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■ WHY ARMENIA? WHY NOW?

01 Meet the World in One Place

MENA, US, Europe & Central Asia — all in Yerevan for three days

- ▮ Leading global voices in tech, policy, and investment — all under one roof
- ▮ Curated matchmaking, Deals Lounge & investor-startup sessions — built for real outcomes
- ▮ The Convergence of the World's Fastest-Growing Markets, Ideas and Capital
- ▮ Networking that turns conversations into partnerships

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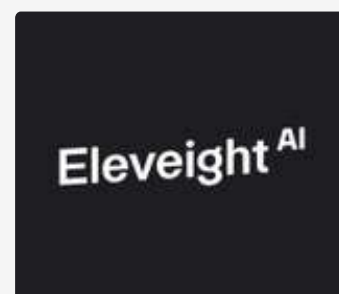
02 AI Infrastructure at Scale

Armenia is rapidly emerging as a global AI infrastructure powerhouse.

- Firebird × NVIDIA - scaling toward 100,000+ GPUs by the end of 2027.
- Next-Generation AI Infrastructure – Firebird AI Factory & Eleveight AI Data Centers
- Armenia ranks among the world's top 10 in AI compute capacity.



Firebird and Kazakhstan Sign a \$10 Billion AI Deal and Strategic Agreements to Advance National AI Infrastructure

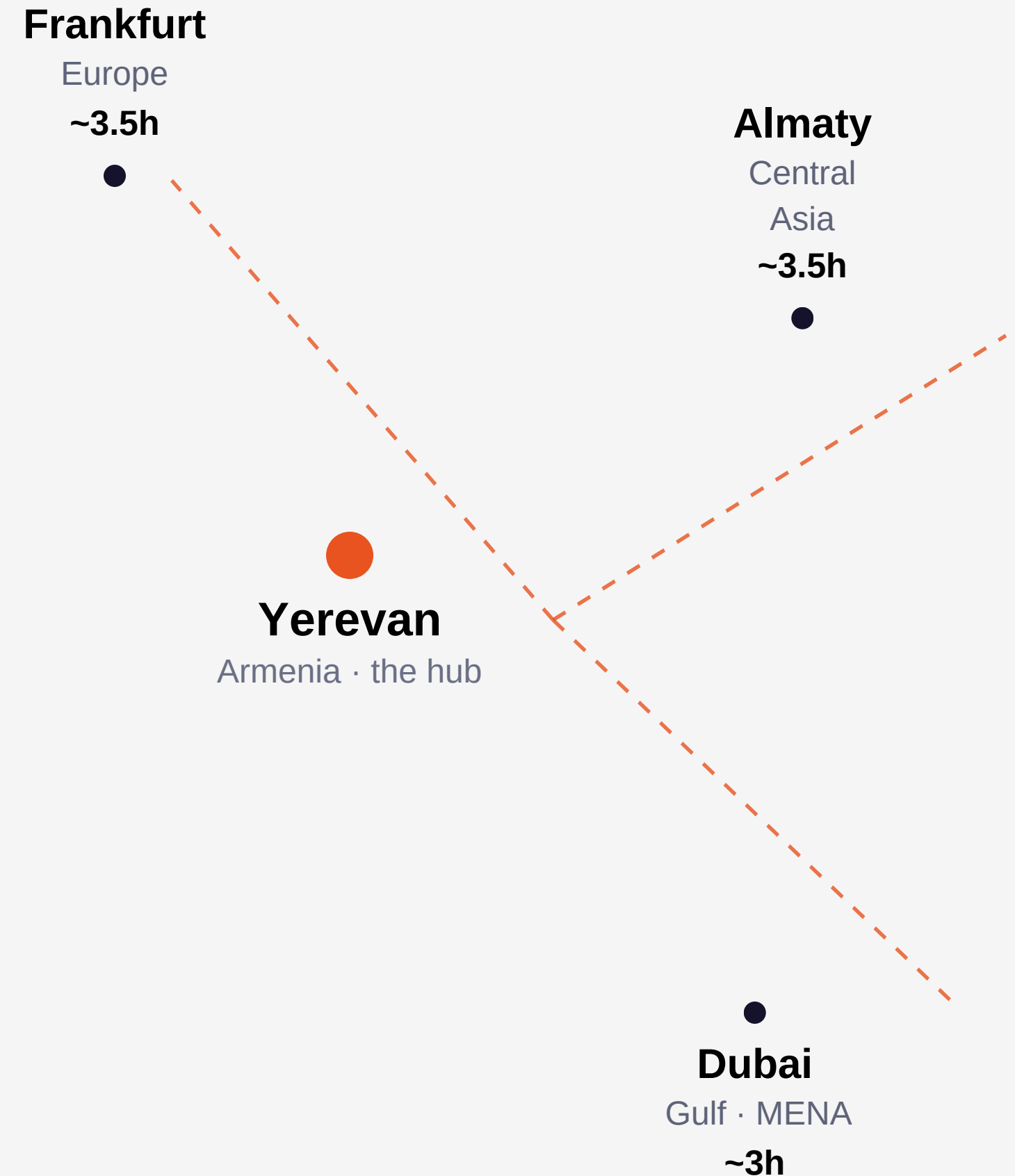


WHY ARMENIA? WHY NOW?

03 Strategic Geography

At the crossroads of Europe, the Gulf & Central Asia.

- Equidistant from Frankfurt, Dubai & Almaty — a natural bridge connecting the world's fastest-growing technology markets.
- Strong ties to the U.S. tech ecosystem — particularly the Silicon Valley Armenian diaspora.
- EU-aspiring & globally connected — 48 airlines · 70+ direct destinations · 5.6M passengers in 2025.



WHY ARMENIA? WHY NOW?

04 A Nation Built for STEM

- One of the world's highest concentrations of engineering talent
- A legacy of Soviet-era scientific excellence that never stopped — mathematics and science ranked among the strongest in the post-Soviet space.

GLOBAL GIANTS. LOCAL TALENT



WHY ARMENIA? WHY NOW?



The Backbone of Armenia's Tech Industry Since 2000

01

Industry Representation

300+ member companies — from local startups to global tech leaders operating in Armenia.

02

Policy & Advocacy

Works directly with the Armenian government to shape tech policy, regulation and investment frameworks.

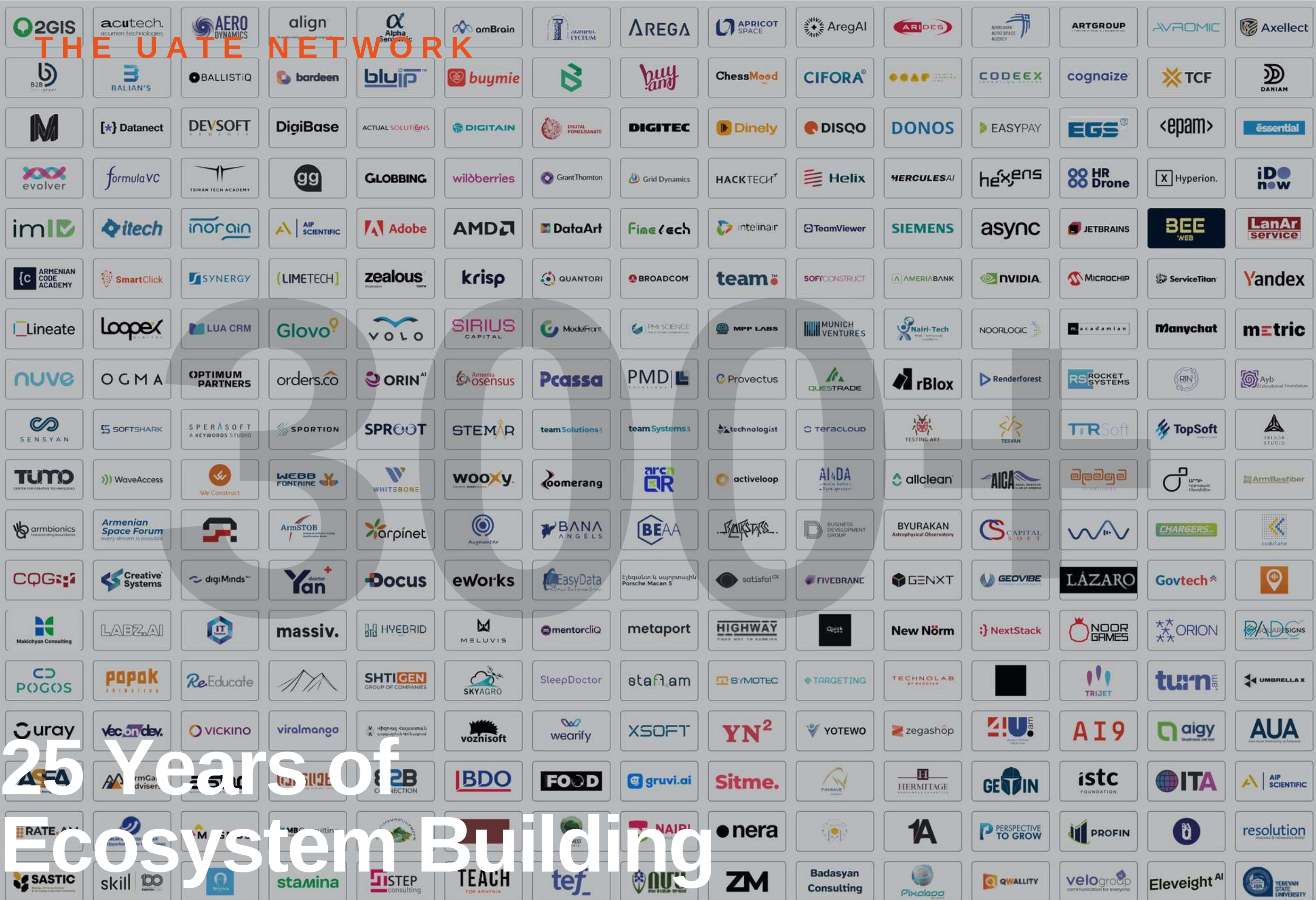
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Talent & Education

Armath Engineering Makerspaces (630 makerspaces) & the Innoljevan innovation hub — building engineers from the ground up.

THE UAT NETWORK

25 Years of Ecosystem Building



UATE FLAGSHIP CSR TALENT PROGRAM

Armath Engineering Makerspaces

Founded by UATE - a nationwide, non-formal engineering program bridging Armenia's STEM talent gap through project-based education and community-driven projects.

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Makerspaces across all regions of Armenia

17,000+

Students, ages 10–18

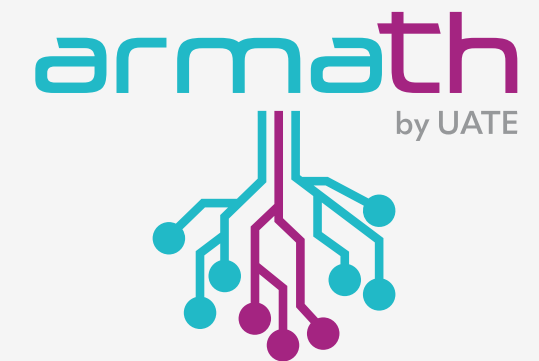
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Community-based, in local schools

Armath's graduates now work inside companies like Microchip, Picsart and ServiceTitan - and are building the next generation of founders.

SHARED GROWTH · SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Your presence at Digitec feeds Armath's future.



Armenia's Tech Ecosystem in Numbers

Source: Armenian Tech Market Insights 2026

\$2.6B

Industry turnover, 2025

1,286

Active tech companies

59,000

Professionals in Armenian tech

40.1%

Women representation

ARMENIAN-FOUNDED · GLOBAL IMPACT

Picsart

\$1.5B

AI photo & video · \$130M Series C ·
150M+ monthly active users

Picsart

HOMEGROWN UNICORN

ServiceTitan

\$9B+

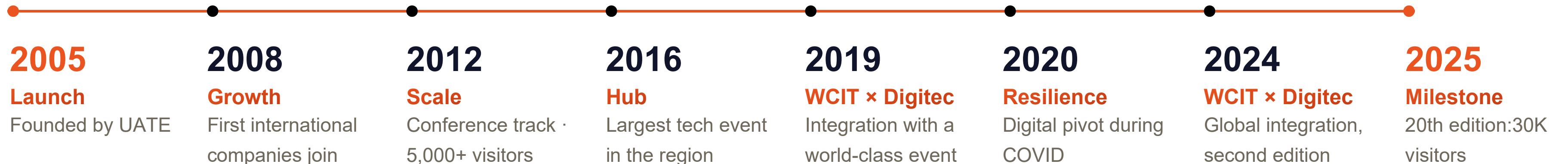
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100K+ service professionals



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Key Figures

30K+

Visitors

200+

Exhibiting companies

100+

Speakers

100+

Trade delegations

84

Startup Alley companies

16

International media

30+

Countries represented

30+

Ambassadors & diplomatic
missions



Media

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Encircled by geopolitical risks, Armenia builds a lively tech startup scene

The ex-Soviet state is betting on a growing tech eco-system to drive its economy in a region rife with geopolitical tensions.

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Soviet Mainframes To Silicon Mountains:
Armenia As A Tech Powerhouse

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— A Newspaper for Armenians Worldwide Since 1958 —

In the Shadow of War, Armenia Tries to Make Its Economy Indispensable

OCTOBER 23, 2024

BY CHARLIE CAMPBELL

Time

With an “Armenia wassup!” and rakish shimmy, Floridian pop sensation Jason Derulo opened the 2024 World Congress on Innovation & Technology (WCIT) in Yerevan on Oct. 4. “The biggest party in the world is right here in Armenia tonight!” Derulo told revelers in the capital’s Republic Square, before launching into his global hit “Dirty Talk” flanked by leather-clad, twerking dancers.

It was perhaps a curious way to welcome some 3,000 delegates from 80 countries to bat around technology topics under the

100+ VOICES ON THE STAGE OF WCIT AND DIGITEC



Noubar Afeyan

Co-founder and Charirman of Moderna, Founder of Flagship Pioneering



Rev Lebedev

Vice President, Physical AI Simulation at NVIDIA



David Yang

Founder and chairman of ABBYY



Hovhannes Avoyan

Co-founder and CEO of Picsart



Cass Sunstein

Professor at Harvard; Co-Author "Wiser"



Alexis Ohanian

Co-founder of Reddit



Razmig Hovaghimian

Co-Founder & CEO. Firebird AI



Ester Wojcicki

Advisory Board of Berkeley Journalism

* pre-confirmed speakers

FACES TO SEE ON THE STAGE OF DIGITEC 2026



Rev Lebareadian

Vice President, Physical AI
Simulation at NVIDIA



Rod Solaimani

Open AI, MENA/Central Asia Policy &
Partnerships Lead



Olga Megorskaya*

CEO, Toloka AI



Kevork Kechichian*

Intel, Executive Vice President and
General Manager



Jack McCauley

Co-founder of Oculus VR



Raffi Krikorian

Mozilla, CTO ex-Twitter, Uber



Alex Mashrabov*

Founder. Higgsfield AI



Alain Tascan*

Netflix, President of Games

* pre-confirmed speakers

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WHERE THE SUN
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PEOPLE FOR THE
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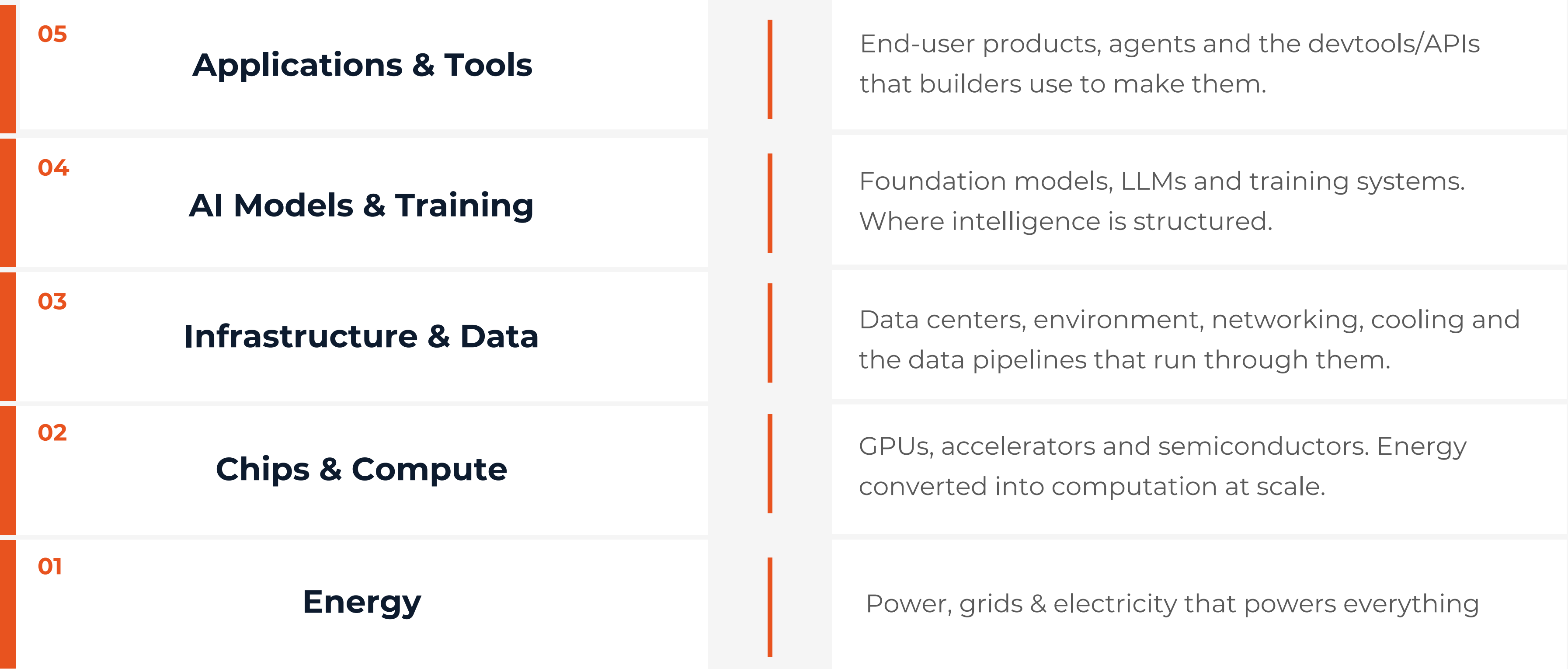
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Cross-over of Armenian and international sound artists



One AI. Five Layers.

Every part of the **AI value chain**, in one place.



HORIZONTAL TRACKS RUNNING ACROSS ALL LAYERS

H1

Science

The research perspective running through every layer — frontier breakthroughs, open vs. closed development, and who controls the compute behind them.

H2

Governments & Policies

The politics of the stack — national AI strategy, compute sovereignty, regulation and who owns the infrastructure intelligence runs on.

H3

Investments & Founders

The capital and builders driving the next generation of AI companies across every layer of the stack.

H4

Talent & Ecosystems

Workforce, skills gap and emerging-market AI ecosystems. Developers, product and service companies in finding their place in the intelligence era.

One stage. Four regions.

US, Europe, MENA, & Central Asia — all in Yerevan for three days.

 **01**

European & US Tech Leaders

Executives, investors
and trade
delegations seeking
engineering talent
and partnerships.

 **02**

Central Asian Founders & Operators

VC-backed
companies scaling
globally — seeking
EU and US access
through Armenia.

 **03**

Gulf & UAE Investor Networks

Capital-rich
networks from UAE
& Saudi Arabia
seeking engineering
partnerships and
new tech hubs.

 **04**

Founders Who Went Global

Post-Soviet builders
connected through
global VC — looking
for the next
infrastructure layer.

Leading global voices in tech, policy, and investment — all under one roof.

Curated matchmaking built for best outcomes.

Where Deals Get Done

01

Startup–Investor Meetings

Pre-selected, scheduled 1:1 sessions with investors.

02

Trade Delegation Programs

Structured programs for 500+ international companies across target regions.

03

Digitec Deals Lounge

Invite-only, limited participants — coordinator-managed high-value sessions.

04

Thematic & Geography Forums

Closed evening sessions for investor circles.

THE INVITATION

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