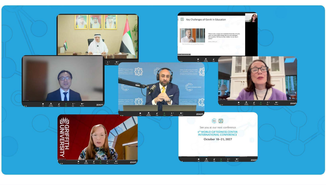
GLOBAL TALENT MENTORING
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OVER 5,000 PARTICIPANTS JOIN 3RD WORLD GIFTEDNESS CENTER INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The World Giftedness Center the umbrella organization that houses the Global Talent Mentoring program successfully hosted the 3rd World Giftedness Center International Conference 2025, organized by the Hamdan Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Foundation for Medical and Educational Sciences. This global event reflects the Center's ongoing commitment to nurturing talent and advancing gifted education, in alignment with the mission of the Global Talent Mentoring program.

The conference concluded after four inspiring days of rich dialogue and knowledge exchange. Held under the theme *"On Educating the Gifted in the Era of Prosperous Artificial Intelligence (AI)"*, it showcased global perspectives on the future of talent development in a rapidly evolving technological landscape.

This year's edition attracted more than 5,300 participants from 75 countries, including researchers and educators, reaffirming the conference's status as a premier international platform. With 17 prominent speakers from 10 countries, the program featured cutting-edge presentations, interactive discussions, and the sharing of research findings and best practices.

The sessions explored diverse themes such as the integration of AI in educational curricula, fostering creativity in digital environments, the mental well-being of gifted students in smart learning contexts, and the role of neuroscience in talent development. Several case studies from leading universities and institutions were presented, offering practical insights into innovative educational models and tools.

Throughout the sessions, speakers emphasized the importance of empowering educators with modern tools and training, fostering adaptive learning environments, and encouraging cross-sector collaboration to nurture exceptional minds. Discussions also underscored the value of global cooperation in establishing robust knowledge frameworks that support the evolving needs of gifted learners.

The conference marked another milestone for the World Giftedness Center and the Hamdan Foundation in their shared mission to promote excellence, innovation, and equity in gifted education worldwide. Participants praised the conference for its depth of discussion and its collaborative, forward-looking atmosphere.

CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT:

19th Asia-Pacific Conference on Giftedness (APCG 2026)

- Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
- 7-11 February 2026
- **Theme:** "Fast Forward: Building a Better Future for Gifted Education 2050"

The University of Business and Technology (UBT), under the umbrella of the Asia-Pacific Federation on Giftedness (APFG), proudly hosts this prestigious event to bring together educators, researchers, and innovators shaping the future of gifted education.

Conference Highlights:

- **15+ Keynote Sessions** by experts in giftedness and educational innovation.
- **20+ Symposiums** with global partners.
- **Youth Summit** for talented students (ages 12–15).
- **Gifthone – Educational Innovation Hackathon:** (six-month hybrid challenge).
- **Global Giftedness Index Launch** redefining global giftedness frameworks

Join this landmark event uniting educators, researchers, and innovators to shape the future of gifted education across the Asia-Pacific region and beyond.

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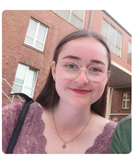
GTM COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT: INSPIRING MINDS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Global Talent Mentoring (GTM) program continues to bring together bright minds from across the world through its dynamic community events, where mentees share their innovative projects and research with mentors, experts, and fellow participants.



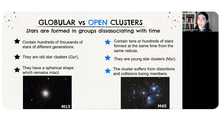
Exploring the Cosmos with Panagiota
In September 2025, GTM mentee Panagiota captivated the audience with her research presentation titled "Getting Old with Siblings: The Unusually Aged but Populous Open Cluster NGC 6819."

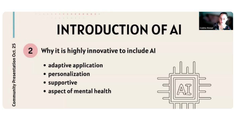
Her session offered fascinating insights into the universe's stellar structures, explaining the distinction between globular and open star clusters, and revealing how NGC 6819, one of the Milky Way's most significant open clusters, reached an age of 2.9 billion years and includes around 3,400 member stars. The presentation concluded with a lively exchange of ideas about the mysteries of stellar evolution and the ongoingdiscoveries in astrophysics.



Smart Digital Solutions with Adeline
Just a few weeks later, on October 1, 2025, the GTM community gathered again for another inspiring event featuring mentee Adeline, who showcased her project "Full-Stack Web Development: Smart Digital Agenda."

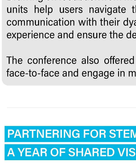
Adeline introduced her AI-powered web application designed to help users plan and organize their daily activities more efficiently. Through a live demo, she walked participants through the application's key features, explaining how it learns from user data to offer intelligent suggestions and how both front-end and back-end technologies contribute to its seamless performance. The event concluded with a vibrant Q&A session exploring the project's real-world potential and next development steps.





Celebrating Curiosity and Innovation
Both sessions exemplify the GTM spirit of collaboration and creativity, giving mentees the opportunity to showcase their talents, share knowledge, and connect with a global community of experts. These events not only celebrate the achievements of young innovators but also inspire others to embark on their own journeys of discovery.
We extend our gratitude to both Panagiota and Adeline for their outstanding contributions and to all mentors for their continued support and engagement within the GTM community.

GLOBAL TALENT MENTORING AT THE 2025 WORLD COUNCIL FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN CONFERENCE IN BRAGA, PORTUGAL



From 29 July to 2 August 2025, the 26th World Council for Gifted and Talented Children (WCGTC) Conference brought together leading experts, original thinkers, and pioneering educators in gifted education under the theme *"The Power of Gifted Education and Talent Development in a Changing World"*. Set in the ancient yet youthful city of Braga, Portugal, the event highlighted forward-looking ideas and transformative practices to nurture and empower exceptional talent worldwide.

Among the featured contributions, Dr. Zulaikha Mohamed, Senior Researcher with Global Talent Mentoring, presented initial insights on the utilisation of training units within the mentoring platform.

Drawing on feedback from mentees and mentors between 2021 and 2024, her findings highlighted how these units help users navigate the platform, align expectations, set and achieve goals, and build strong communication with their dyad partners. These elements ultimately work together to enrich the mentoring experience and ensure the delivery of the program's intended outcomes.

The conference also offered a rewarding opportunity to meet valued Global Talent Mentoring partners face-to-face and engage in meaningful, inspiring dialogue.

PARTNERING FOR STEMM TALENT DEVELOPMENT: A YEAR OF SHARED VISION AND COMMITMENT

We are pleased to welcome Global Talent Mentoring's newest partners who joined us throughout autumn 2024 to autumn 2025. This significant addition includes five outstanding and high-performing institutions that actively contributed to the success of the program's 5th Mentoring Cycle:International Brain Bee from the United States [1], American School of Creative Science from the United Arab Emirates [2], Italian Association for Gifted and Talented Students [3], and Pristine Private School [4], Akademiet for Talentfulde Unge from Denmark [5], also from the United Arab Emirates. Their dedication to nurturing high-potential youth has already made a meaningful impact, and we are honoured to continue this journey with them.

Looking ahead, we are equally pleased to welcome three new partners who will participate in the 2026 Cycle: Talented Youth Academy Establishment from Yemen [6], TÜBİTAK Fen Lisesi from Turkey [7], Almutaqademah Schools from Saudi Arabia [8]. Their enthusiasm and commitment to excellence in STEMM education reflect the shared vision we hold: to develop the next generation of world-class STEMM experts and future leaders. We deeply value the contributions of all our partners and look forward to another year of impactful talent development through the transformative power of mentoring.



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