the opportunities of “**the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Children for the period 2016-2021**”⁴ expected to be adopted in early 2016;
- Whether a consensus was made in the WG, efforts would be set up to ensure the launching of an international competition on Data protection and privacy at young people among DPAs funded by such a program.

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⁴ <http://www.coe.int/en/web/children/-/test?inheritRedirect=true&redirect=%2Fen%2Fweb%2Fchildren%2Fchildren-s-strategy>