



## Declaration of Intent

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By this Declaration of Intent (DoI), **Huawei Technologies** (Belgium) and the **European Training Foundation** (ETF) hereafter referred to as “the Organisations”, express their intention to establish a framework for interactions and collaboration in the domain of their individual mandates.

The **Huawei** Brussels Office is in charge of public affairs at the EU level. Huawei started the School for Female Leadership in Digital Age programme in 2021 with the first edition in Lisbon, Portugal. The second edition took place in February 2022 in Nice, France, and the summer edition 2022 will take place in July in Prague, Czech Republic. ETF was invited as a speaker to the first edition and was part of the jury to select the first ‘Western Balkan 6’ (WB6) participant to the second edition. ETF also facilitated the group project of the 2022 Winter School for Female Leadership in the Digital Age and invited 5 participants to an international expert meeting to present the outcome of their work in June 2022. ETF will be part of the jury to select a WB6 and an Ukrainian participant to the summer school 2022.

The **European Training Foundation** is the European Union agency that supports the EU as a global actor in the human capital development field, including VET. Established in 1994 in Turin, the ETF provides advice and support to transition and developing countries and to EU Delegations on the reform of education, training and employment policies and systems to provide opportunities for people to improve their life chances. ETF works with developing and transition countries with a primary focus on the EU neighbourhood. The ETF, under its new strategy 2027 is aiming to develop interactions that will reinforce its role as a global Knowledge Hub on human capital development in developing and transition countries.

It is the key purpose of the ETF strategic approach to collaborate and establish strategic alliances to increase the impact of its work and ensure a higher level of coordination and coherence of EU and international investment among the most relevant actors in the field of human capital development.

Taking into consideration the ETF mandate and geographical remit, the persisting digital gender divide, in particular in terms of skills and employment, and the importance of female

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leaderships and role models, and the Huawei capacity and commitment to support young female leaders in the digital age, the Organisations, under this Declaration of Intent, express their wish to collaborate in the order to achieve the following objectives:

- Knowledge exchange in the field of female leadership and female participation in the digital economy and jobs
- Female Leadership School in Digital Age:
  - Dissemination of the female leadership school call in ETF Partner Countries
  - Facilitation of one group work per year in the context of the Huawei female leadership school (winter edition) focusing on skills and gender equality, and promotion on women in STEM studies and digital sector
  - Opening up to WB6 and Neighbourhood countries the leadership school, for which Huawei will cover scholarships, and ETF will run the selection based on applicants meeting requirements

The above objectives may be revised upon agreement between the Organisations.

This Declaration reflects the intention of the Organisations to interact on a non-exclusive basis, in good faith and without the creation of any legal obligation or the incurrance of any liability on part of either of them.

The Declaration of intent will enter into force on the date of signature of the last signing Organisation and will last for one year. Unless differently decided by the Organisations and communicated to the other with a three months notice, at the yearly expiry, the agreement will be renewed for equal periods up to a maximum overall period of three years..

This Declaration is signed by the duly authorized representatives of the Organisations in two originals in English language.

Signed for and on behalf of:

Huawei Technologies	European Training Foundation
Tony Jin Chief Representative to the European Union Institutions  Date: 20 June 2022	Xavier Matheu de Cortada Director a.i.  Date: 23 June 2022