

# EIT Digital seeks Chief Education Officer

## About us

EIT Digital is a leading European digital innovation and entrepreneurial education organisation driving Europe's digital transformation.

EIT Digital delivers breakthrough digital innovations to the market and breeds entrepreneurial talent for economic growth and improved quality of life in Europe. It does this by mobilising a pan-European ecosystem of over 150 top European corporations, SMEs, start-ups, universities and research institutes. As a Knowledge and Innovation Community of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology, EIT Digital is focused on entrepreneurship and is at the forefront of integrating education, research and business by bringing together students, researchers, engineers, business developers and entrepreneurs. This is done in our pan-European network of Co-Location Centres in Berlin, Eindhoven, Helsinki, London, Paris, Stockholm, Trento, as well as in Budapest and Madrid. We also have a hub in Silicon Valley. For more information, visit [www.eitdigital.eu](http://www.eitdigital.eu).

EIT Digital is an equal opportunity employer and values diversity.

## EIT Digital Academy

The EIT Digital Academy delivers the EIT Digital entrepreneurial education programs and operates through four schools: Master School, Doctoral School, Professional School and Summer School. The EIT Digital Academy equips its students with both deep tech digital skills as well as entrepreneurial skills.

The EIT Digital Academy is closely linked to the EIT Digital Innovation and Entrepreneurship activities that focus on bringing technology to market and scaling up of digital ventures. Students from the EIT Digital Academy for the human link between the education and innovation activities of EIT Digital.

The EIT Digital Academy is delivering entrepreneurial digital talents through deep embedding of entrepreneurship into the education programs as well as applying novel on-line education techniques (such as MOOC, blended education, mobility, industry internships).

## The Role

The Chief Education Officer (CEdO) is responsible for the strategy, operation, delivery, and financial sustainability of the EIT Digital Academy. The CEdO works in close collaboration with the C-level of EIT Digital and reports to the CEO. The CEdO is the line manager of the Heads of School and is supported by the EIT Digital Education office. The CEdO is expected to interact at a strategic level with the partners that contribute to the EIT Digital Academy, in close collaboration with the Node Directors.

## Responsibilities

EIT Digital looks for a Chief Education Officer with an excellent academic educational background complemented with industrial and European (international) experience. The CEdO's main responsibilities are:

- Daily management of the EIT Digital Academy with a focus on operational excellence;
- Development of EIT Digital education strategy in line with the overall EIT Digital Strategy, and document this in the EIT Digital SIA;
- Drive the evolution and expansion of the EIT Digital education program, as well as its impact, role and profile in Europe;
- Supervise the recruitment and admission processes of the various schools in the EIT Digital Academy;

- Assure the quality of the EIT Digital Academy schools, amongst others via the EIT Label;
- Pursue additional funding streams at national level, in collaboration with Node Directors;
- Work with the EIT Digital Head of Communication to ensure high visibility of the program;
- Propose the yearly budget, monitor its evolution and provide timely reporting as required by EIT Digital and EIT.

#### **Qualifications**

- At least 10+ years of experience at senior academic level (dean, vice-president of education) in education management, with international experience, where industry experience is an advantage;
- PhD in ICT, or STEM with extensive experience in ICT education
- Proven track record in academic and/or industrial innovation and R&D
- Hands-on mentality and effective in execution
- Team worker
- Communication and reporting skills at executive level

#### **Languages**

- Fluent in English and in the language spoken at the chosen site of work
- Knowledge of any of the following languages Dutch, French, Finnish, German, Hungarian, Italian, Spanish or Swedish is a merit

#### **International travel**

The CEo needs to be prepared to travel between the EIT Digital nodes and Brussels on a regular base. Expect at least 50% travel.

#### **Place of employment**

EIT Digital Brussels, Belgium. Work from a different EIT Digital location might be discussed.

#### **Reporting to**

EIT Digital Chief Executive Officer

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#### **To Apply**

Please mail a resume and motivation letter to [cedo@eitdigital.eu](mailto:cedo@eitdigital.eu), outlining how your skills and experience meet the qualifications of the position.

Applications without a motivation letter will not be considered.

Due to the large amount of applications we normally receive, we will only be able to follow up with shortlisted candidates.

***Applications should be submitted before 5pm Friday June 1, 2018.***