Development Co-operation Report 2021

Shaping a just digital transformation

Infographic
Infographic 1. Development co-operation is key to shaping a just digital transformation

GLOBAL DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION: A DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGE

**OPPORTUNITIES**

Digital technology can help to:
- Open new economic opportunities
- Improve access to education, healthcare and other services
- Promote transparency and offer platforms for discussion and dissent

Over 90% covered by mobile broadband, but close to 40% of people are offline

**RISKS**

Digital transformation can increase risks of:
- Human rights violations
- Cyber-attacks and data misuse
- Online disinformation
- Exacerbating gender inequality

USD 1 trillion in gross domestic product has been lost in 32 developing countries due to the gender gap in internet use

The ten least affordable countries for 1GB of data were developing countries in 2020

In least developed countries, only 27% of people used the internet in 2021. In Africa, that figure was 33% compared to 87% in Europe

DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION CAN HELP ACHIEVE A JUST DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION FOR ALL BY:

- Ensuring policies and partnerships power an inclusive digital future
- Supporting national and regional building blocks for sustainable digital ecosystems
- Making digital financing fit for purpose with greater scale, innovation and flexibility