Budget RAY DIGI (in Euro)			
2026 & 2027 // Part 1 of 2		transnational	
	units	costs/unit	total costs
2026			
Research development			
Refinement of research instruments for modules	5	430	2.150
Development of digital readiness survey	10	430	4.300
Subtotal research development	**5**		**6.450**
Research implementation			
Transnational analysis of case studies	15	390	5.850
Analysis of new monitoring survey data	10	390	3.900
Data collection for digital readiness survey	10	350	3.500
Data analysis of digital readiness survey responses	10	390	3.900
Support to national research partners for interviews	10	390	3.900
Working group meetings (virtual or F2F)	10	390	3.900
Subtotal research implementation	**65**		**24.950**
Research coordination			
Coordination of project partners	10	350	3.500
Working group coordination	10	390	3.900
Research team coordination	10	430	4.300
Alignment with SALTO PI & SNACs	10	390	3.900
Subtotal research coordination	**40**		**15.600**
Research meetings			
Costs for virtual hosting tools			2.000
Costs for physical meetings *			5.000
Subtotal research meetings			**7.000**
Research communication			
Development of policy and practice briefs	5	390	1.950
Development of fact sheets and infographics	5	390	1.950
Contribution to Triangular Summit	5	390	1.950
Contribution to staff trainings & thematic meetings	10	390	3.900
Subtotal research communication	**25**		**9.750**
Research total without overhead	135		63.750
Overhead 20%			12.750
Total 2026			**76.500**

* including working group meetings, network meeting, triangular summit, strategy group

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Budget RAY DIGI (in Euro)			
2026 & 2027 // Part 2 of 2		transnational	
	units	costs/unit	total costs
2027			
Research development			
Refinement of research instruments for modules	5	430	2.150
Subtotal research development	**5**		**2.150**
Research implementation			
Transnational analysis of stakeholder interviews	20	390	7.800
Data analysis of digital readiness survey responses	10	390	3.900
Support to national research partners	10	390	3.900
Working group meetings (virtual or F2F)	10	390	3.900
Subtotal research implementation	**50**		**19.500**
Research coordination			
Coordination of project partners	5	350	1.750
Working group coordination	5	390	1.950
Research team coordination	5	430	2.150
Alignment with SALTO PI	5	390	1.950
Coordination with SNAC digitalisation	5	390	1.950
Subtotal research coordination	**25**		**9.750**
Research meetings			
Costs for virtual hosting tools			1.000
Costs for physical meetings *			4.000
Subtotal research meetings			**5.000**
Research communication			
Development of policy and practice briefs	5	390	1.950
Development of fact sheets and infographics	5	390	1.950
Contribution to staff trainings & thematic meetings	10	390	3.900
Subtotal research communication	**20**		**7.800**
Research total without overhead	100		44.200
Overhead 20%			9.100
Total 2027			**53.300**

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