# The Internet's Contribution to the European Economy

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## The Internet is one of the few sectors of the economy that is strong and growing



Source: MGI, 2011

### SMEs use internet technologies to start, grow, be more productive and compete globally



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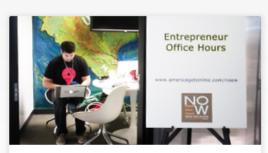
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### The Internet benefits a wide variety of industries and sectors across the economy







### Internet-driven growth agenda for Europe

- Complete the Digital Single Market
- Foster digital entrepreneurship: remove barriers to starting and closing business, better access to finance and mentorship
- Promote digital skills and Internet-driven education
- Allow data-driven innovation to flourish in private and public sector

Challenge: We must preserve the qualities of the internet that make it a source of innovation





