



6G and the Future of Connectivity

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EU policy priorities

- Commission Work Programme 2025; competitiveness compass: competitiveness, decarbonisation, security
- Europe's strategic autonomy in critical technologies: AI, cloud, quantum, semiconductors advanced connectivity
- Tech/ market trends: softwarisation, openness, convergence telco-edge-cloud, AI, ...
- Connectivity backbone of digital economy; but Digital Decade Report shows that EU still lags behind on connectivity goals



Legislative proposals and programs

- **EU Digital Networks Act**
- **EU Cloud and AI Development Act**
- **Horizon, DEP, CEF > new MFF**

Challenges: sovereignty and supply chains, slow deployment, fragmented markets, lack of investments, skills, socio-economic drivers



6G as game changer; R&I challenges

- Artificial intelligence and automation
 - Resilience and security, cybersecurity and privacy protection
 - Radio interface, spectrum efficiency, new frequencies
 - Ubiquitous coverage
 - Sustainability
 - Openness
 - Cloud-Native RAN, softwarisation, Interoperability,..
- ➔ SNS JU achievements in addressing technology, Verticals, International cooperation, standardisation