

# SUMMER SCHOOL FOR FEMALE LEADERSHIP IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Dear Academic Partner,

We are proud to share with you our latest European initiative for an inclusive digital future: The **2024 Summer School for Female Leadership in the Digital Age**. Full scholarships will be offered to 29 bright, young talents who, for one week, will learn from top experts and renowned public figures. This edition of the School will take place in Warsaw, Poland from the 21<sup>st</sup> to the 26<sup>st</sup> of July 2024.

As part of Huawei's broader educational initiative "Seeds for the Future", this world-class leadership programme represents the company's continued commitment to students around the world, by giving them the skills they need to not just participate in the digital future, but to lead it. It is a vision of **equality and inclusion** that is in alignment with the European Commission's commitment to achieve a gender-equal Europe by 2025.

The inaugural edition of The Summer School for Female Leadership in the Digital Age was held in Lisbon in August 2021. Over five days, the 27 participants spent time with world-class leaders from across the EU and beyond, who taught and mentored them. During the week-long programme students created everlasting connections, grew personally and professionally, and dived into both the future of technology and the local culture.

A second edition, The Winter School for Female Leadership in the Digital Age, took place in Nice in February 2022 where 28 exceptional young women - one from each EU member state and one from the 'Western Balkans 6' - experienced the same journey of discovery. They emerged stronger, wiser and even more motivated to take a lead in shaping the future. A further edition of the Summer School for Female Leadership in the Digital Age, later that same year once again gathered future leaders from across Europe for an unforgettable week of learning and growth – this time in enchanting Prague. There, 29 young women (including one from Ukraine) had the opportunity to interact, ask critical questions and exchange ideas with the movers and shakers of Europe. The most recent edition of the School took place in Valencia last summer. Again, global thought leaders, policymakers and CEOs shared their insights and inspired 29 bright young #NextGenChangeMakers to reach for their dreams and lead us into the digital era.

Students have described The School for Female Leadership variously as: "An unforgettable and educational experience", "A week that I will never forget", "An experience that has taught me that nothing is impossible", and "An event in my life that will impact my future forever".

For our forthcoming Summer School in Warsaw, **29 young participants** will be selected by a distinguished jury composed of Members and former Members of the European Parliament

## SUMMER SCHOOL FOR FEMALE LEADERSHIP IN THE DIGITAL AGE

and European Commission, professors, business executives, and equality advocates from all 27 EU Member States, the 'Western Balkans 6' and Ukraine. During the six-day, all-expenses-paid programme, the students will:

- explore the meaning and value of sustainable leadership with world-class leaders
- learn from internationally renowned mentors who will inspire them to embrace new challenges
- understand the importance of technology in an increasingly interconnected world
- develop teamwork skills during collaborative projects
- practice confidence-boosting public speaking techniques
- enjoy time exploring Warsaw - its local culture, cuisine, arts and tech scene

This is a unique opportunity that aims to empower the next generation of female leaders to shape the digital age.

We hope that you will share this exciting programme with your students and members and encourage them to submit their **application by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**.

You can find more information in the attached presentation and on [www.europeanleadershipacademy.eu](http://www.europeanleadershipacademy.eu). Thank you in advance for helping us build a more equal, diverse, and inclusive digital future.

Kind regards,



**Berta Herrero Estalayo**

Director

Schools for Female Leadership in the Digital Age