

## Reminder: Invitation to Contribute to the Development of a Charter on Digital Sovereignty

Vienna, 23 Juli 2025


Dear Excellency,

Digital sovereignty is one of Europe's key strategic priorities. In light of increasing geopolitical tensions, hybrid threats, and growing technological dependencies, it is essential to strengthen Europe's long-term digital resilience in a sustainable manner – with a particular focus on safeguarding and further enhancing the European Union's digital competitiveness.

Against this backdrop, we invite our fellow Ministers responsible for digital affairs in all Member States to actively engage in developing a Charter on digital sovereignty. The objective is to establish a common European understanding of the core principles of digital sovereignty by the end of 2025.

An initial working meeting to discuss the strategic direction of the Charter is scheduled for **Friday, 12 September 2025, from 12:00 to 14:00**, at the Federal Chancellery in Vienna. The meeting may be attended either in person or online. European Commission Vice-President Henna Virkkunen, who is responsible for digitalisation, has confirmed her participation. For those who are physically coming to Vienna, we are pleased to invite you to a cultural program following the meeting.

The formal signing ceremony of the Charter is planned for Wednesday, 4 December 2025, at 19:00, at AT60 - the House of the Austrian Economy in Brussels, on the eve of the official TTE Council meeting. A separate invitation will be issued in due course.


Expressions of interest in contributing to the development process and attending the meeting on 12 September should be sent immediately via email to . Please indicate whether you will participate in person or

remotely, to facilitate planning. Further details regarding the content and organisation will be provided thereafter.

We would also like to highlight the AIT Technology Talks, scheduled for 11 and 12 September 2025 at the MuseumsQuartier in Vienna, held under the theme “Boosting Competitiveness – The Power of Research and Innovation.” Active participation may be arranged upon request.

We are looking forward to close collaboration in strengthening Europe’s digital sovereignty.

Yours sincerely,



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Federal Chancellor



Alexander Pröll  
State Secretary for Digitalisation