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ITU, UNDP and the EU announce a EUR 4 million capacity
development project

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“Together with ITU and UNDP, the EU reaffirms its commitment to multilateralism and a human-centred digital future. This project will help prepare nations to shape inclusive digital policies, ensuring that no one is left behind. As such, it supports a digital transition which supports economic and social development, based on the open Internet, good governance and human rights,” said Thomas Juergensen, Head of Trade and Economic Affairs of the EU Delegation to Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

In line with ITU’s mission to connect the world and ensure no one is left behind, the four-year project aims to train at least 5,000 professionals—primarily from developing countries—through a combination of face-to-face and online training courses organized under the umbrella of the [ITU Academy](#). The training courses are organized in collaboration with the 14 ITU Academy Training Centres and other United Nations agencies.

To date, the project has already completed several face-to-face and online training courses focused on digital transformation, digital infrastructure, and emerging technologies. These include a summer school on digital transformation for sustainability held in the Netherlands in collabo

world. It is fully aligned with the UN's Agenda 2030 and its Sustainable Development Goals, as well as the Paris Agreement. Across the world, Global Gateway aims to mobilise up to 300 billion euros in investments between 2021 and 2027 with a mix of grants, concessional loans and guarantees to de-risk private sector investments. Through a ['Team Europe approach'](#), Global Gateway will bring together the EU, i

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