

NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2019

Dear colleagues and friends of EIT Digital,

In her recent statement to the European Parliament Margrethe Vestager, Commissioner-designate for a '**Europe fit for the Digital Age**', named climate change and the digital transformation as two of the biggest challenges Europe faces: "Both will affect every part of our daily lives," she said. "And as global competition gets tougher, we'll need to work harder to preserve a level playing field." With that, she pledged to help Europe build on its own strength and values so that our society is both strong and fair - and that for all of Europeans.

At EIT Digital, Margrethe Vestager's words fall on fruitful ground. Our mission is neither only the development of urgently needed digital and entrepreneurial talents, nor is it exclusively supporting the global commercial success of European digital innovation. Our mission is also to bring European values to the digital world and to ensure that our European views on society, on how we want to live together and respect each other, have a strong footprint on the digital world of the future.

I hope you will enjoy this latest edition of our newsletter and discover many opportunities to engage and jointly scale up!

Willem Jonker CEO, EIT Digital

Linnar Viik new Chairman of EIT Digital Supervisory Board

The EIT Digital General Assembly elected on 12 September Estonian Linnar Viik as new Chairman of the EIT Digital Supervisory Board. Mr Viik succeeds outgoing Chairman Raymond Freymann, who served EIT Digital as Chairman for the last four years.



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The EIT Digital Conference 2019 through the eyes of the media



Thanks to your commitment, the EIT Digital Conference 2019 was a tremendous success! Let's discover some of this year's best press coverage, capturing the essence of our keynotes and presenting exhibitors from the Innovators Village.

- <u>L'Usine Digitale</u>
- Innova Spain
- Corriere delle Comunicazioni
- Forbes Hungary
- <u>Startup Italia</u>

- <u>EurActiv</u>
- <u>La Stampa</u>
- <u>Qubit</u>
- Dirigentes Digital



New partnership agreement with Krakow Technology Park strengthens ties with Polish deep tech ecosystem

The new partnership will boost the international growth of Polish scaleups by working together

FINALIST 2019

25 finalists of EIT Digital Challenge 2019 can win international growth support totalling €750,000!

The exceptional scaleups competing in the finals on 6 November offer unique deep tech solutions ready to conquer Europe and the world: from a with EIT Digital's business developers and access to finance experts. And the cooperation will help bridge the digital skills gap by better serving Polish students and professionals with EIT Digital's education and training activities. device that measures blood sugar levels without finger pricking to a radiofrequency drone detection technology and a platform that delivers information about mobility behaviour through smartphone sensors.

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No need for prototyping: HYPER platform enables users to 'feel' Virtual Reality images



Do you want to test a new airplane seat, change its fabric, colour setting, or the light setup in the cabin? EIT Digital-supported startup HYPER launched a spatial design platform that fuses virtual reality with real, motion-tracked models, enabling clients to physically experience their visions. This saves time and money, and drastically reduces waste during the prototyping design phase.

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EIT Digital Doctoral School graduates 2019 combine strong research and business skills - with 100% employability!



The 15 PhD graduates of the 2019 class received their diplomas at a

ceremony held on 2 October 2019 in Helsinki. Their thesis subjects ranged from User Experience (UX) for children and assisting elderly with mobility constraints, to blockchain for smart grids, and machine learning.

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Looking for creative input to your business and innovation problems? EIT Digital Deephacks are the solution!



The highly popular EIT Digital DeepHacks are open innovation platforms, designed to solve or advance in hackathon-style events your business and innovation problems. The next Deephacks are planned for **8-11 November in Tilburg** (logistics) and **22-24 November in Hamburg** (mobility ecosystem). As EIT Digital industry partner, you can use the platform to explore a variety of solutions or approaches for your business challenges, build eco-systems around product platforms and scout for talent, experts and stealth mode startups.

Join our Data Science for Business Innovation online course!



The EIT Digital Professional School together with Politecnico di Milano, one of the top technical universities in Europe and EIT Digital Partner, is offering a blended course "Data Science for Business Innovation". Join the course and understand the foundations of data analysis for taking informed decisions on data-driven business, innovation and strategies!

Sign up now!

Open Vacancies

- Business Developer Edinburgh (Scotland)
- Business Developer DeepHack Brussels or any EU location
- Business Developer BeNeLux

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SAVE THE DATES - INNOVATION DAYS 2019

- Trento, Italy 28 November 2019
- Budapest, Hungary 3 December 2019
- London, UK 4 December 2019
- Edinburgh, Scotland 4 December 2019
- Paris, France 5 December 2019
- Stockholm, Sweden 10 December 2019
- Eindhoven, Netherlands 10 December 2019
- Madrid, Spain 11 December 2019
- Espoo, Finland 12 December 2019



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