

## **The Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social and Solidarity Economy and CISCO anticipate and foster the digital skills future in Luxembourg.**



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On 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018, the Ministry of Labour, Employment and the Social and Solidarity Economy and CISCO have signed a **memorandum of understanding (MoU) to enhance and strengthen cooperative efforts in digital skills** at the Ministry's premises.

**Cisco is a key partner of the Luxembourg government in its digitalisation efforts**, especially in education, cybersecurity, the Internet of Things (IoT) and fintech. Its efforts are in line with the Country Digital Acceleration plan signed with the Ministry of Labour, Employment and the Social and Solidarity Economy in January 2018 in Davos. It expresses Cisco's plans to fasten the pace of its ambitions.

The Luxembourg Digital Skills Bridge pilot project will greatly benefit from the cooperation between the Ministry and CISCO. Over the past 18 years, the **Cisco's Networking Academy ('NetAcad')** has been providing free digital and business trainings. In the same line Cisco has also established two additional networking academies in Luxembourg; at the University of Luxembourg and the Lycée Technique d'Esch-sur-Alzette.

**Cisco is planning to further expand its Networking Academy in Luxembourg and has expressed its intention to participate in the Luxembourg Digital Skills Bridge initiative.** The goals of the Network Academy are accordingly aligned to those of the Ministry to establish and strengthen fundamentals in transversal soft and digital skills.