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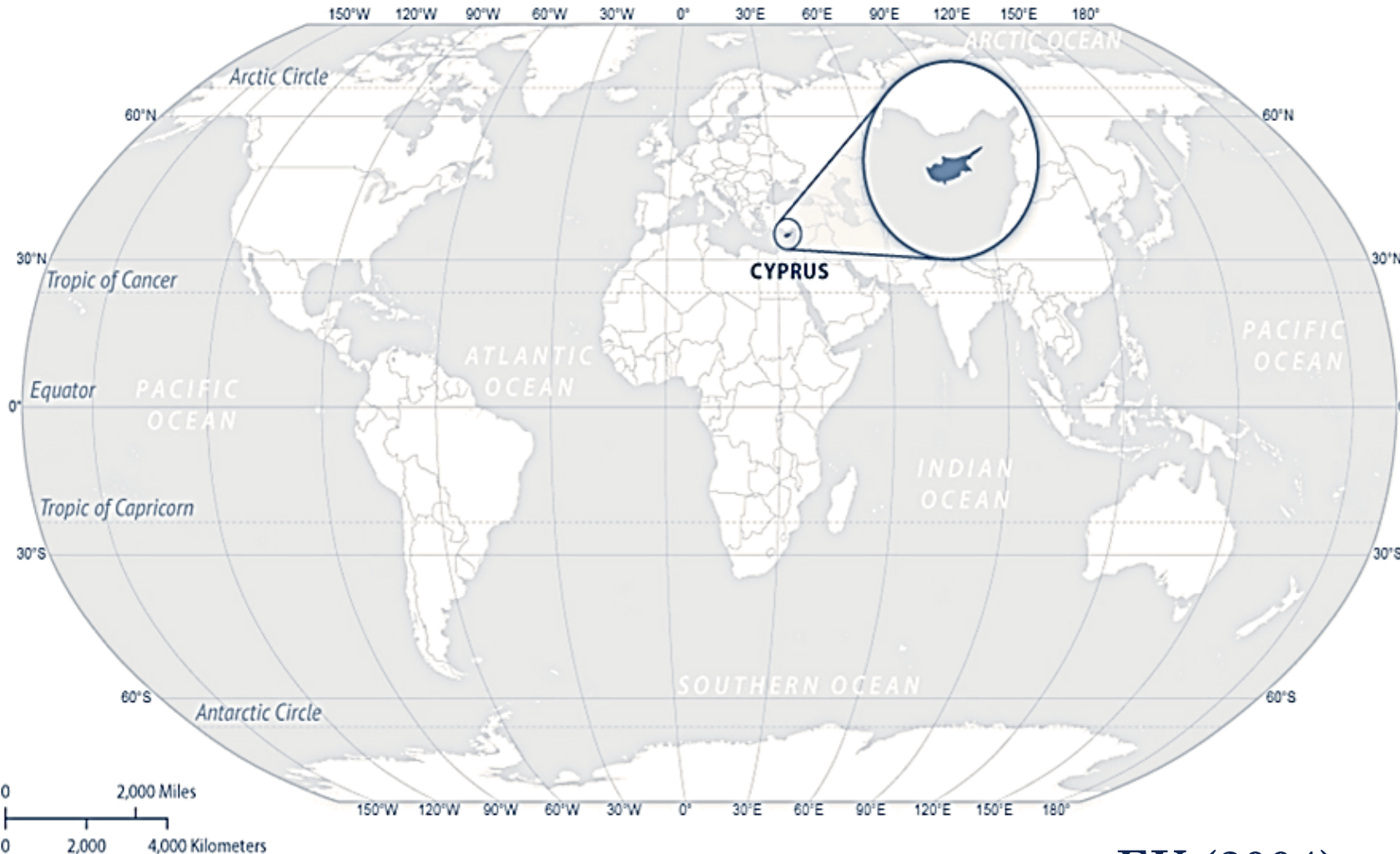
Unlocking our digital future

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Cyprus ...



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GMT+2



Nicosia



Greek, Turkish,
English in business

+3.2% **€21.9bn**

GDP growth
(pro-Covid)

GDP
(2019)



EU (2004) and Eurozone member (2008)

Vision ...



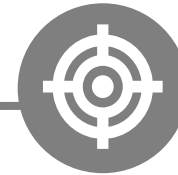
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Build a modern, digitised society, supported by efficient, transparent, open and reliable structures, maximising economic and societal value.



Develop a dynamic, knowledge-based economy, driven by research, innovation and technological advancement.

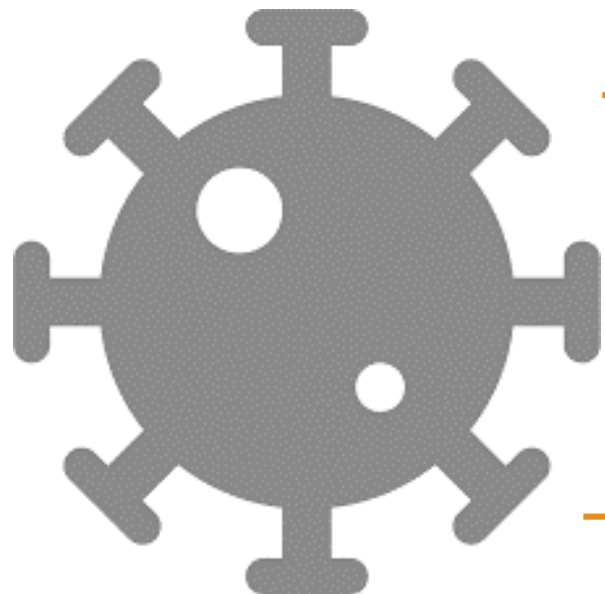


Enhance Cyprus' competitiveness at european and international level.

Through digital transformation, we aspire to improve to improve the quality of life of Cypriot citizens

Challenges ...

- Digital transformation is a **long, complex iterative** process
- Cannot be completed in a single, giant leap
- **Challenges:** functionality, state financial capability, infrastructure and connectivity, digital skills, cultural change
- **Covid19 as an “enabler” for digital transformation**



Accelerated the digitisation of state services, critical for gov function and interaction with citizens and businesses

Reshuffled priorities, not in terms of essence, but of prioritisation and timeframe of implementation

Enhanced citizens’ digital skills and made digital transformation a demand of society

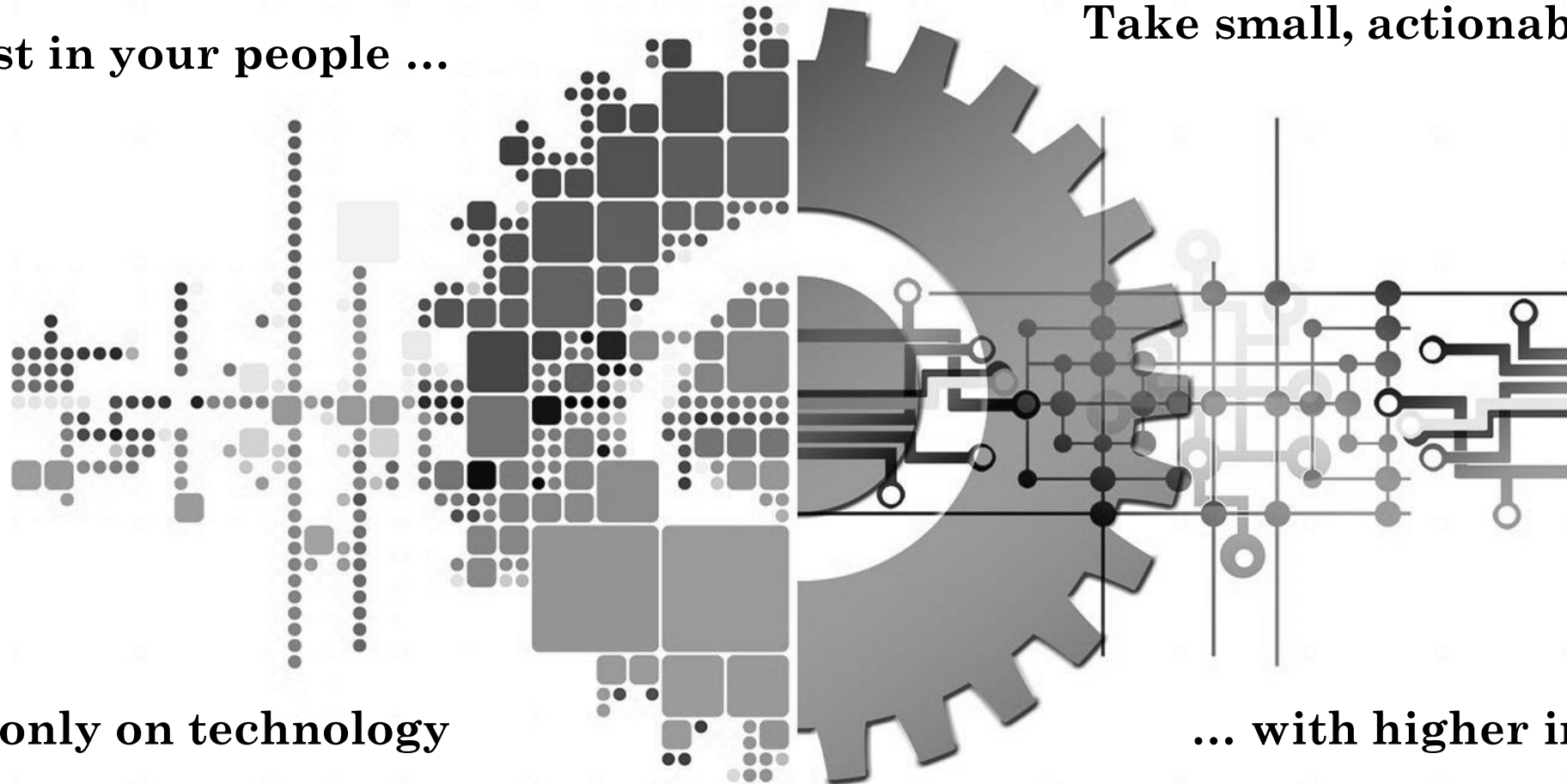
Turn **VISION** ... into **ACTION**



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Invest in your people ...

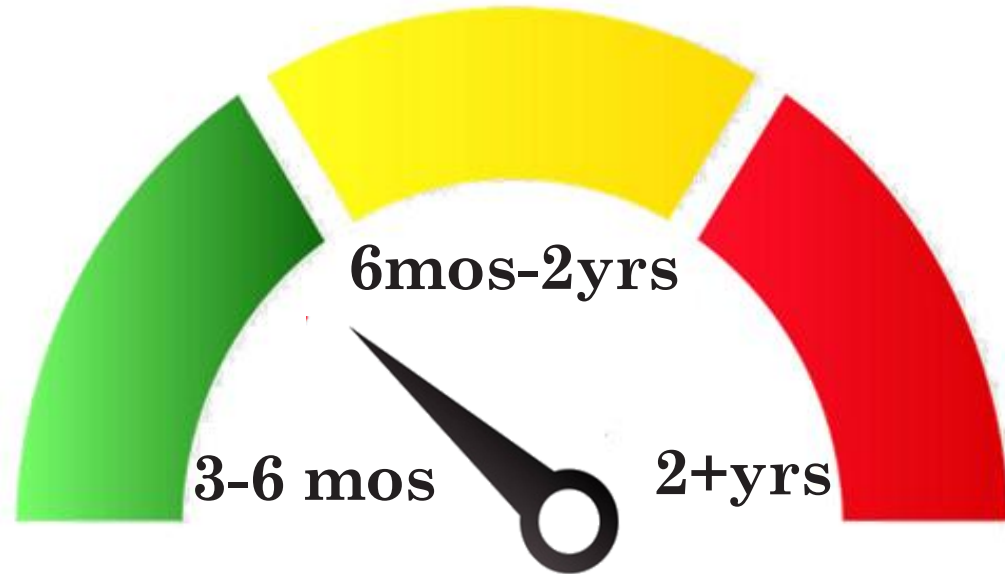
Take small, actionable steps ...



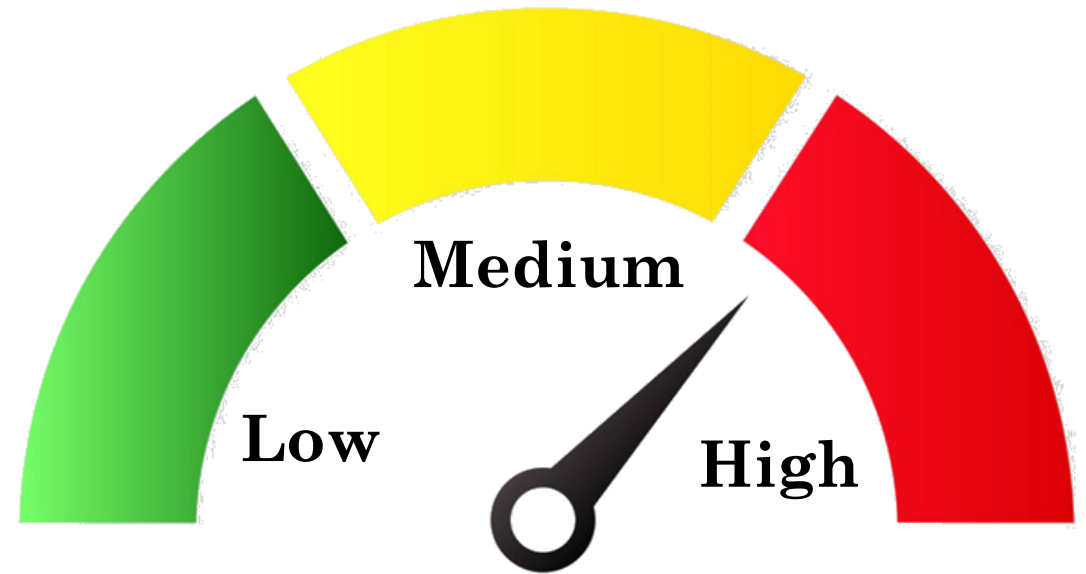
... not only on technology

... with higher impact

Prioritise based on ...



Time needed for implementation:
choose steps which can be implemented
within the next 3-6 months



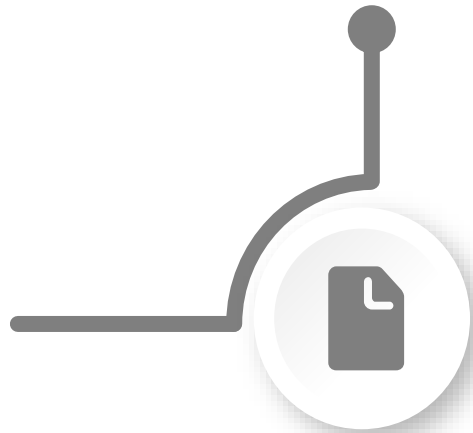
Value and impact: choose projects with
greater value for the government, the
economy, and society in its whole

Digital Roadmap (II)

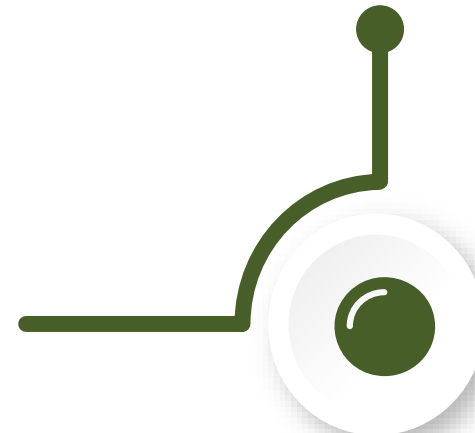
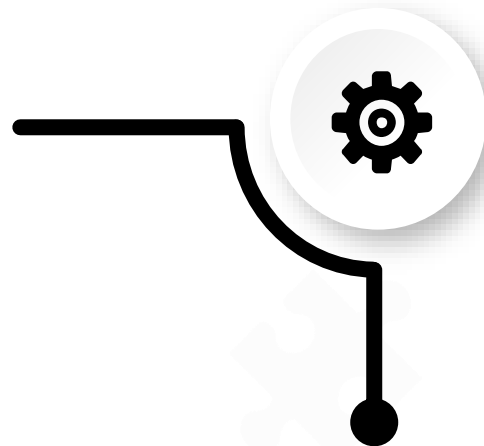


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eID project:
e-signature and e-authentication



Effective telecoms infrastructure
– deploy 5G networks



Web services at vital departments: Town
Planning, Land Registry, Ministry of Labour,
Citizen Service Centres

Optimisation of Government
Gateway - Ariadne

In parallel ...



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Implement ongoing large-scale projects in priority areas:



- Health: Hospital Information System (HIS)



- Education: Support Systems



- Justice: A comprehensively digitised justice system



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“
Think big.
Start small.
Act now!
”

Robin Sharma