# STEPPING OUTSIDE THE BOX: Skilling youth outside formal education

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# The role of non-formal education in skilling the youth of tomorrow

# Stephen Peck

Secretary General, Duke of Edinburgh's International Award

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**Chief Operating Officer** 

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award





#### What?

Formal

- Structured
- Syllabus
- Tests/Assessment
- Education systems

Non-formal Education & Learning



- Intentional effort
- Framework
- Community setting

Informal

- Experiential
- Incidental
- Day to day





## How? - The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award

- A global framework of recognition
- Bronze, Silver and Gold levels
- 14 to 25 year olds
- 130 countries
- 1m participants per year

- Physical Recreation
- Voluntary Service
- Skill
- Adventurous Journey
- Gold Residential Project



# Why?

- Self-motivation
- Teamwork
- Social skills
- Social cohesion
- Health & Fitness
- Mental health
- Employability
- Entrepreneurship
- Social value (PWC validated)
  - £509m per year
  - £1.59B future value











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## Moving to personalized learning through Al

### Kevin Mills

Global Head of Government, Coursera

## The future of learning and work

Creating more equal opportunity in a more digital world

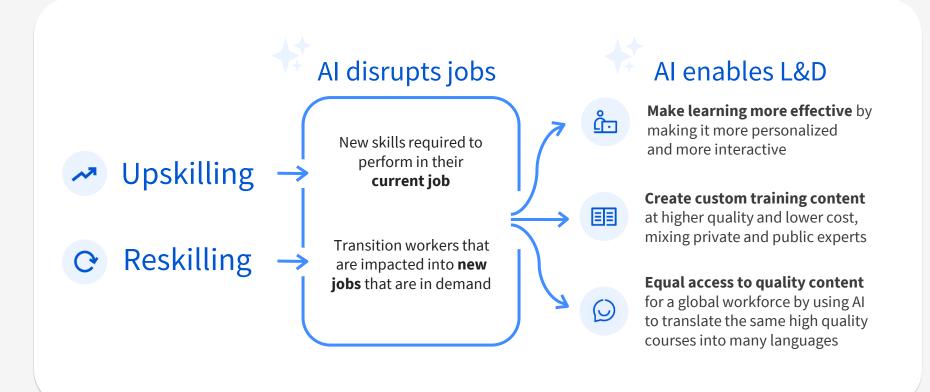


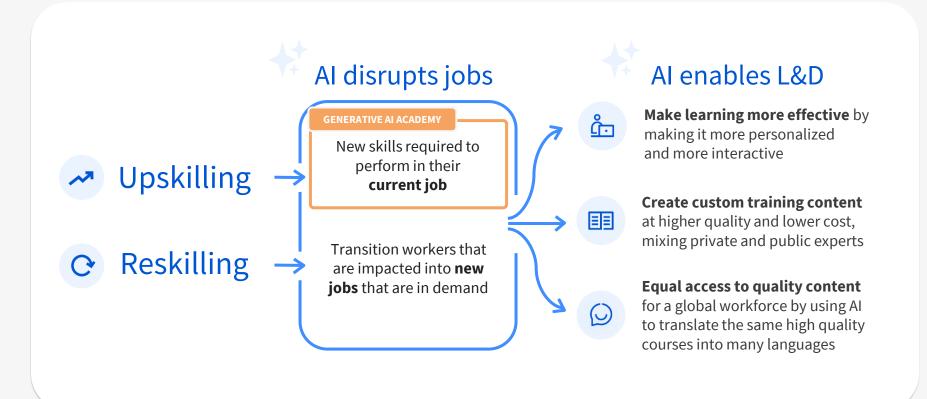
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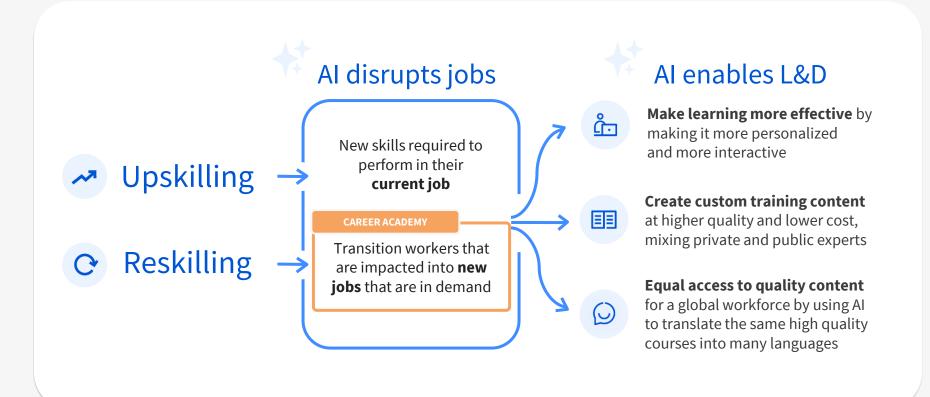
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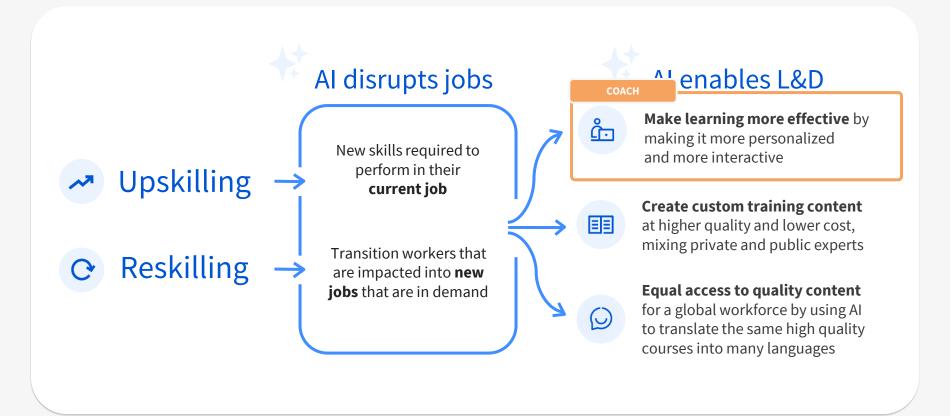
#### Low-skilled & high-skilled jobs are at risk of automation

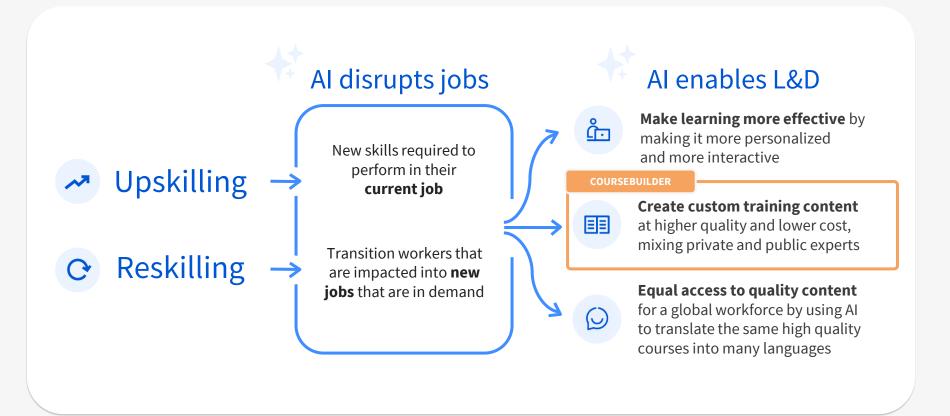


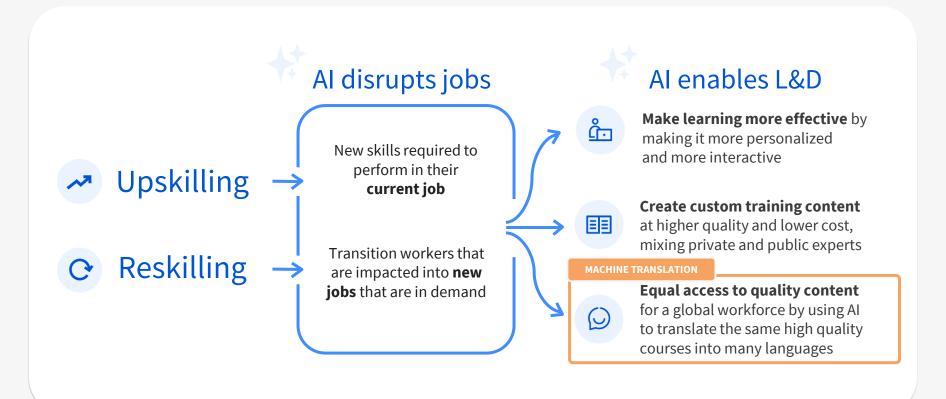




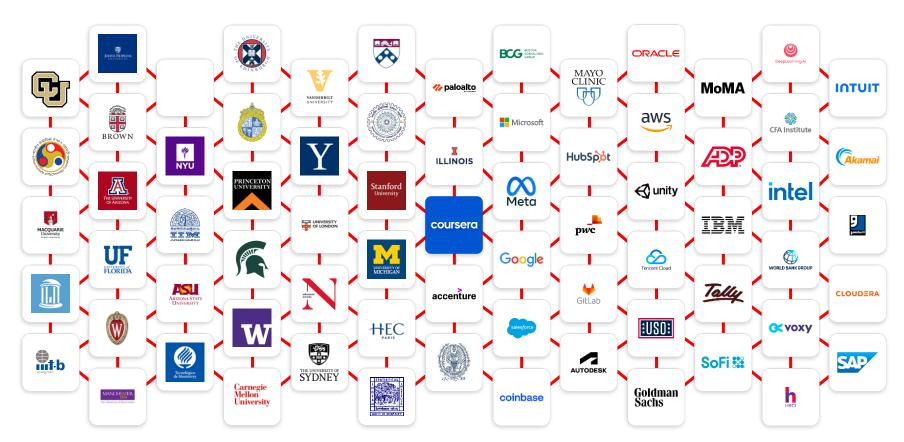






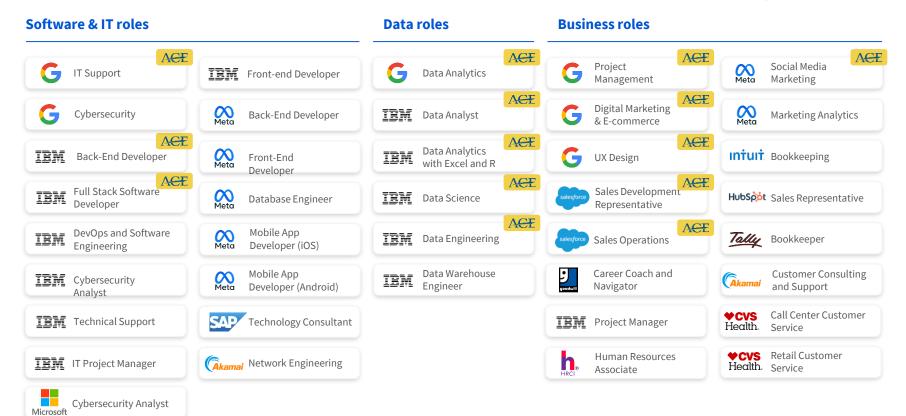


#### 300+ university and industry partners collaborate on Coursera



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#### Professional Certificates provide pathways to jobs and degrees



ACE Degree credit recommendation from American Council on Education

Coursera Proprietary & Confidential

Campus/Government case study

#### Integrating career electives system-wide



#### Ministry of Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan

- Offer career electives for credit to 20,000 students across
   25 public universities
- Integrate 650+ courses into degrees, with translations in Kazakh and Russian
- Focus on STEM and digital skills, project management, and career-readiness for students; faculty development
- Address skills gap crisis and rapid population growth by preparing next generation for digital economy

20,000

students on Coursera

**25** 

universities

25,000

courses completed

Source: Coursera Data, June 2023





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# DigiBot: Self-paced learning at scale via Whatsapp

Gavin Weale

Founder, Digify Africa



#### The DigiBot

Self-paced learning at scale via WhatsApp

**Gavin Weale, CEO** 



# The DigiBot

A personal digital skills learning coach on WhatsApp

The DigiBot is more than just a chatbot...

**Accessibility** 

Gamified micro-learning, on the go

**Affordability** 

Rich content but low data usage

**Attainability** 

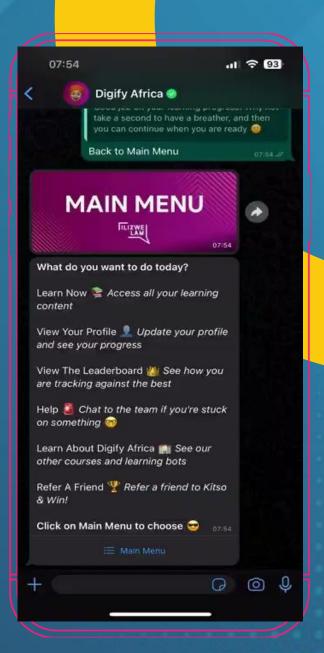
Familiar UX, instant sign-up, GPT integration

Measurability

Advanced analytics tracking

**INTEGRATION WITH CHAT GPT / CRM SYSTEM** 





# **Award-Winning DigiBot Impact**









Naledi

Kitso

Lesedi

Didi

681k+ Learners **406mil+** Messages

4mil+
Topics
Completed

68 Years+
Content
Consumed

**62%**Completion
Rate

\*Latest updated figures

Roll-Out Partnership with SA Dept Basic Education



10 Local & International Awards



# **Sustainability Model**

**B2B Bots** 

Licensing & product revenue

Your Own DigiBot

For corporates, public sector, & education sector

**Lesedi**Digital literacy

Premium subscription layer for deeper learning

**B2C Bots** 

Freemium, funding and sponsorships

Didi

**Learning Assistant** 

Partner content to reach Digify community

Kitso

**Digital skills for educators** 

Partner content for teachers & schools

**GOALS** 

Sustainable, profitable business model

Pathways from basic learning to livelihoods

Train 1 million learners in digital skills by end 2024

