

**Speakers:**  
Meet the Challenge Owners

On Tuesday 23 June, 2026  
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CEST) - online, Zoom

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Meet the 5G-DiGITs consortium members

**Speakers:**

- Mikael Holmgren, Karlstads Municipality
- Bengt Hallinger, Tieto Tech Consulting B2B
- Sciberras Antoine, Malta Communications Authority
- Selcuk Cakmaz, Opticomms GmbH
- Ali Genear, Opticomms GmbH
- Dr. Nazlı Güney, Turk Telekom
- Gonca Kara, Deep Tech Foundry
- Michail Mandamadiotis, Envolve Entrepreneurship
- Carolina Oliveira, P&S

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## Industry leaders and student innovators will meet at tomorrow's 5G-DiGITs Accelerator Info Day

- The online event on 23 June will bring together students, educators, startup teams and leading organisations working on 5G, digital transformation and sustainability
- Participants will discover the challenges proposed by industry and public-sector organisations and learn how to join the newly launched 5G-DiGITs Accelerator Programme

**Brussels, 22 June 2026** – Tomorrow, students and aspiring entrepreneurs from across Europe will have the opportunity to connect directly with industry experts and public-sector innovators during the **5G-DiGITs Accelerator Info Day**, taking place online on **23 June 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. CEST**.

The event will offer a first-hand look at the challenges currently being addressed by organisations operating in telecommunications, digital innovation and smart technologies, while providing practical information on how to participate in the recently launched 5G-DiGITs Accelerator Programme.

Designed to foster collaboration between education and industry, the webinar will introduce attendees to the organisations behind the Accelerator challenges and explain how student teams can contribute innovative solutions to real-world technological and sustainability issues.

### A Chance to Hear Directly from Challenge Owners

One of the highlights of the session will be the participation of representatives from the organisations that have submitted challenges to the Accelerator. Attendees will gain insights into the opportunities available and the types of solutions being sought.

Speakers include:

- Mikael Holmgren, Strategist at Karlstads Kommun

- Bengt Hallinger, 3er Lead System Analyst at Tietoevry Tech Consulting
- Ing. Antoine C. Sciberras, Chief Officer – Spectrum Management & Technology at Malta Communications Authority
- Ali Gencer, Chief Operating Officer (COO) & Co-Founder at Opticoms GmbH
- Selcuk Cakmaz, 5G Core Network Engineer at Opticoms GmbH
- Dr. Nazli Guney, PhD, MBA, R&D Projects Manager at TT Mobil, Türk Telekom

Together, these organisations represent a diverse range of sectors and expertise, offering challenges linked to connectivity, smart services, digital transformation and green innovation.

### **Discover the Accelerator Journey**

During the webinar, the 5G-DiGITs consortium will guide participants through the Accelerator experience, outlining how selected teams will work with challenge owners, receive mentoring and training, and develop solutions with real market relevance.

Representatives of the consortium speaking at the event include:

- Gonca Kara, Head of Projects & Ecosystems at Deep Tech Foundry
- Michael Mandamadiotis, Project Manager at Envolve Entrepreneurship
- Maria Carolina Oliveira, Communications Project Manager at F6S

The session will also cover eligibility criteria, application procedures, programme milestones and upcoming activities, followed by an interactive Q&A session.

### **Applications Now Open**

Applications for the 5G-DiGITs Accelerator Programme opened on 17 June and are currently open to university students, VET learners, startup teams and aspiring entrepreneurs interested in innovation, technology and sustainability.

By joining the programme, participants will gain access to mentoring, workshops, networking opportunities and direct interaction with companies and public organisations, while strengthening entrepreneurial and digital skills through hands-on collaboration.

#### **Register for the Info Day:**

<https://www.f6s.com/5g-digits-accelerator-open-call-info-day/>

#### **Apply to the Accelerator Programme:**

<https://5g-digits.eu/accelerator/>

**Application Deadline:** 10 September 2026

The 5G-DiGITs project is co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union and brings together universities, vocational education providers, innovation organisations and technology experts to strengthen digital skills and foster innovation across Europe.

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