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New edition of *Gigas for Schools* now under way at 34 schools from 22 different provinces of Spain

The new edition of *Gigas for Schools* has attracted huge interest from students and educational centres

Some 700 students from Educsi-Jesuit centres from all over Spain are bidding to present the best idea for business or social development

Gigas for Schools seeks to train future generations of entrepreneurs and tech leaders

Some 700 students from Educsi-Jesuit centres across all of Spain are to take part in the second edition of the *Gigas for Schools* programme, which hopes to unlock the potential of the business and tech leaders of tomorrow.

The initiative stems from the partnership between Educsi - Jesuit Education and multinational cloud computing firm Gigas. Now in its second outing, the competition is open to schools from anywhere in Spain.

Gigas for Schools is a competitive and practical training programme that aims to inspire participants and present new technologies and digital enterprise as a viable and attractive career path for students aged 15 to 18. This year's edition of the event is open to educational centres from anywhere in Spain and is calling on younger pupils with digital talent to set their sights on the IT jobs of tomorrow.

The 700 or so participants from 34 schools and 22 provinces from all over Spain will receive tutored practical training in key areas such as marketing, business planning, product development and sales and strategy. The awards panel will then choose a winning project from among all entries received, basing its final decision on the technology employed by the pupils, while also relying on market analysis and feasibility studies and appraising the project's future potential.

Gigas for Schools helps students design and develop business projects and initiatives heavy in technology and innovation, focusing on those



students who are now undergoing training in the jobs of tomorrow.

The *Gigas for Schools* initiative hopes to arouse a passion for R&D and new technologies among the 700 young participants, while training them in the technical skills they will need down the line by developing a practical project. They will also be introduced to the world of entrepreneurship and will learn how to create start-ups and get their new projects off the ground, while also receiving training in marketing, business planning, product development, sales, project management and strategy.

Companies such as PwC, catering group Serunion (Elior) and publishing house Oxford are supporting and sponsoring *Gigas for Schools* 2019.

About Gigas.com

Gigas is a Spanish cloud computing company listed on the Mercado Alternativo Bursátil (Spanish Alternative Equity Market, or MAB) (ticker: GIGA.MAB). Founded in 2011, it has become one of the world's leading providers in the sector, according to Gartner's "Magic Quadrant for Cloud Infrastructure as a Service" report. Gigas, which offers cloud computing solutions to large corporations and SMEs alike, is widely known for its cutting-edge technology and unrivalled technical support. The company has data centres in Madrid, Barcelona, Miami, Santiago de Chile and Bogotá and offices in Spain, Colombia, Chile, Peru, Miami, Panama and Mexico.

About Educsi – Jesuit Education

Educsci is the educational arm of the Society of Jesus in the Province of Spain. It has 69 traditional educational centres with upwards of 75,000 pupils and 6,000 teachers. The Society of Jesus (Jesuits) has been educating people for over four hundred and fifty years and has a global network of 4,000 educational centres around the world. It draws inspiration from the Christian vision of Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the order, who sought to give subjects the experience and internal belief needed to transform the world by giving thanks to the Lord and to our brethren, in the conviction that humanity means brotherhood.

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