



Accessibility "by default" in public procurement

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The Agency for Digital Italy (AGID)

The Agency for Digital Italy was established in 2012. It works under the supervision of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers.

AGID is the national authority for ICT growth and keeps the European and international relationships on that issue.

AGID coordinates and supports public administrations in their effective development and use of ICT.

AGID improves quality of services and spending review, with broad competences in e-Government, information society and technology innovation.

AGID promotes e-Government by providing advice at the legislative, policy-making and implementation levels.

AGID defines criteria and technical rules on ICT security, interoperability and performance for all Public Administrations.

AGID promotes a wider participation of the Public Administration in European programmes and initiatives linked to the digital governance.

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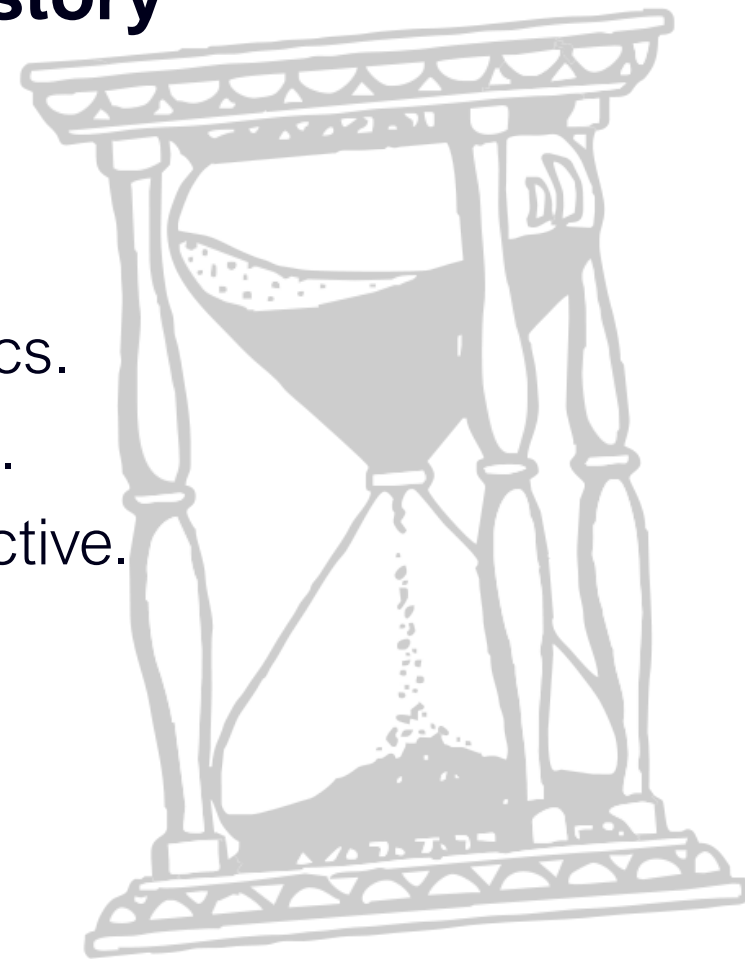


The Role of AGID: Skills & Functions

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| Coordination | Coordinating ICT for local, regional and central administrations. | Digital Literacy | Promoting and spreading digital literacy initiatives also through the deployment of ICT educational means. |
| Guidelines | Issuing technical rules, guidelines & methodologies for ICT, always taking into account accessibility and inclusion principles. | Innovation & Research | Implementing strategic projects in the field of innovation and research in compliance with the Italian and European Digital Agendas. |
| Standardisation | Improving quality and usability of Public ICT systems for Citizens and Private Companies, and full integration with national and European standards. | Strategic Planning | Drafting the Triennial Plan as the national digital strategy together with the PAs involved. |
| Monitoring | Monitoring the digital growth and the efficiency of ICT expenditures through the cooperation with other public bodies. | Access to Digital Services | Promoting use of technologies and online services in order to assure the digital growth. |

ICT Accessibility: italian law history

- 2004: Stanca Act – General rules.
- 2005: Stanca Act – Technical Requirements.
- 2012: Code for Digital Italy – Requirement for digital docs.
- 2013: Stanca Act – Update technical Req. (WCAG 2.0).
- 2018: Stanca Act – Updated for Web Accessibility Directive.



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Italian actions for accessibility

- WCAG 2.1 – official Italian language translation
<https://www.w3.org/Translations/WCAG21-it/>
- EN 301549:2018 – official Italian language translation (available free of charge)
<http://store.uni.com/catalogo/index.php/uni-en-301549-2018.html>
- E-Procurement accessibility:
 - Required by law since 2004 for Web Sites and ICT products.
 - Upgrading for require accessibility for all ICT products an service (compliant to EN 301549 v. 2.1.2).
 - Education and outreach about accessibility of (web) contents.

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