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**GLOBAL EDUCATION COMPANY, DIGITARY WELCOMES CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER,
TAKIS DIAKOUMIS**

Today, Melbourne led global online education company, Digitary welcomed Takis Diakoumis as its Chief Technology Officer.

Takis joins the Executive Leadership Team, along with Chief Operating Officer James Murray-Beckman, who joined the company in September.

“Takis brings deep experience in software development and programming across the education, consulting and online retail sectors,” said founder and Chief Executive Officer, Andy Dowling.

Highly regarded across the tech sector, Takis who has worked with Open Universities Australia, Internet Business Systems and Lonely Planet, specialises in open source coding and leading integrated tech teams.

Previously led by Andy Dowling, Digitary houses a highly talented team of developers and programmers who have built and deployed large scale, secure platforms for Higher Education institutions in the UK, Ireland, Australia and New Zealand.

“I’ll be looking after the development road map, driving our technology pathways and being a sounding board to the team,” said Chief Technology Officer, Takis Diakoumis.

Digitary’s annual income has grown tenfold in the past five years and it recently secured a significant investment from SEEK that will take the business into more countries and rapidly expand its capability to serve more education providers, learners and businesses internationally.

Digitary is the nominated service provider for the UK’s Digital Academic Records Exchange (DARE) platform, serving institutions like the University of Cambridge since 2008. Digitary now delivers the technology that drives My eEquals for all of Australia and New Zealand’s universities.

“In 2018, Digitary won the Higher Education Sector (HES) contract to deploy its credential authentication platform, branded My eEquals in all of ANZ’s 47 Universities, which was completed on time and on budget,” said Mr Murray-Beckman.

Over 80 institutions have issued more than 2 million records to 1.5 million learners who have shared them with third parties, like employers, in 125 countries.

Within Digitary’s trusted global network, people are protected, empowered and free to fulfil lifelong learning and employment through secure digital certification.

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BACKGROUND ABOUT DIGITARY

Established in Dublin, Ireland (1999) by Andy Dowling, Digitary is an online platform that enables Higher Education institutions and their students to upload, sign, share and verify academic qualifications, transcripts and other documents, with bank level security, anytime, anywhere in the world.

Digitary is a regular contributor to developments in the global e-Credentials ecosystem through its participation in the Groningen Declaration Network (www.groningendeclaration.net) and through collaboration with European stakeholders to facilitate standardisation and electronic exchange of student mobility data.

In 2018, Australian online recruitment company, [SEEK](#) made a €4million (over \$6.3million Australian) to buy a minor stake in Digitary, which is enabling the business to grow its team and expand into further international markets. SEEK's Strategy Director, Florian Dehne also sits on the Digitary Board.

Founded in Dublin, Ireland Digitary now has offices in Bologna, Italy; Delhi, India; Melbourne, Australia and Vancouver, Canada.

Digitary is comprised of a global team of innovative and experienced IT security professionals, systems architects, web designers and software developers, supported by sales and marketing and corporate services people on a mission to make it secure and easy for individuals to access, share and authenticate their verified achievements online.

Digitary prides itself on a positive company culture and working environment. By working at Digitary people work alongside a highly talented international team and are part of an exciting growth story it continues to transform the way qualifications are certified and used around the world.