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AI Pathfinder supports UK government to drive growth through sovereign AI

AI Pathfinder welcomes today's announcement by the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology, which sets out a major package of reforms and investment to put AI at the heart of the Government's mission to drive growth, create jobs, and spread prosperity across the country.

AI Pathfinder is moving the UK from AI strategy to immediate delivery. As the UK's first vertically integrated sovereign AI company, we are investing over £150 million into the immediate deployment of high-performance GPU infrastructure at our Northamptonshire facility, with operational capacity coming online in Q1 2026. This investment will provide secure, UK-based computing power for defence, national security, critical public services, and private regulated sectors. We are pleased to be recognised alongside other British companies building Britain's AI future.

As our CEO, Martin Bellamy, noted: "AI Pathfinder is driving economic growth and social value through sovereign AI. With an initial investment of over £150 million, we are equipping the UK's public sector, industry, and national security communities with the secure infrastructure they demand. This is a vote of confidence in the UK's vision: delivering world-class capability while keeping sensitive data firmly on British soil."

The importance of sovereign infrastructure

The announcement reflects the Government's commitment to ensuring that British businesses, researchers, and public sector organisations have access to the secure, sovereign AI infrastructure needed to serve citizens and grow a resilient economy.

Sovereign AI infrastructure is an essential component of long-term national competitiveness and resilience. In a rapidly changing world, it provides the UK with the autonomy needed to determine how we will live, work, and develop as a country.

Our initial £150 million deployment is the first phase in a rapidly deployed programme of over £18 billion in investment into UK sovereign AI infrastructure over the next five years. This programme will deliver compute capacity across UK regions, supporting the Government's AI Opportunities Action Plan and ensuring sensitive workloads remain within UK jurisdiction.

Our business model provides turnkey solutions that transform businesses and public sector delivery, allowing UK organisations to access world-class AI capabilities customised to their needs. For the UK's public sector, national security community, and regulated sectors, this means leveraging AI's transformative potential without compromising on data security or sovereign control.

Supporting regional economic growth

The Government's announcement includes AI Growth Zones across the UK, bringing investment and employment to regions including South Wales, Bristol, and London. Our Northamptonshire deployment aligns with this regional growth strategy, bringing economic opportunity to communities outside the capital. This reflects our determination that AI development drives inclusive prosperity across UK nations and regions.

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