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EU skills and jobs explorer

Interactive dashboards for policy analysts

Croatia

Aims

The solution aims to support policy analysts in the following questions:

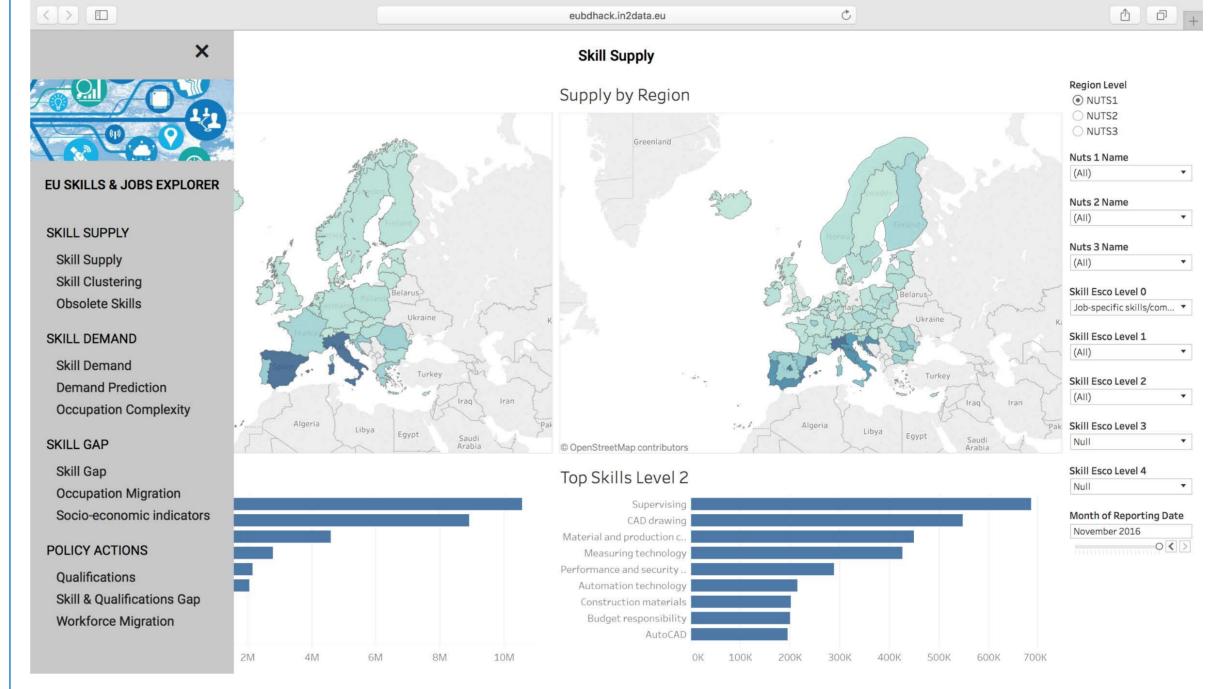
- Which skills are in supply and demand, and where is the biggest skill gap across EU regions?
- How can the skill gap be closed?

Data

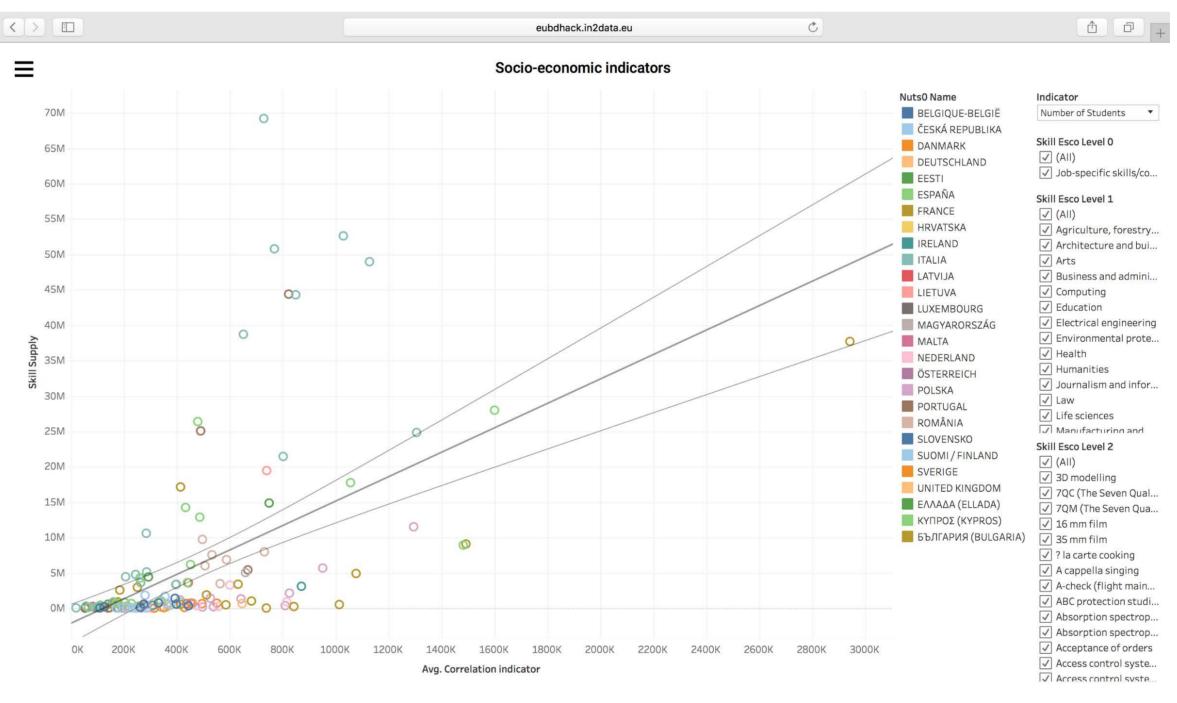
- Cedefop vacancy data
- EURES job vacancies and CVs
- Surveys: LFS, SILC and PIAAC
- ESCO and ISCO
- Cedefop ESJ survey
- Various Eurostat data sets at regional level (macroeconomic indicators, sociodemographic data, NUTS region shape files, etc.)

Results

Skill supply dashboard with collapsable menu



Correlation analysis of various socioeconomic indicators and skill gap



Methods, technologies and tools

- Entire solution is running on Google Cloud Platform
- All data were loaded on Google Cloud storage (data lake) and then loaded on Google Big Query
- For most data processing we used a cloud instance with Python and R
- There was no time for advanced NLP methods, so we mainly used fuzzy matching
- Dashboards were built using Tableau and embedded into website

Conclusions

Key achievements:

- skill supply, demand and gaps can be measured on all NUTS and ESCO levels;
- obsolete skills and occupations with high skill volatility can be identified & skills in demand forecasted;
- analysis of qualifications vs skill demand and workforce migration can support policy actions.

Main challenges:

- the biggest issue was asymmetry in data availability across member countries and regions;
- advanced NLP methods are required, which are time consuming.