



**Welcome to the latest edition of the EIT Digital newsletter!**

This month, we're highlighting how EIT Digital is supporting Europe's innovation ecosystem—from connecting top digital talent to unlocking new growth markets and supporting cutting-edge research collaborations.

We kick off with the **Open Innovation Factory**, EIT Digital's year-round gateway for digital startups to access tailored growth opportunities across Europe. Check out what's in store for you, [here](#).

We're also proud to introduce **TalentGateway**, our new platform helping companies find innovation-ready tech professionals and guiding job seekers toward curated, AI-powered upskilling paths.

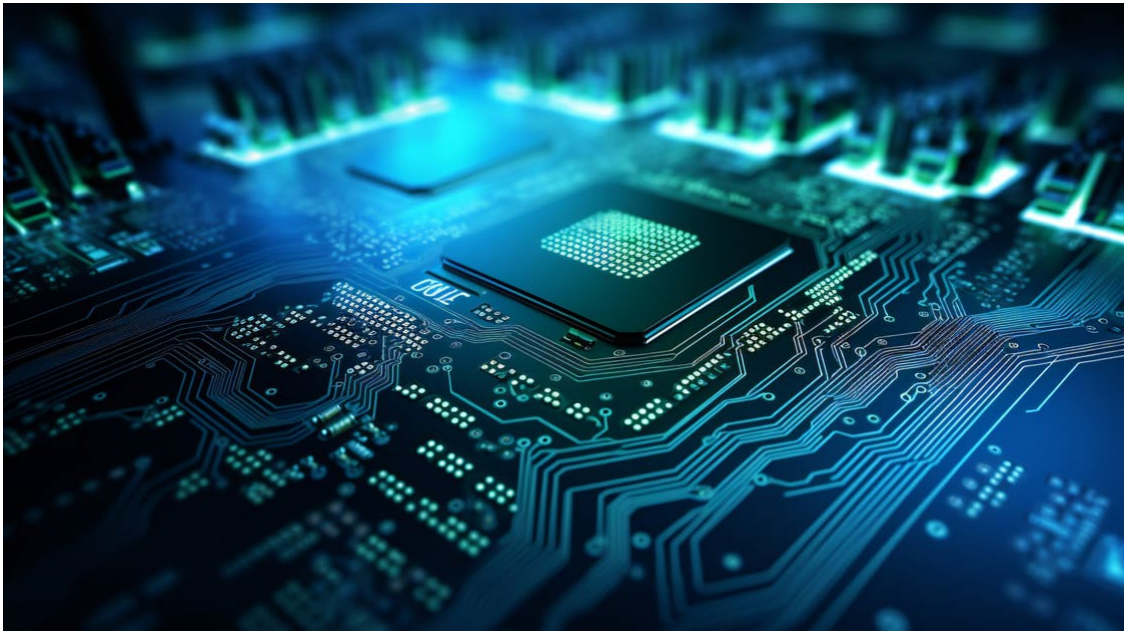
Looking to expand beyond Europe? Our upcoming webinar with the **Dubai Chamber of Digital Economy** explores how startups and scaleups can tap into one of the world's most dynamic tech hubs—with real insights on investment, market entry, and support services.

We also spotlight the launch of **InnoMatSyn**, a new EU project where EIT Digital is a core partner. The initiative aims to strengthen Europe's leadership in advanced materials through collaboration, AI tools, and sustainable innovation.

And finally, if your startup is working on AI or IoT solutions for smart infrastructure, the **TIM Smart Infrastructure Challenge**—backed by EIT Digital—is your opportunity to pilot real-world solutions and shape Italy's future infrastructure.

As always, this newsletter is your gateway to the partnerships, programs, and platforms building Europe's digital future.

Let's keep innovating together!



## Open Innovation Factory fuels your growth

Forget one-size-fits-all accelerators. The **Open Innovation Factory** is back—and it's now a curated matchmaking platform built to connect the right startups with the right opportunities across Europe.

### What's New?

EIT Digital is now offering **tailored growth pathways**. Whether you're a startup looking for traction or a corporate searching for fresh tech solutions, we design a route that fits your strategy.

### For Startups:

Submit your expression of interest and get matched with:

- EU-funded pilot projects
- Proof-of-concept opportunities with corporates
- Targeted investment calls
- High-impact mentoring and services

### For Corporates:

Submit your innovation challenge to co-design pilot collaborations with some of Europe's most promising digital startups—backed by EIT Digital's network and funding expertise.

### How It Works:

Startups are assessed on excellence, impact, and execution. If there's a fit, you'll be guided to the best available opportunity—if not, we'll share feedback and keep you in the loop for future matches.

Whether you're validating a product or scaling internationally, **Open Innovation Factory** helps you go further, faster—with *partners who matter*.

[Start here](#)



## Hire Smarter: EIT Digital's TalentGateway Is Open

In a market where top digital talent is in high demand, EIT Digital's **TalentGateway** is helping companies across Europe connect with the professionals who will shape the future.

### For Employers:

Access a diverse pool of **ready-to-hire tech talent**—from junior developers to experienced cloud engineers and cybersecurity experts. These aren't just tech-savvy hires; they're innovation-ready professionals trained in both **technical skills and business strategy** through the EIT Digital Master School and continuously upskilled via the *(d)Academy*.

### What Makes It Different:

- Transparent, no hidden fees

- Build long-term talent pipelines
- AI-driven, skill-based matching ensures fit and fairness

### For Job Seekers:

The *(d)Academy* platform acts like a GPS for your career. AI matches your skills to job titles, highlights your gaps, and recommends targeted learning pathways—so you're always progressing toward your goals.

**Whether you're hiring or getting hired**, TalentGateway offers a smarter way to navigate Europe's digital job market.

[Explore the platform](#)



## Join the Women in Digital Forum

### Shaping Inclusive Digital Transformation: Join the Women in Digital Forum

Be part of a dynamic platform uniting leading voices from industry, education, policy, and gender equality to drive Europe's digital inclusion agenda. This is your opportunity to shape the future of inclusive innovation, share best practices, and contribute to the EU's digital transformation goals.

Whether you're a digital expert, policymaker, entrepreneur, or diversity advocate, the Women in Digital (WiD) Forum invites you to:

- **Get Involved:** Share your insights, contribute your expertise, and amplify the voice of your community.
- **Join a Thematic Working Group (TWG):** Explore key topics, identify challenges and solutions, and co-develop actionable recommendations.
- **Lead and Promote:** Take on a leadership role as a TWG Chair or help champion outcomes that drive real change.

By joining the Forum, you'll be at the heart of a collaborative effort that connects stakeholders and supports the European Commission and Member States in

creating a more inclusive digital future.

**Register now** to become part of the Forum and take the next step by joining a Thematic Working Group once registered. We welcome both women and men who are committed to supporting this important initiative.

[Register here](#)



## New Project Launch: InnoMatSyn Sets the Stage for Europe's Materials Innovation

EIT Digital is proud to be part of the **InnoMatSyn** consortium, a newly launched EU-funded project accelerating progress in **advanced and innovative materials** (AdMa)—a key enabler for Europe's digital, green, and industrial transitions. Now live at [innomatsyn.eu](https://innomatsyn.eu), the platform connects stakeholders from across the continent, offering a space to engage in shaping a **safe, sustainable, and synergistic materials ecosystem**.

**Why It Matters:** AdMa technologies are already transforming sectors like **energy, health, and mobility**—but fragmented efforts are holding back full-scale impact. InnoMatSyn aims to solve that by linking regional, national, and EU-level initiatives to boost alignment, scale innovations, and strengthen Europe's materials sovereignty.

### What InnoMatSyn Will Deliver:

- An **AI-powered knowledge hub** for AdMa projects, capabilities, and publications
- Guidelines for **technology leakage risk assessment**
- Support for **joint funding calls** and policy alignment
- A collaborative framework to scale **safe-and-sustainable-by-design** materials innovation

If you're active in the materials space—scientist, funder, company, policymaker—

you're invited to register as a stakeholder and contribute to the network.

[Join the ecosystem](#) and be part of shaping Europe's next generation of materials innovation.



### Smart Infrastructure with TIM and EIT Digital

EIT Digital is proud to support the [TIM Smart Infrastructure Challenge](#), a bold open innovation call for startups, scaleups, and technology disruptors ready to reshape Italy's critical infrastructure using **AI, IoT, and smart sensor technology**. Led by **TIM** and backed by partners like Intesa San Paolo Innovation, PoliMI School of Management, **Arduino**, **Cyber 4.0**, and **EIT Digital**, the initiative focuses on two strategic areas:

- **Infrastructure Monitoring**
- **Building & Energy Management Systems**

The goal? To boost **efficiency**, **resilience**, and **sustainability** across key infrastructure sectors—energy, water, and transportation—while aligning with the **UN 2030 Agenda** for sustainable development.

Selected solutions will have the opportunity to **collaborate with TIM Enterprise and partners**, potentially leading to real-world pilots and long-term partnerships that make a measurable impact on Italy's digital and green transformation.

All the finalists will be invited by EIT Digital to attend the Speedmaster course thanks to the funds available through the EDIHs, MIA Lombardia and DIPS.

Moreover, the EIT Digital selected winner will have the chance to assess the company's readiness to raise international funds and expand beyond its domestic market thanks to the support of EIT Digital Access to Finance team, with the

possibility of accessing tailored support in executing their next round.

**Deadline: 12 September 2025**

[Apply now](#) and help shape smarter, safer, and more connected infrastructure systems.



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