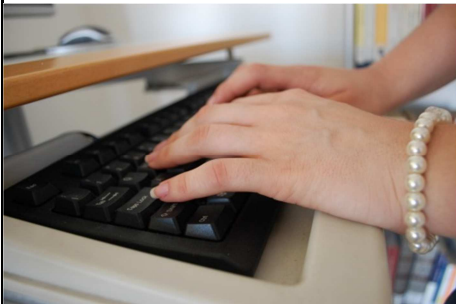


# E-COOP – DIGITAL COOPERATIVES

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## **THE FIRST THEMATIC BROCHURE** **THE PARTICIPATION OF ALL USERS AND STAKEHOLDERS IN DIGITAL PUBLIC SPACES**



The first thematic brochure of the E-Coop project is just about to be published. The topic is the participation of all users and stakeholders in digital public spaces. A digital public space goes by different names...In some EU countries it is called Telecentre or Cyberbase, but most often it has no specific appellation. In all cases, a DPS is above all a powerful channel for the distribution of services with social impact, for the well-being and

development of communities and individuals.

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## **E-COOP BEST PRACTICES**

### ***Engaging communities through ICT***



Learning Services is a team within the Adult Learning & Skills Service of Cambridgeshire County Council. As a Service they specialise in delivering learning to individuals, often in small isolated rural communities and have developed new and innovative ways of engaging learners. One of their key aims is to ensure communities have access and support to participate in the digital society.

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## **E-COOP BEST PRACTICES**



### **Community Access Points (CAPs)**

Community Access Points were set up in Cambridgeshire in 2001 to give rural communities access to the internet and training in online skills. The CAPs were established in community owned buildings or businesses which allowed the public to use the technology provider.

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## **E-COOP BEST PRACTICES**

### **CITILAB**



Citilab is an experimental centre for the active dissemination of technology to citizens; one of the strength of Citilab is to create a real environment where citizens experiment and collaborate on common projects, sharing what they do and do not know jointly.

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## **A study visit in Gironde County (France)**



Gironde County Council, lead partner of the e-COOP project, organized a study visit on December 10th and 11th, 2013. The County representatives aimed at presenting to their European partners some of the main actors and innovative initiatives in the field of “digital mediation” as a means to enhance citizen participation to local social life.

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## **A regional meeting in the United Kingdom - Partnership work in Cambridgeshire**



In 2013 Adult Learning & Skills (ALS) were approached by Jobcentre Plus(JCP) to see if we could work in partnership to create digital spaces in three different locations across Cambridgeshire. These locations were in the centre of Cambridge, to the north of the county in the Fenland town of Wisbech and to the far west of the county in Peterborough.

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## eSpinn platform

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The eSpinn-platform consists of a database, a responsive website, apps and eServices. The webportal is used to both display information from the database as well as serving as an easy to use interface, for entering information. To the platform, different services and apps can be easily connected.

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E-COOP is a project financed by the European Union in the framework of the INTERREG IVC programme. We are working to advance the Union's Digital Agenda through collecting, analysing and sharing local good practices on digital public services and by developing innovative Digital Public Spaces. We also aim to produce a set of comprehensive Policy Guidelines designed to improve local, national and EU-level decision-making and planning processes. Welcome to the latest newsletter of the project.

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