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The Digital Europe MERIT project will build a **dynamic and international educational ecosystem aiming to reduce Europe's skills gap among digital specialists.**

As a result of the project, MERIT will also create an **industry-driven Master programme** set upon the basis of technological market trends and industry needs focused **on AI, IoT and cybersecurity.**

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The Challenges

Two-fifths of the EU workforce have limited or no digital skills. Both industry and society need to acquire and improve their digital skills so that digital innovations can be fully exploited in the industry and daily life.

Currently, the education system is not capable of boosting the digital skill level. **Modern master study programs are needed** to increase the number of experts in the area of advanced digital skills.

Society edification and **life-long learning programs are also needed** to support requalification and upskilling of the existing working force.

The education programs **are not aligned enough with the industry's needs.** Therefore, a close collaboration between different institutions is needed to develop transferable digital skills.

The Solution: MERIT

The Master of Science in Smart, Secure and Interconnected Systems (MERIT) will **create an industry-driven** Master programme set on the basis of technology market trends and industry needs focused on:

- **Artificial Intelligence**
- **Internet of Things**
- **Cybersecurity**

MERIT will contribute to the digital economy by creating an ecosystem targeting the enhancement of young people's capacities for innovation, entrepreneurship and employability. It will be achieved through academic training as well as enhanced on-the-job training at the university level - supported by continued education.
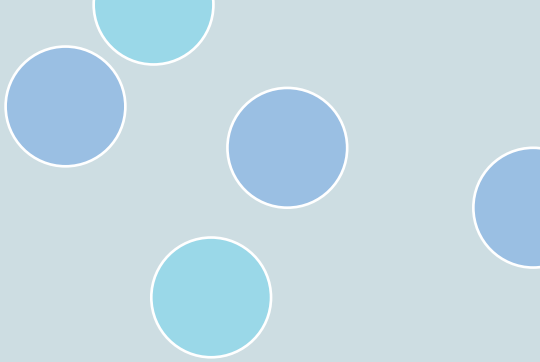
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