

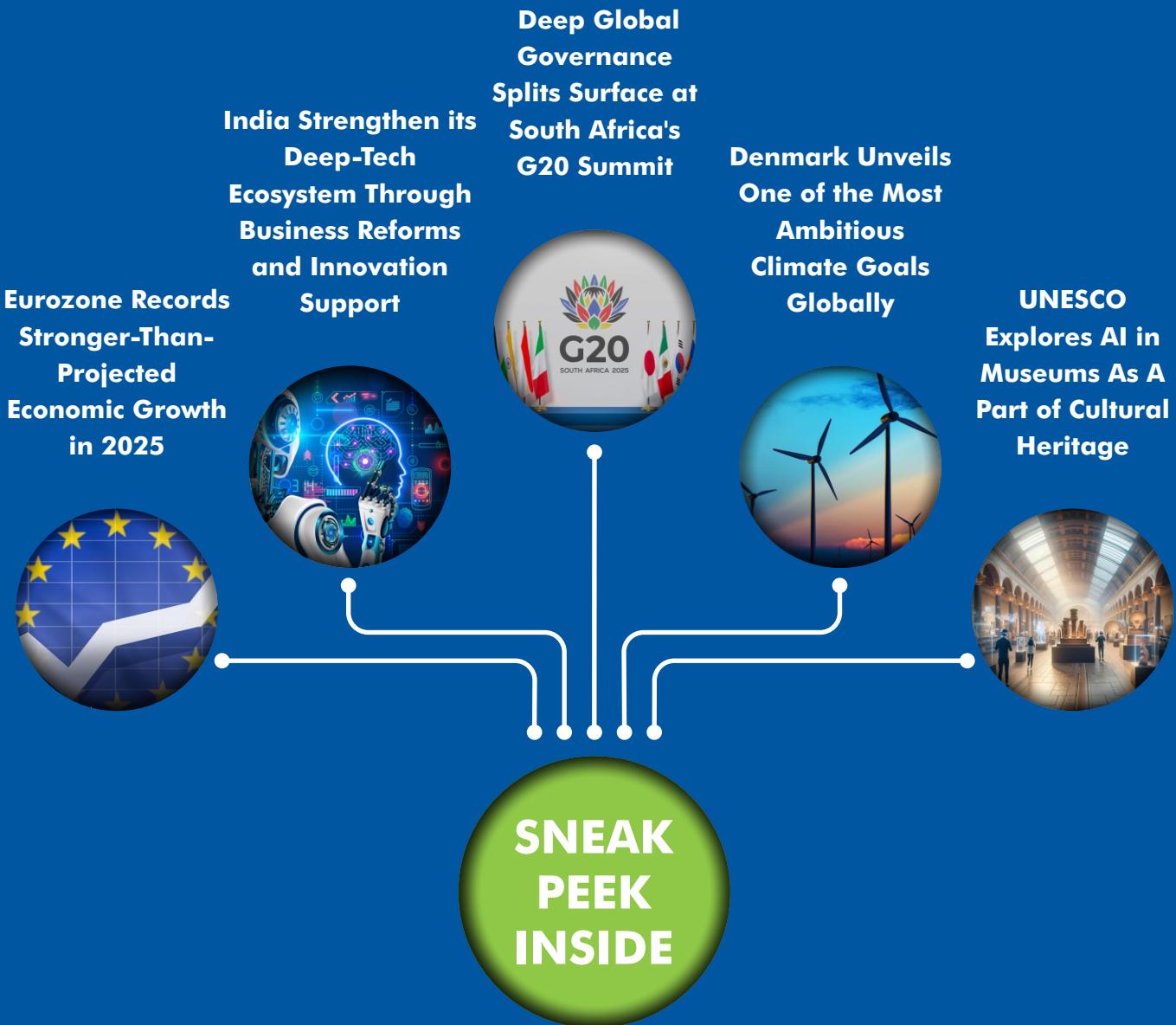
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DEAR READERS,

The AG Group once again welcomes you in 2025 with the Quarter 4 edition of its newsletter **“The AG communiqué”**. This insightful newsletter sums up major updates from the corners of the globe about evolving economy, technological innovations, global governance, sustainability, and cultural heritage.. This section will strategically offer you important information about Eurozone growth, Indian deep-tech ecosystem, governance discussion at G20 Summit, Denmark's climate initiative, and role of AI in museums.

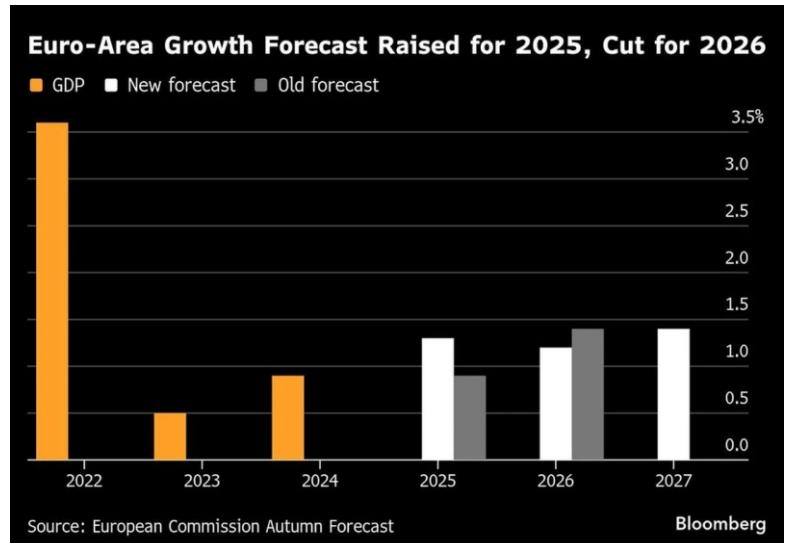




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EUROZONE RECORDS STRONGER-THAN- PROJECTED ECONOMIC GROWTH IN 2025

In 2025, stronger-than-projected economic growth was recorded across the Eurozone, outperforming earlier forecasts by a notable margin and reinforcing confidence in the region's post-pandemic recovery trajectory. Revised estimates indicate that the bloc's economy expanded by around 1.3 percent, compared to the 0.9 percent growth projected earlier in the year. This upward revision reflects improved macroeconomic conditions and a gradual recovery from earlier slowdowns.



Source: <https://financialpost.com/pmn/business-pmn/euro-zone-set-for-moderate-growth-after-2025-resilience-eu-says>



Source: <https://www.indexbox.io/blog/eus-gdp-grows-by-03-in-q1-2025/>

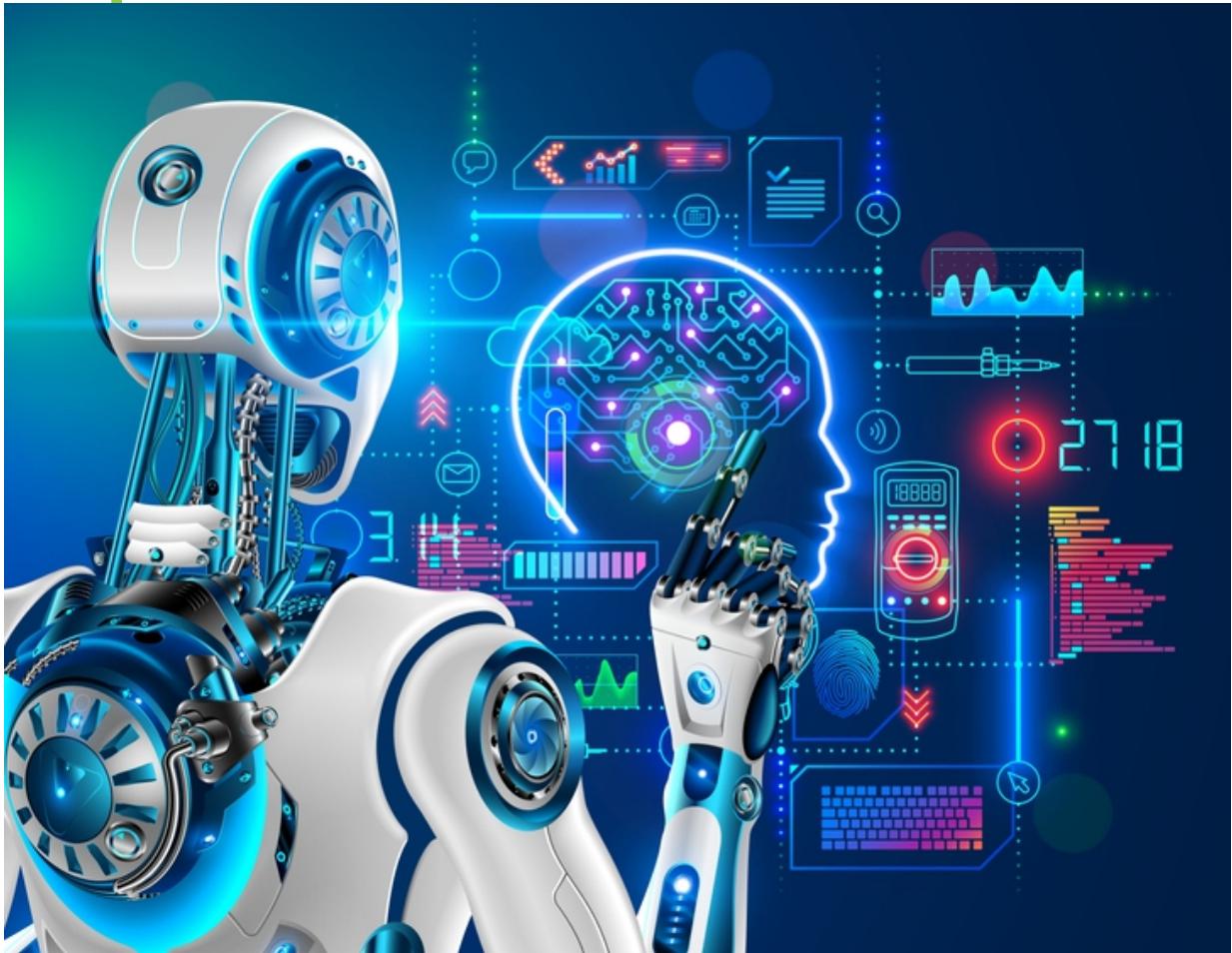
consolidation pressures could affect medium-term prospects. Thus, the 2025 performance signals improved economic resilience across the Eurozone, strengthening investor confidence and providing a firmer foundation for sustainable growth ahead.

Growth momentum was supported by strong domestic demand, easing inflationary pressures, and resilient labor markets across several member states, particularly in core Eurozone economies. Improved export performance and stabilising energy prices also contributed to higher economic output, specifically in manufacturing and services sectors during the first half of the year.

Despite the positive surprise, policymakers remain cautious. **External risks such as geopolitical tensions, global trade uncertainties, and fiscal**

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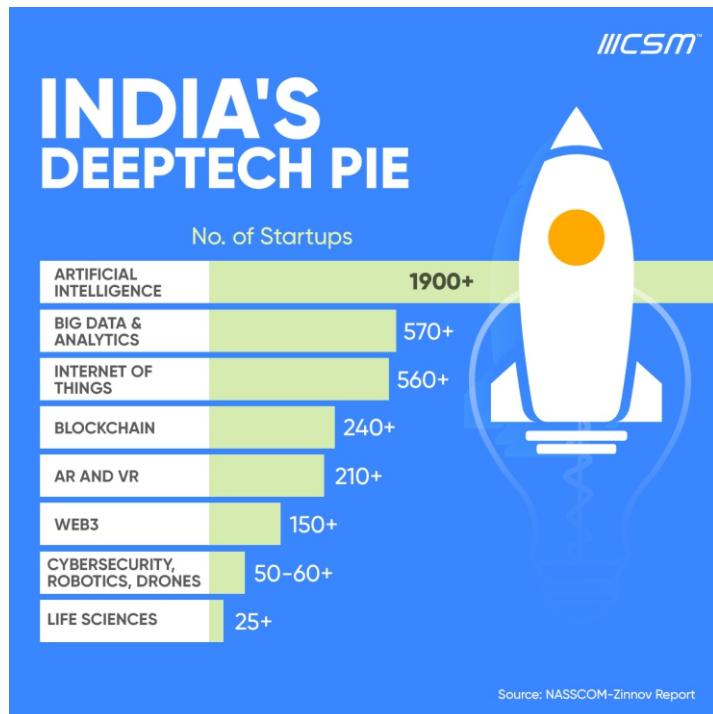
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02

INDIA STRENGTHEN ITS DEEP-TECH ECOSYSTEM THROUGH BUSINESS REFORMS AND INNOVATIVE SUPPORT

India is steadily advancing its position in **deep-tech** domains by combining policy reforms with focused innovation support. Recent government initiatives emphasize **improving ease of doing business, reducing regulatory friction, and expanding access to domestic capital** for deep-tech startups. Policy discussions are progressively **centring on sustained R&D funding**, strengthening intellectual property (IP) development, and expanding domestic technologies across priority sectors.



Source: <https://www.civilsdaily.com/news/indias-deep-tech-policy-to-get-cabinet-nod/>

Together, business reforms and innovation support are positioning India as an emerging leader in deep-tech development.

National Deep Tech Startup Policy (NDTSP)

National Deep Tech Startup Policy (NDTSP) is strategically formulated to stimulate innovation, spur economic growth, and promote societal development through the effective utilization of deep tech research-driven innovations. This initiative centralizes on bolstering deep tech startups, thereby solidifying India's financial stability and stimulating the transition towards a knowledge-centric economy, consequently augmenting India's overall productivity.

The National Deep Tech Startup Policy (NDTSP) aims to address the challenges confronting deep tech startups through definitive policy interventions to create a conducive ecosystem. Acknowledging the key significance of deep technology in propelling innovation, economic growth, and societal development, the NDTSP lays the foundation for India's emerging Deep Tech Startup ecosystem.

This initiative is anchored on four pillars



Source: <https://www.vajiraoinstitute.com/upsc-ias-current-affairs/what-is-deep-tech-advantage-and-disadvantage.aspx>

Industry stakeholders and investors have welcomed these reforms while calling for greater regulatory clarity and tax incentives to attract patient capital. **Deep-tech ventures, which often require longer gestation periods**, depend on predictable policies and supportive fiscal frameworks. Streamlining compliance norms and extending Startup India benefits are seen as critical steps to encourage private investment and risk-taking.

At the global level, India's growing capabilities in space technology, semiconductors, and advanced manufacturing are gaining recognition. Thought leaders highlight **India's shift from services-led growth to IP-driven innovation**, supported by strong public-private collaboration.

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03

DEEP GLOBAL GOVERNANCE SPLITS SURFACE AT SOUTH AFRICA'S G20 SUMMIT

South Africa's 2025 G20 Summit in Johannesburg highlighted **deep fractures in global governance**, revealing a widening divide between major powers and emerging economies. South Africa's leadership, prioritizing **debt reform, climate resilience, and Global South concerns**, underscored longstanding structural imbalances in international economic governance and development policy. Under its presidency, the G20 agenda emphasized **inclusive growth, debt transparency, climate finance, and inequality**, challenging the traditional dominance of wealthier nations and advocating for broader representation within global financial institutions.



Source: <https://theconversation.com/south-africas-g20-presidency-diplomatic-victory-but-a-weak-final-declaration-270476>

However, the summit exposed sharp geopolitical rifts. **The United States boycotted or downgraded participation**, reflecting fundamental disagreements over issues such as climate commitments and multilateral cooperation, contrasting with South Africa's push for a more equitable governance model. Other divisions emerged over which **conflicts merited attention and how economic burdens like debt should be addressed**, underscoring divergent priorities between the Global North and South.



Source: <https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cy0kdvlwl9jo>

These tensions suggest that while consensus on some development goals was achieved, **global governance remains deeply contested**, with competing visions for multilateral cooperation shaping future international diplomacy.

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DENMARK UNVEILS ONE OF THE MOST AMBITIOUS CLIMATE GOALS GLOBALLY

Denmark has unveiled one of the world's most ambitious climate goals by committing to **cut greenhouse gas emissions by 82-85 percent by 2035** compared with 1990 levels. The legally binding target reinforces Denmark's position as a global climate frontrunner and reflects its long-standing emphasis on renewable energy, climate legislation, and green innovation across sectors.



Source: <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2025-11-17/uk-overtaken-by-denmark-as-most-ambitious-country-on-climate>



Source: <https://stateofgreen.com/en/news/empowering-a-green-and-competitive-danish-industry/>

The 2035 target also places Denmark ahead of several advanced economies, including the United Kingdom, which has been overtaken in global rankings for climate ambition. Analysts note that Denmark's pledge exceeds current EU-wide commitments and sets a higher benchmark for developed countries, challenging peers to accelerate emissions reductions through stronger policy frameworks.

Crucially, the new target aligns with **Denmark's long-term vision of achieving climate neutrality by 2045**, a goal already enshrined in national law. By setting aggressive interim milestones, Denmark aims to ensure policy continuity, attract green investment, and demonstrate that rapid decarbonization can support economic competitiveness while meeting Paris Agreement objectives.

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UNESCO EXPLORES AI IN MUSEUMS AS A PART OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

Museums worldwide are increasingly exploring artificial intelligence (AI) to enhance the preservation, interpretation, and accessibility of cultural heritage. At the **43rd UNESCO General Conference in Samarkand**, museum professionals, AI developers, and cultural leaders convened to discuss **innovative applications of AI in museum practices**. The dialogue emphasized how technology can support the documentation, exhibition, and conservation of both tangible and intangible heritage while upholding ethical and sustainable standards.



Source: <https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/unesco-sparks-global-dialogue-ai-and-future-museums>



Source: <https://itmunch.com/the-role-of-ai-in-cultural-preservation-and-heritage/>

AI offers museums significant opportunities to engage audiences in new ways. Through interactive exhibits, personalized experiences, and advanced research tools, **museums can reach wider and more diverse audiences**, including those unable to visit physically. Discussions highlighted the importance of ethical governance, aligned with **UNESCO's 2021 Recommendation on the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence**, ensuring AI applications respect human dignity, cultural diversity, and sustainability.

When integrated thoughtfully, **AI allows museums to balance technological innovation with cultural stewardship**. By leveraging AI, museums can enhance educational programs, strengthen community engagement, and ensure heritage preservation for future generations, supporting their evolution in the digital era.

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