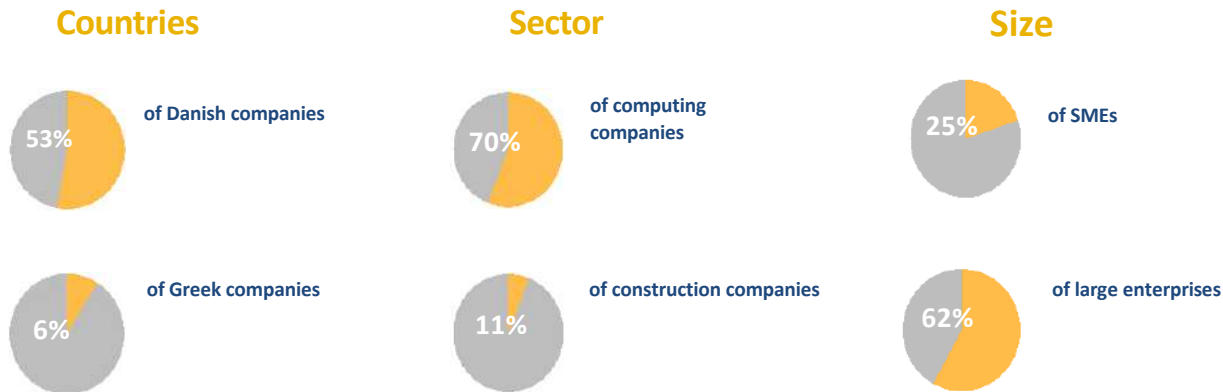


Preparing the network of European DIHs: lessons learned and recommendations

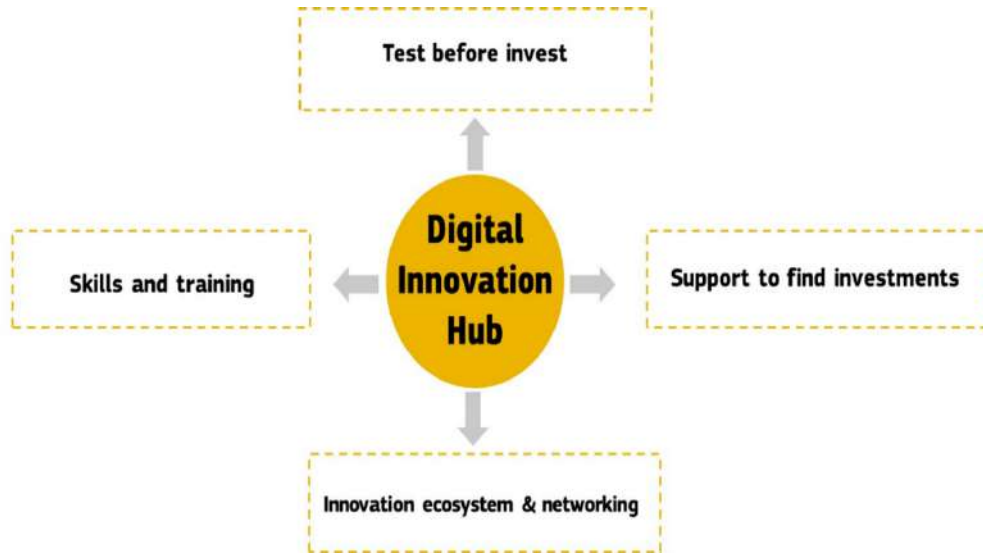
Anne-Marie Sassen, Deputy Head of Unit, DG Connect

European companies are not making the most of all the opportunities digital has to offer

Highly digitised companies across Europe (2019)



European Digital Innovation Hubs provide technological expertise and experimentation facilities to enable the digital transformation of the industry and the public sector



- **Typical participants:**
 - **Research and Technology Organisations, Technical Universities**
 - **In collaboration with:**
 - **Industry associations**
 - **Clusters**
 - **Enterprise Europe Network**
 - **Accelerators/Incubators**
 - **Innovation agencies**
 - **Vocational training institutes**
- **A geographically spread network of up to 200 EDIHs**

The “EU-local” approach



One EDIH “within working distance” for every business in EU

A network to put any company in contact with the competence they need, wherever in the EU

A network where every EDIH can learn from and collaborate with other EDIHs and other projects supported under Digital Europe Programme

Further reading

Selection process in Digital Europe Programme

- <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/european-digital-innovation-hubs-digital-europe-programme-0>

General overview Digital Innovation Hubs

- <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/digital-innovation-hubs>

Practical handbook

- <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/publication/eur-scientific-and-technical-research-reports/digital-innovation-hubs-policy-instruments-boost-digitalisation-smes>