

The Government of Kuwait Selects Google Cloud to Commence Nationwide Digital Transformation Roadmap

This strategic alliance will support digitizing government services, migrate national data securely to the cloud, and set up a national digital skills program/Google Cloud announces its intent to open a cloud region in Kuwait

Kuwait City, Kuwait, January 5, 2023 - Google Cloud announced today a strategic alliance with the Government of Kuwait to roll out a comprehensive digital transformation roadmap across governmental entities and key state-owned enterprises. The alliance will enable the Government of Kuwait to leverage Google Cloud's innovative technology and expertise in data analytics, cybersecurity, and artificial intelligence (AI) to deliver on its commitment to make digitization one of its top national priorities in the coming years.

As part of the strategic alliance, Google Cloud will work with the Government of Kuwait to digitize citizen services and increase its employees' productivity. Additionally, Google Cloud and the Government of Kuwait will partner to implement a number of digital transformation initiatives in healthcare, education, disaster recovery, and smart living.

In collaboration with the Kuwait Direct Investment and Promotion Authority (KDIPA), the Central Agency for Information Technology (CAIT), and the Communication and Information Technology Regulatory Authority (CITRA), Google Cloud intends to set up a local office in Kuwait and invest in opening a state-of-the-art cloud region in the country to meet broad demand. The new cloud region will support public sector organizations, businesses, and startups in their digital transformation journeys, which will contribute to realizing Kuwait's ambition to become a data-driven economy.

Thomas Kurian, Chief Executive Officer, Google Cloud, said: "The strategic alliance supports the Government of Kuwait's Vision 2035, which aims to transform Kuwait into a digital society and diversify its economy. We are proud to bring the latest Google Cloud technologies to Kuwait to help the country realize its digitization ambitions. The arrival of Google Cloud will contribute to developing a rich tech ecosystem in the country, creating exciting, highly-skilled job opportunities for Kuwaitis."

Google Cloud will collaborate with the Central Agency for Information Technology (CAIT) to launch a national skilling program. The program will upskill government employees in digital technologies and Google Cloud's cutting-edge data analytics, machine learning (ML), AI, and security solutions.

The strategic agreement is another important milestone in Google Cloud's expansion in the Middle East region and represents a further commitment to investing in its digital future. The new cloud region will support the Government of Kuwait and other Google Cloud customers to manage their digital workloads efficiently, and enable them to store important data securely.

About Google Cloud

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