

# DIGITAL STORYTELLING (DST): DIGITAL PORTFOLIO SOLUTION

# Showcase your skills and expertise through a digital portfolio!

## Why do you need a digital portfolio?

**Employers are interested in what you have learned in practice** during your studies and projects. They also greatly appreciate if this information is available **as a user-friendly digital solution** to which you can provide a link. Therefore, it is important to have a digital portfolio where you showcase:

- **products** you have created individually or as part of a student team.
- knowledge, skills, and competences you have developed through your projects.
- attitudes and values you have developed when learning individually and collaboratively.

#### Phase 1) Decide what to include in the portolio

- Do not just provide links to the digital products you have created, but always also describe what you
  learned during the process. For example, provide a concise bullet list of key insights, skills, attitudes,
  and values you developed in relation to teamwork, stakeholder collaboration, target audiences,
  digital knowhow, or project goals and impact.
- To gain insight into your skills development, you can make use of these assessment materials:
  - o Assessment criteria for DST projects
  - o Instructions for self and peer assessment.

### Phase 2) Choose a platform for the publication of the portfolio

- Plan a personalized portfolio with a user-friendly navigation and visual design.
- You can use any digital platform for your portfolio that you find suitable. There are several free website publication platforms you can choose from:
  - o Wix
  - o Site123
  - WordPress
  - Weebly

#### Phase 3) Build a portfolio that supports your personal and professional brand

- To support your personal and professional brand, you can also include a video of yourself, following these video cover letter instructions.
- For inspiration, here are two digital portfolios designed by higher education students:
  - o Portfolio by Heikki Karstu
  - o Portfolio by Bíborca Machó
- Design your portfolio keeping in mind the employer's user perspective and needs. What makes your portfolio stand out from the crowd? How to convince the employer of your competences?



