

# Forum Education and Digitalization

## OBJECTIVE

To unleash the possibilities of digitalization to drive educational equity and quality

## PROJECT PARTNERS

Bertelsmann Stiftung, Dieter Schwarz Stiftung, Montag Stiftung Jugend und Gesellschaft, Robert Bosch Stiftung, Siemens Stiftung, Stiftung Mercator (funder)

## DURATION

Since 2016

**How can digital media improve our education system? What has to happen before digital media can improve learning processes on a broad scale? And how can we help more people successfully navigate our increasingly digitalized world? In Forum Education and Digitalization, Deutsche Telekom Stiftung and five other foundations work closely with key players in education, politics, academia, industry and society to identify and develop hands-on strategies.**

The foundations believe digital media can improve education and promote equal opportunities and greater participation in society. Our whole society must pull together, though, in order to give everyone the best possible opportunity for a digital education. It will require good ideas, teachers with strong media skills and organizations willing to develop effective programs. The initiative, for its part, plans to help by creating the right conditions and support structures.

The forum is initially focusing on primary and secondary education. The foundations have defined three key issues to work on: personalized learning with digital media, skills for the digitalized world, and change management and organizational development.

The initiative's activities include conferences, dialog forums and workshops with educational stakeholders – from decision-makers in the legislature and civil service to practitioners in the field. One such activity, "Werkstatt schulentwicklung.digital" (Digital School Development Workshop), brings together schools with



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The increasing digitalization of our world does not stop at the educational system.

## DIGITAL MEDIA HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO IMPROVE EDUCATION.

experience in digital learning from all over Germany. Participating schools form study groups in which they identify success factors and stumbling blocks for classroom use of digital media

and help one another address their specific development needs. Digitalization affects all educational institutions, so the Forum Education and Digitalization collaborates with established networks. These efforts encourage high-level discussions about the use of digital media in education and serve to support as many educational institutions as possible.

More information:  
[www.telekom-stiftung.de/en/projects/forum-education-and-digitalization](http://www.telekom-stiftung.de/en/projects/forum-education-and-digitalization)



# Project partners

## Bertelsmann Stiftung



"Inspiring people. Shaping the future. Participating in a globalized world." This mission statement aptly describes what Bertelsmann Stiftung does. Participation requires empowered individuals and a society that gives equal opportunities to everyone.

## Dieter Schwarz Stiftung



Science, education and innovation are essential for our country's development and future. Dieter Schwarz Stiftung's mission is to build on these three pillars and promote lifelong learning. It pursues this mission by initiating and supporting forward-looking projects.

## Montag Stiftung



Montag Stiftung  
Jugend und Gesellschaft

Montag Stiftung Jugend und Gesellschaft works to build and maintain an inclusive democratic society by taking action and making a difference through social responsibility. It supports educational projects in schools as part of its mission of bringing about long-term changes for the better in society.

## Robert Bosch Stiftung



The foundation promotes civil society and the common good. It addresses the challenges facing society, contributes forward-looking ideas and translates these ideas into practical, inspirational projects.

## Siemens Stiftung



This non-profit corporate foundation supports people around the world to devise independent, responsible solutions to the challenges of our time. It focuses on developing technological and social innovations, encouraging personal initiative and supporting creativity and innovativeness.

## Stiftung Mercator



Stiftung Mercator intends to support research and the sciences for the benefit of everyone and provide the well-rounded education and equal opportunities that children, teenagers and young adults need for their self-actualization.

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## DEUTSCHE TELEKOM STIFTUNG

Deutsche Telekom Stiftung was established in 2003 to strengthen Germany's position as an education, research and technology leader. It is one of the country's main corporate foundations with an endowment of EUR 150 million. Deutsche Telekom Stiftung's mission is to improve education in the digital world concentrating on the so called STEM subjects science, technology, engineering and mathematics. It focuses on four core areas: Education Drivers, Education Opportunities, Education Innovations and Education Dialog.

In Education Drivers, the foundation supports people who inspire others to study STEM subjects. Education Opportunities involves projects to prepare children and teenagers to succeed in STEM fields and participate fully in our connected world. In Education Innovations, the foundation invests in researchers and teachers who specialize in STEM subjects. Finally, Education Dialog comprises all the projects in which the foundation works with policymakers and civil society to improve education in a digitized world.