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Technology and Digitalization in the Work of the United Nations

Thursday, 21 November 2019, 18:00 (admission 17:30) – Munich

WFP Innovation Accelerator, Buttermelcherstraße 16, 80469 München

As digitalization increasingly becomes part of day-to-day life around the globe, the United Nations is also finding innovative new ways to use technology in its work. This is especially relevant in the context of migration, refugee, and humanitarian affairs.

This event will bring together experts from the Office of the High-Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the World Food Programme (WFP), the *Deutsche Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit* (GIZ) and the German Development Institute (DIE) to explore and discuss how digitalization and technology are being used to support refugees, enable access to education, provide food aid, and support livelihoods for displaced people.

The panel and audience will cover a number of critical questions, including:

- How does digitalization affect the operation of organizations from the UN system?
- Which digital technologies and tools have been adopted in the UN's humanitarian work?
- What role can start-ups and the private sector play in strengthening the ability of the United Nations to improve the lives of people around the globe, and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals?

- 18:00 **Welcome:** UNA Germany
- 18:05 **The WFP Innovation Accelerator:** Dhani Spiller, Head of Innovation Services, WFP Innovation Accelerator
- 18:15 **Panel on the Use of Technology and Digitalization**
- **Education and Identity:** Maren Kroeger, Tertiary Education Officer, UNHCR Copenhagen
 - **The Projects of the WFP Innovation Accelerator:** Gustav Stomfelt, New Venture Consultant, WFP Innovation Accelerator, Munich
 - **Development Cooperation:** Johannes Wander, GIZ Digital Development
 - Moderator: **Charles Martin-Shields**, German Development Institute
- 19:15 **Interactive Q & A**
- 20:00 **Reception**