

GUIDELINES TO SUPPORT EQUITABLE PARTNERSHIPS OF EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR



An initiative of the Council of Europe's Digital Citizenship Education (DCE) project to support partnerships consistent with the principles of human rights, democracy and the rule of law.



WHO IS THIS FOR?

Private sector companies in the digital learning technology sector and **education actors** working together to create and use digital technologies in any learning setting and empower the users of those technologies whilst supporting new teaching and learning methodologies.

For example:

- ▶ EdTech companies
- ▶ Learning platform providers
- ▶ Software vendors
- ▶ Education ministries
- ▶ Education planners
- ▶ Local municipalities
- ▶ School administrators
- ▶ Education IT specialists
- ▶ Teachers



THE GUIDELINES

- ▶ aim to foster better understanding of digital citizenship in the context of public and private sector partnerships within education
- ▶ are organised around 10 Digital Domains which contain a comprehensive overview of all aspects of digital citizenship
- ▶ provide a checklist of topics to consider when incorporating digital technology solutions in learning settings.

THE PROCESS

- 1 Statement of Commitment**
Education institutions and private sector companies sign up to the Statement of Commitment to express their interest in implementing the Guidelines
- 2 Building Partnerships**
They align their existing partnerships/initiatives with and/or build new ones following the principles of the Guidelines
- 3 Communicating progress**
They communicate sense-making practices and progress on the implementation highlighting significant innovations and new developments

HOW THE GUIDELINES BENEFIT PARTNERS?

- ▶ It builds confidence and trust that digital technologies can create enhanced learning opportunities which are ethical and respectful of human rights, democracy and the rule of law
- ▶ It creates a practical circle of pedagogical practice
- ▶ It contributes to a shared repository of sense-making practices
- ▶ It provides feedback to support further development of policy guidance
- ▶ It increases visibility of a community of practice dedicated to digital citizenship through the Council of Europe website and via its networks in the wider educational community.

