



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Colleagues, Partners and Friends of EIT Digital,

Much has happened at EIT Digital this month and we are delighted to review the activities generated by EIT Digital's pan-European ecosystem for a strong digital Europe.

In this edition, you will read about the impressive development our organisation has made, illustrated by our **2018 Annual Report**. You will also learn about the substantial boost to **EIT Digital 2020** submission numbers and discover how our project **UAV-Retina** combines drones with innovative software to find missing persons and monitor fires.

The EIT Digital Academy will report about **Doctoral School** graduate and serial founder Balázs Horváth, who shows that philanthropy can inspire entrepreneurship.

Last, but not least, you will discover the **first speakers confirmed for our EIT Digital Conference**. I will be joined by MEP Eva Kaili, Vodafone Institute's Nuria Oliver and Konux CEO Andreas Kunze as well as many other inspiring personalities, who you can meet and engage with on September 10.

I am looking forward to meeting you there in person - and if you haven't done so yet, register now!

Willem Jonker
CEO, EIT Digital

First speakers confirmed for EIT Digital Conference

The line-up for EIT Digital's annual conference features European Parliament Member Eva Kaili, Vodafone Institute's Nuria Oliver and Konux CEO Andreas Kunze. Stay tuned for our updates and register before we run out of places!

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EIT Digital's Annual Report 2018 demonstrates impressive progress

More than 80 products and services commercially launched, 61 scaleups supported by the EIT Digital Accelerator, 390 students newly enrolled in the EIT Digital Master School, and a new high of 215 partners. These are just some of the impressive figures demonstrating the performance and positive development of EIT Digital in 2018.

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Purpose-driven industrial EIT Digital Doctorate student wants to create impact

The EIT Digital Master School changed the mindset of Balázs Horváth, now an industrial doctorate student at EIT Digital's Doctoral School and a serial entrepreneur. First profit was top of his mind, now he motivated by a purpose.

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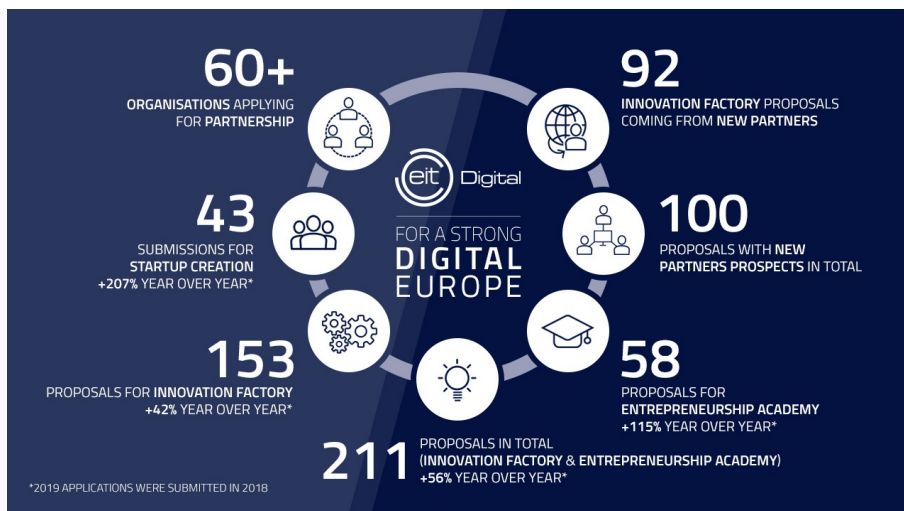


Digital Venture Programme applications exceed expectations

Almost 190 applications across four regions resulting in signed contracts with 28 teams! The Programme supports entrepreneurial teams from 19 countries with deep tech business ideas to finalise their Minimum Viable Product (MVP) and start their venture.

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Impressive boost to EIT Digital 2020 submission numbers



Within days of the deadline for submissions ending, it was clear that the interest for this year annual call for proposals, the ‘EIT Digital 2020’, would exceed expectations. We saw an impressive increase, both in the number and the value of submitted proposals. More than 200 proposals were submitted, showing an increase of almost 60% compared to last year.

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UAV-Retina, an all-in-one solution to find missing persons and monitor fires with real-time data analysis



There’s no shortage on the market of drones being used for emergency situations, but UAV-Retina, an innovation activity promoted by EIT Digital within its Digital Cities focus area, was designed to go one step further. It has developed drones that can fly autonomously, without the need for human intervention and offers an all-in-one solution, a hardware and software platform with on-the-fly analysis, that can be used by search and rescue teams to find missing persons or monitoring fires.

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What policies for a digital European industry?

On May 22, EIT Digital and EIT Manufacturing gathered select representatives of the European Commission and the EIT family to discuss the potential impact of digital transformation on European

industry as well as possible policy measures to mitigate adverse consequences for society.

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Join Nokia Open Innovation Challenge 2019!

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EIT Digital partner Nokia (www.nokia.com) organizes annually a global competition, the Nokia Open Innovation Challenge, seeking the best-in-class innovative technologies, products and solutions within the Industrial Automation domain. If you have an Industrial Automation innovation that could change the world, the Nokia Open Innovation Challenge is for you to attend.

A total of USD 175 000 are available to the winning companies. The winners will also be given access to Nokia Bell Labs research & development resources, as well as opportunities to grow their business through a joint partnership with Nokia, or possible investment opportunities with NGP Capital, partners of the event. Submit your application by June 30th.

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Open Vacancies

[Chief Financial Officer - Brussels - EU Nodes](#)

[Satellite Office Administrator - Edinburgh](#)

[Node Director Italy](#)

[Business Developer - France](#)

[Business Developer - Edinburgh](#)

Reserve your seat at our upcoming events

[EIT Digital opens Braga Satellite](#)

June 26, 2019

[Driving the Digital Transformation of manufacturing - A Digital Industry networking event](#) (Milan)

June 19, 2019

[Industrial Doctorate meetups: from research to business](#)

(Paris)

June 20, 2019

[Data collection: Do we store too much data? - A Digital Tech networking event](#) (Paris)

June 27, 2019

[EIT Digital Conference 2019 - For A Strong Digital Europe!](#)

(Brussels)

September 10, 2019

[European Days for Sustainable Circular Economy](#) (Helsinki)

September 30, 2019

[EIT Digital Master School Kick-Off 2019](#) (Trento)

October 25, 2019



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