

Vision, Mission & Objectives

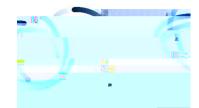
Vision

To create a vibrant and inclusive global entrepreneurial ecosystem, where entrepreneurs thrive, innovation flourishes, and barriers to success are overcome, driving economic prosperity and social impact across DCO ecosystems.

To engage with, empower and catalyze the growth of entrepreneurs and startup ecosystems through collaboration, knowledge sharing, access to resources, fostering innovation, economic development and entrepreneurship and on the ground support for IDM Projects.

Objectives

Support the sustainable and inclusive growth of of the Digital Economy in DCO ecosystem Harmonize policies between member states and streamline digital ecosystem integration in DCO countries Catalyze alignment between governments, private sector, non-profit to support entrepreneurs across DCO member states Serve as a platform for local expansion and support for IDM projects



Mission





Professional Services, Non-profit, non-government Support services to entrepreneurs

Local and Global Markets More accessible, structured, and digitized

As catalysts and source for talent Skilling/Upskilling of Digital Skills Technology Entrepreneurship Education Students and Workforce Development

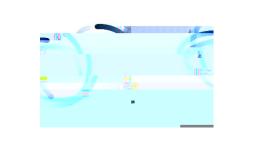


Government Support & Policy Regulatory Framework, Commercial

Laws, Ecosystem Elements Support, Entrepreneurship Support Programs

Mentoring and Advisory Access to opportunities, contacts, knowledge



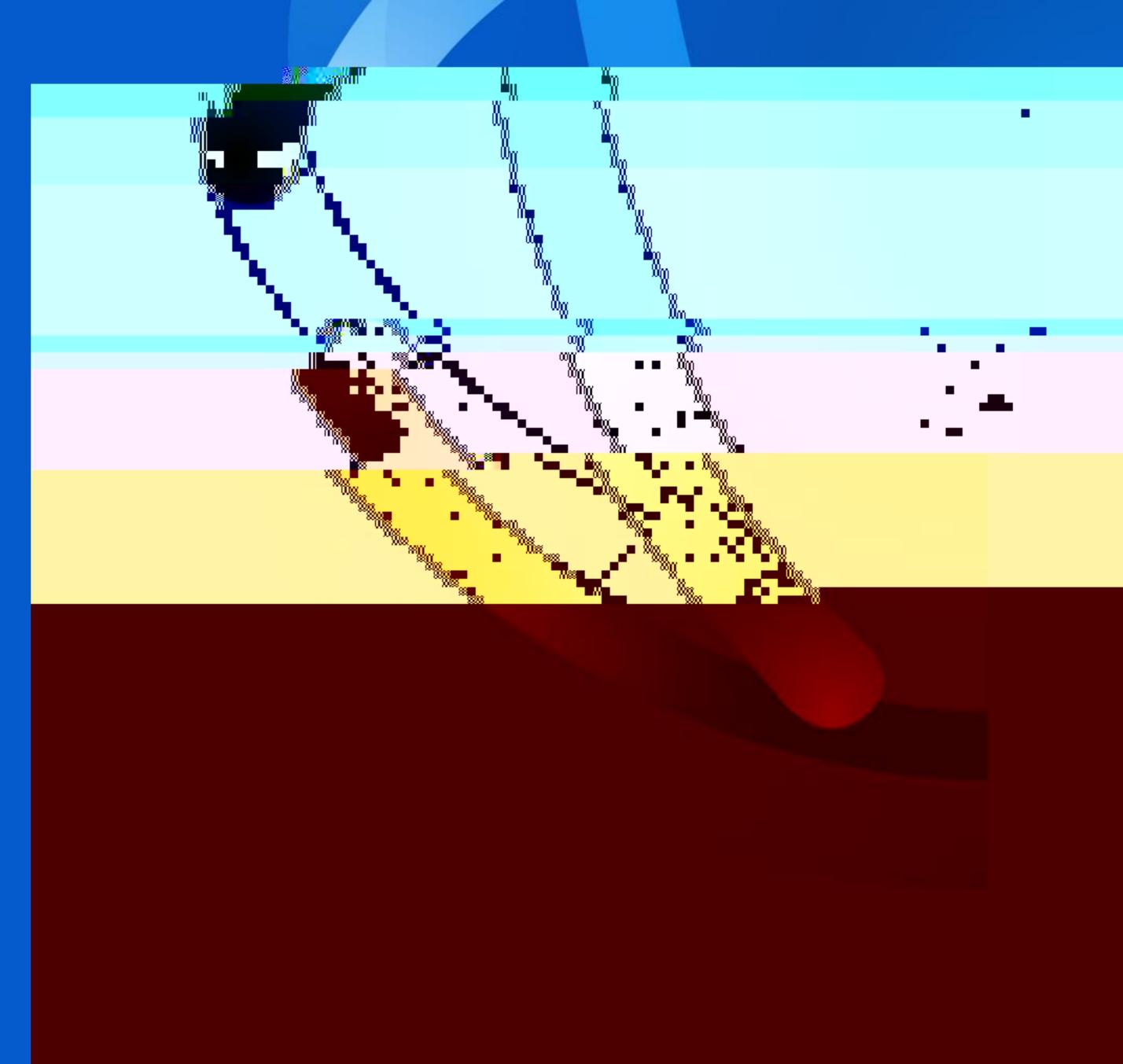


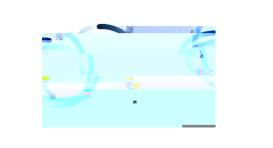






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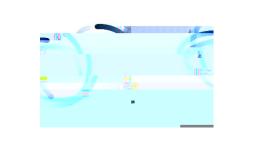


















and display the products and services, expand











Subsidize the onboarding on fully integrated and user-friendly e-commerce platforms that provide centralized marketplaces to promote and display the products and services, expand the reach and foster connections with a broader customer base, and thus, increase sales opportunities. Explore continued subsidization for the smallest businesses, i.e., micro businesses, for a defined period to ensure continuity of the business as well as a smooth phase out for the subsidization.

Establish partnerships with public financial









Engage with the government to raise awareness around the importance of gender-responsive policies and regulations and advocate for policies that notably streamline business regulations and provide tax incentives to ensure a " soft landing"













IDENTIFYING ELIGIBLE BUSINESSES

REACHING OUT TO ELIGIBLE BUSINESSES

BUSINESS ACUMEN & DIGITAL UPSKILLING









ONBOARDING ON E-COMMERCE PLATFORMS MONITORING AND EVALUATING



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- a. The legal and financial situation of the business
 - Phase 1: Onboarding the offline businesses that are formally registered and have a high probability of success upon the digitization. Phase 2: Onboard the offline business that are registered and need more support, notably in terms of access to finance and government incentives, to succeed. Phase 3:" The hard-to-reach businesses" that are not registered but



The project may have different phases, depending on different criteria:





b. The geographic location

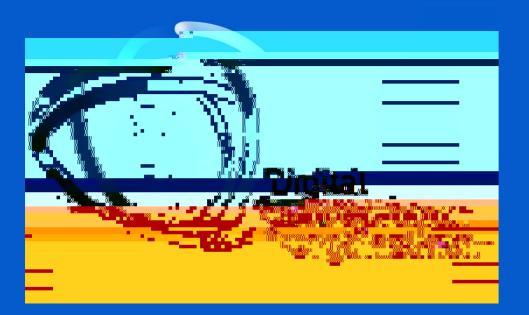
The project can also have different phases depending on the geographic location of the business, i.e., starting with urban zones then covering rural areas, considering internet coverage and connectivity, both for the W-MSMEs as well as their target customer base.



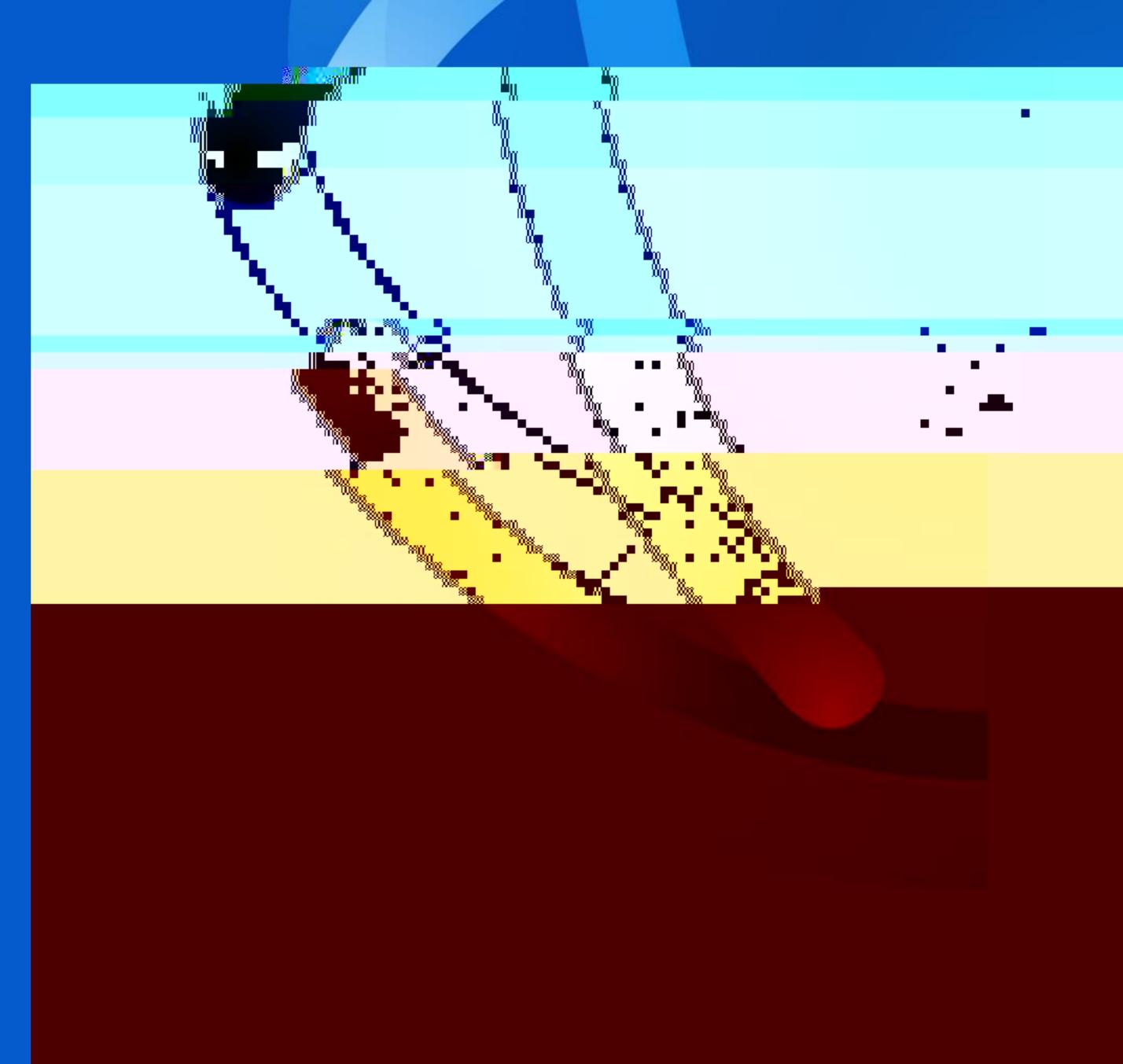








Startup Passport



The Startup Passport?

Despite significant potential global demand for their solutions, startups face legal,









The Startup Passport

Addressing the challenges of :

Reducing administrative and financial **burdens**.

Accelerating corporate registration and other processes for entrepreneurs in one DCO Member State to enter the markets of other DCO Member States.

Opening new opportunities for Startups of DCO Member States.





Opening new opportunities

Analysing additional challenges and translating them in legal provisions:

Visa facilitation for the founders Investment facilitation Intellectual property protection Access to funding and grants Data protection and privacy Collaboration in research and development Cross-border talent mobility Regulatory sandbox Other - TBD







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How can we proceed?

Signing a nonbinding MOU between Member States to join the initiative.

Identifying the barriers/constraints and the required changes.





Signing bilateral agreements to be adopted and implemented by Member States.



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