

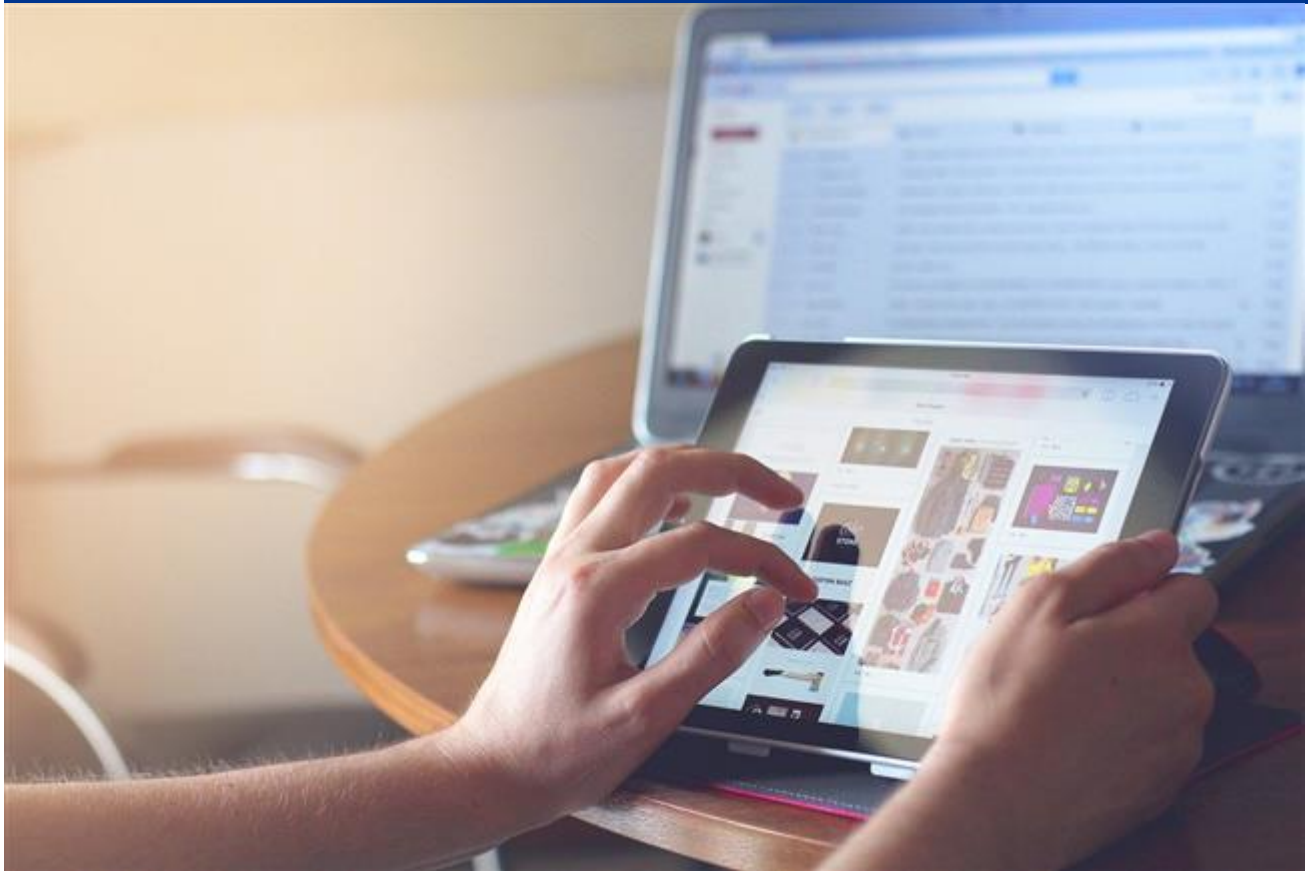
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Boost for Tech Sector

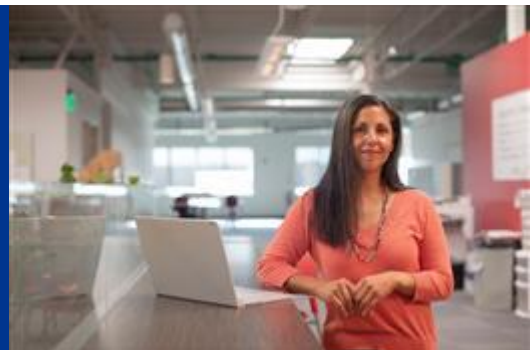
The Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) is to launch a Digital Growth Grant competition (<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/competition-launched-for-12-million-grant-to-turbocharge-uk-tech-growth?msclkid=f67c86d4c08811ecb889052172feb12c>). This is to boost the growth of tech- start-ups and scale-ups across the UK. The grant will become operational in the summer and those interested can complete an expression of interest form here (<https://bit.ly/3EXWHCB>).



Showcase Tees Valley

RTC North will be hosting Showcase Tees Valley on **May 4th 2022 at Middlesbrough FC's Riverside Stadium**. The event gives an opportunity to promote local businesses, network and discover supplier chain opportunities across key sectors including advanced manufacturing, offshore and renewable energy. Tickets are free and can be booked here (<https://www.rtcnorth.co.uk/events-article/showcase-tees-valley-2022>).

BoldyGrow Business Course for Women



A new programme to help women set-up and grow in business in the region is being launched in May. The BoldlyGrow programme will be a blend of expert-led workshops and webinars delivered over 12 weeks. This programme is being hosted by Creative Fuse and delivered by Create North.

For more information and to register your interest click here (<https://createnorth.co.uk/events/boldly-grow-a-growth-programme-for-audacious-women-creatives/?msclkid=77f8f8d9c08911ec85f0c8efc9ea4338>).



£1,000 Tax Saving for SMES Kicks in

A reminder that the Employment Allowance for small businesses has now risen from £4,000 to £5,000 - meaning smaller firms will be able to claim up to £5,000 off their Employer National Insurance Contributions (NICs) bills. This is an extra saving of £1,000 a year for many small businesses. For more information click here (<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/tax-cut-worth-up-to-1000-for-half-a-million-small-businesses-starts-today>).

Free Numeracy Training for Eligible Employees



A new programme to help people improve their numeracy skills is being launched. The programme is called Multiply and offers access to free numeracy training for those aged over-19 who do not have maths at GCSE grade C or equivalent. Research has shown that improving numeracy skills can increase productivity in the workplace. For more information click here (<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/multiplying-maths-skills-for-adults>).

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Business and Intellectual Property Information

Business & IP Centre Tees Valley will now be operating one day a week, on a Friday, at Redcar Central Library. The service offers a range of business support including assistance on intellectual Property. For more details or to make an appointment contact by e-mail: maria.lannon@stockton.gov.uk

Our Business Engagement Team is here to help you and your business. Contact the team on 01642 444366 or email business@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk.

