

GITEX Ai Türkiye to spotlight national talent drive as Türkiye scales its AI economy

İSTANBUL, TURKEY, August 20, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Inaugural two-day event in Istanbul brings together global tech enterprise leaders, technoparks and academia to advance the talent ecosystem behind Türkiye's AI Action Plan

Türkiye's bold AI talent development mission to train 10,000 AI specialists, 100,000 AI application professionals and five million AI-literate citizens by 2028 will come into sharp focus when the nation's most international tech and AI event opens in Istanbul next month.

Türkiye's AI skills drive, part of the country's 2026–2030 AI Action Plan, links a broader multi-billion-dollar national investment strategy to expand AI across public services and industry, with the inaugural GITEX Ai Türkiye gathering global technology companies, engineering institutions, technoparks, academia, government and investors to advance the talent and technology powering the nation's AI economy.

The two-day event, from 9–10 September 2026 at Istanbul Expo Centre, will feature 300+ exhibiting companies and startups, 150 global speakers, and 100 investors with US\$100 billion in AUM, alongside thousands of visitors from around the world, connecting Türkiye's rising technology and talent landscape with global expertise, capital, and commercial opportunities.

Global and local expertise converges at GITEX Ai Türkiye

Global and Türkiye-based organisations at GITEX Ai Türkiye will spotlight the skills, engineering capabilities and partnerships needed as AI adoption accelerates.



Gaëlle Elisha, Senior Programme Manager at Royal Academy of Engineering



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The Royal Academy of Engineering, the UK's national academy for engineering and technology, will bring an international perspective on AI talent development and responsible innovation to GITEK Ai Türkiye this September.

Senior Programme Manager Gaëlle Elisha, said developing the next generation of AI talent requires a blend of STEM education, practical experience, and lifelong learning, supported by stronger collaboration across education, research, and industry.

"Engineers in the AI era will need capabilities that extend beyond technical skills," said Elisha. "Systems thinking, ethics, security, governance and human-centred design will be just as important." The Academy will support 14 engineering innovators at the event and help convene a delegation from 21 countries spanning Asia, Africa, Latin America, the Middle East and Europe.

"No single country has all the ingredients — whether that's research expertise, investment, talent, policy or access to markets. By working together, we can share knowledge, learn from different approaches and help promising technologies scale more quickly and responsibly."

Industry shapes the next generation of AI skills

Companies participating at GITEK Ai Türkiye will also demonstrate how AI is reshaping workforce requirements.

Yetkin Aksoy, General Manager of Mobiliz, a Türkiye-based mobility technology and telematics company, highlights that AI-powered mobility relies on multidisciplinary teams spanning software engineering, data science, product expertise, and industry knowledge. Mobiliz develops this core capability in-house through its Arborn initiative.

"Creating more opportunities for young talent on real-world AI projects and driving cross-sector



Ersin Büyükyılmaz, CEO of Treomind



Berat Kjamili, Co-Founder of DotsHub and President of Kodluyoruz

knowledge sharing will be critical to building the skilled workforce for next-generation intelligent mobility and IoT solutions,” Aksoy said.

Ersin Büyükyılmaz, CEO of Treomind, an enterprise infrastructure and digital transformation company, highlighted: “The greatest skills gap today is not limited to a single AI or cloud technology. Organisations need professionals who can connect data governance, AI infrastructure, hybrid cloud, GPU management, security and business strategy within one operating model.

“At Treomind, we address this through multidisciplinary teams with expertise across AI, data, cloud, cybersecurity and infrastructure. We work closely with organisations to design the right architecture, establish governance and security frameworks, and integrate AI into real business processes.”

Berat Kjamili, Co Founder of DotsHub — a leading entrepreneurship and open innovation community — Codex Ambassador, President of the technology education organisation Kodluyoruz, and a headline speaker at GITEX Ai Türkiye’s two day conference programme, identified AI engineering and AI agent deployment as among the most urgent skills requirements. Kjamili will explore agentic AI’s impact on enterprise operations during his day-one session, ‘From chatbots to AI workforces — how agentic AI is already rewiring enterprise operations.’

Kodluyoruz has worked with IBM to upskill 20,000 people in cybersecurity and AI, while previous collaborations with Microsoft and Harvard University have supported technology education reaching approximately 200,000 people.

“Türkiye has a strong base of entrepreneurial, hardworking young people who want to build their careers and companies here,” Kjamili said. “The potential is clear, but we need to connect this talent with the right skills and opportunities.”

Technoparks accelerate industry-ready AI talent

Türkiye’s innovation base spans 114 technoparks, more than 13,000 technology startups and over 1,700 R&D and design centres, with technoparks helping turn education into practical experience, employment and entrepreneurship.

Exhibiting at GITEX Ai Türkiye, YTÜ Yıldız Technopark, affiliated with Yıldız Technical University, enables students to work on company challenges, develop prototypes and turn ideas into



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Muhammet Garip, Managing Director of YTÜ Yıldız Technopark

business models. Through YTU Startup House, initiatives include a Llama Hackathon organised with Meta and a Microsoft accelerator connecting AI startups with corporations.

“Our aim is to nurture a new generation of entrepreneurs and technology professionals who understand AI, can develop it into products, commercialise it, and compete on a global scale,” said Assoc. Prof. Dr. Muhammet Garip, General Manager of Yıldız Technology Development Zone.

Fellow exhibitor Medeniyet Technopark, affiliated with Istanbul Medeniyet University, links AI education with employment through its Teknokampüs programme, which provides students and recent graduates with advanced AI and robotics training before they present projects directly to companies.

“Talent development should be treated not as a by-product of innovation, but as core innovation infrastructure,” said Ali Ramazan Tak, General Manager of Medeniyet Technopark.

Where Türkiye’s AI ambition takes the global stage

GITEX Ai Türkiye is hosted by the Investment and Finance Office of the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye (Invest in Türkiye) in strategic partnership with the Ministry of Industry and Technology. The flagship debut event is organised by inD — the joint venture between Dubai World Trade Centre and Informa, and global organiser of GITEX, the world’s largest tech, AI and investment network.

The event will put Türkiye’s growing talent base in the spotlight alongside the global technologies, expertise and capital driving AI adoption. International exhibitors include Google Cloud, HPE & NVIDIA, Huawei, ASUS, Dell Technologies, SAP and TrendAI, alongside regional leaders including e-commerce platform Trendyol, AI and fintech platform Andevos and state-owned SME banking leader Halkbank.

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