

DXC Digital Futures Program

Increasing access to technology for communities in need and reducing e-waste for a sustainable future



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Alignment with UN Sustainability Development Goals

4 Quality Education

8 Decent Work and Economic Growth

10 Reduced Inequalities

12 Responsible Consumption and Production

13 Climate Action

Sustainability is critical to every business, every community and every nation. We believe technology and education are fundamental components of long-term, sustainable strategy that supports our people and our planet.

DXC's Digital Futures Program was established in recognition of our position as stewards for the communities and environment in which we live and work.

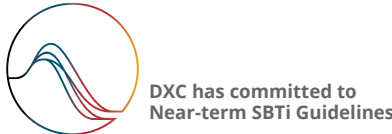
The program is based on the concept of refurbishing and redistributing technology, sharing it with communities who need it the most, and reducing e-waste.

This is made possible by working with our partners and customers across Asia Pacific who share the same commitment to stewardship and sustainability. Together, we aim to increase inclusivity, improve socio-economic outcomes, and support a sustainable future.

Seelan



DXC's Digital Futures Program has impacted over 18,000 students to date, providing technology to foundations, not-for-profit organisations, schools, community student programs, community-controlled health services and community councils.



DXC teams up with customer Origin Energy and the Origin Energy Foundation to donate 60 reconditioned laptops to Tagai State College on Thursday Island in the Torres Strait.

9 out of 10

Number of jobs requiring digital skills over next 10 years¹

61%

% of students surveyed in 10 ASEAN countries who receive no digital literacy education in school^{2,3}

61st

Philippines technological advancement ranking is 61st out of 64 countries. India and Indonesia also rate in bottom 10⁴

12%

% of government-run schools in India with internet facilities. Less than 30% have functional computers⁵

Program purpose

Technology is a significant indicator of and contributor towards improving socio-economic outcomes. Throughout Asia Pacific, however, there is a large deficit in digital literacy and access for educational, small business and community development purposes.

The COVID-19 pandemic amplified the digital divide: In some countries, the share of the population using the internet — an indicator of access to technology — is on a slowly increasing trajectory, too slow to support the millions in need of education and employment opportunities.

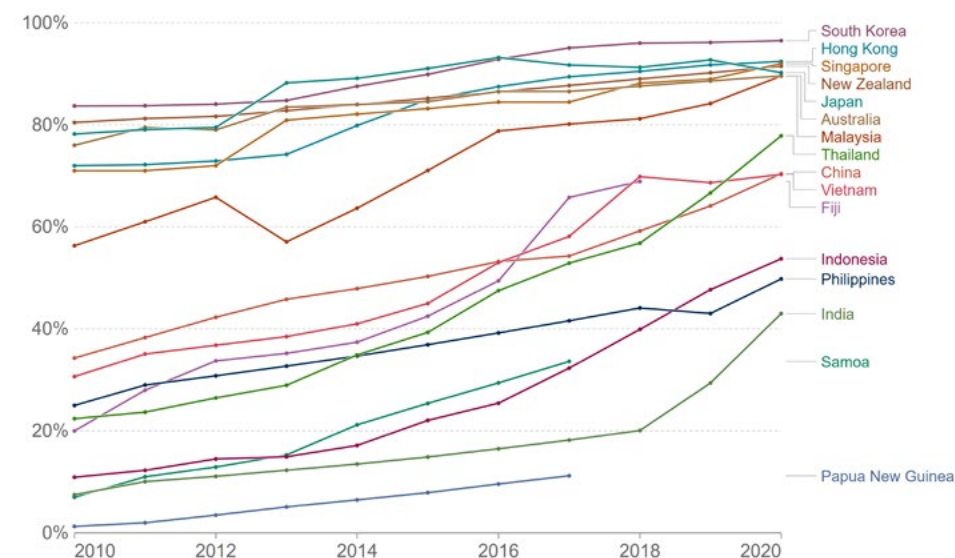
In addition to addressing this problem, DXC is committed to building sustainable and responsible business practices, so we have set a global

target of zero e-waste to landfill. Through a circular economy approach we are re-using or recycling 99% of our IT equipment.

DXC is proud to partner with LiteHaus International as well as our customers and technology partners to address the digital divide and meet sustainability goals by providing computers, software, education packages and other support services to communities in the Asia Pacific region.

Share of population using internet

Internet users are those who have used the internet from any location in the last three months.*



Source: International Telecommunication Union (via World Bank)

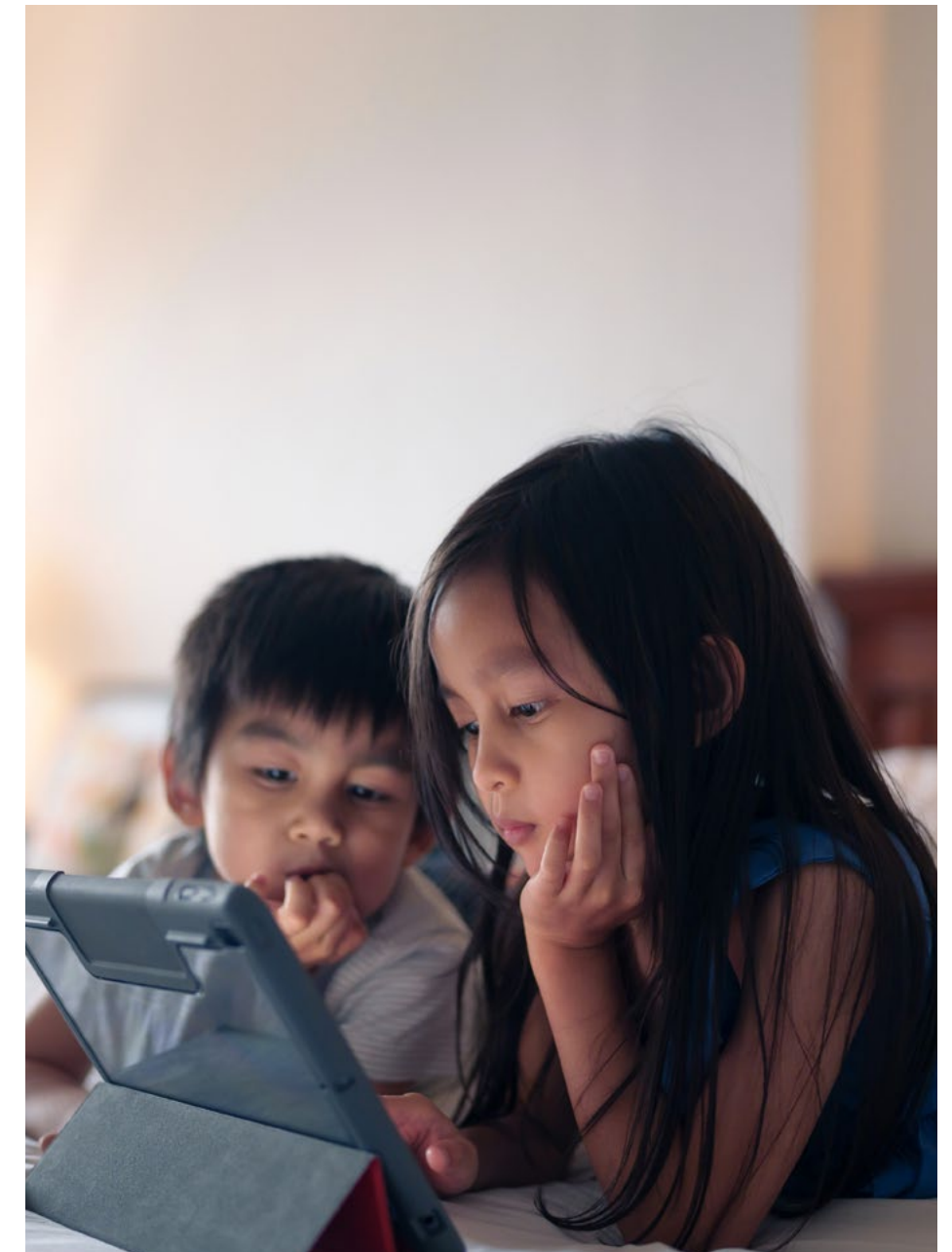
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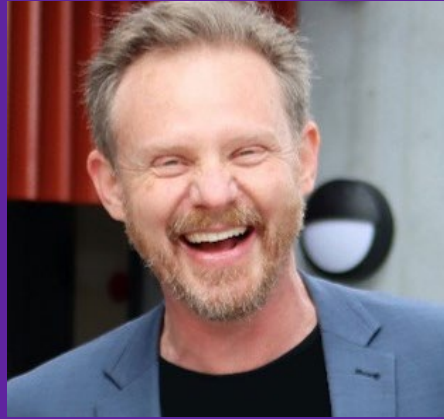
* Internet user. An internet user is defined by the International Telecommunication Union as anyone who has accessed the internet from any location in the last three months. This can be from any type of device, including a computer, mobile phone, personal digital assistant, games machine, digital TV and other technological devices.

How it works

DXC, together with its customers and partners, identifies opportunities to match technology donors and recipient communities to create a positive social impact.

The program seeks to de-risk and simplify the process for getting much needed devices out to communities, in a sustainable and culturally respectful manner.





Social Impact Leadership

Stuart Meadley

Program Lead,
DXC Digital Futures Program and
DXC First Nations Australians Program

I am passionate about culture, community-based enablement and the environment, so I feel privileged to be leading DXC's Digital Futures Program.

With the program, we are taking a broad social impact view across Asia Pacific, where, like with our First Nations communities in Australia, people are experiencing digital and technology poverty. We'll use the related capabilities of our existing programs and partners to enable scale and optimise existing community relationships.

We aim to improve access to technology and build related skills within communities in need across the region, so they can participate equitably in the economy and especially the digital economy. We are delighted and honoured to work with our colleagues, customers, communities and partners toward these common goals.



DXC, together with customer AMP and partner Dell Technologies, donated 40 reconditioned laptops to the Tjindu Foundation for the Aboriginal AFL Academy in South Australia.



Students at Malak Primary School in Darwin, Australia received 30 refurbished laptops from DXC together with our partners Shell V-Power Racing Team, NT Cricket, Penske Australia and VIVA Energy.

¹ <https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2020/01/future-of-work/>

² https://www.unicef.org/eap/bridging-digital-divide-children-and-adolescents-east-asia-and-pacific#_ftn1

³ Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam

⁴ <https://www.gfmag.com/global-data/non-economic-data/best-tech-countries>

⁵ <https://thewire.in/education/poor-state-of-digital-education-revealed-as-only-22-indian-schools-had-internet-in-2019-20>

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