



Data4 at the European Summit on Digital Sovereignty: Building the Foundations for Europe's Digital and Sustainable Future

- *High-power and secure data centers infrastructures are crucial to Europe's technological competitiveness*
- *As European champion of data centers, building the railway for innovation, Data4 was among the few companies selected to showcase at the Summit*
- *Data4 calls for urgent regulatory simplification and fast track procedures in Europe to guarantee digital sovereignty.*

Berlin, November 18th, 2025 – Data4, European leader in data center infrastructure, proudly participated in the European Summit on Digital Sovereignty, reaffirming its commitment to building robust, secure, and sustainable digital foundations for Europe's future.

Europe is at a critical juncture. As artificial intelligence reshapes industries, digital transformation is no longer an option but an imperative to remain independent, secure, and competitive in a globally interconnected world. The need for sovereign, resilient, and innovative digital infrastructure has never been greater.

With nearly 20 years of expertise and a focus on security and sustainability, Data4 is building infrastructures that meet the technological and societal demands of Europe's digital future. The group operates state-of-the-art campuses in six European countries (France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Greece, Poland), supporting the growth of cloud services and AI applications with a total power capacity of 1.5 GW and already 38 data centers. Continuing its momentum, Data4 has ambitious plans to further expand its presence across the continent, with additional sites set to open in the coming years, creating local ecosystems, generating jobs and supporting regional development across Europe.

European Data Centers: The Backbone of Digital Sovereignty and Innovation

European data centers are to digital sovereignty what railways are to trains: an indispensable prerequisite for Europe to remain competitive in the global technological race. The development of strategic European infrastructures is essential for the emergence of a robust digital ecosystem, capable of hosting and securing data, reconciling performance with sustainability, and contributing to the competitiveness of our regions.

The new Hanau campus near Frankfurt, one of Europe's most powerful facilities, a gateway for AI and Cloud, spanning 25 hectares with a capacity of up to 180 MW and a doubled investment of €2 billion, and the pioneering [biocircular datacenter project](#) in Marcoussis, France, transforming server waste heat into biomass, exemplify the group's commitment to innovation and environmental responsibility. 100% of Data4's electricity is already carbon-free, and the company is a leader in integrating renewable energy, low-carbon construction, and advanced cooling techniques to reduce water consumption.

A Call for European Action

Data4 calls on European authorities to recognize the strategic importance of digital infrastructure and to accelerate the development of regulatory and energy frameworks that support the rapid deployment of data

centers. Only through coordinated action can Europe maintain its place in the global technological race and ensure its digital autonomy.

Olivier Micheli, President and CEO of Data4, said:

“To foster innovation, while protecting European sensitive data and keeping them in Europe, we must not only talk about digital sovereignty but actively shape it, by simplifying regulations to accelerate the construction of these necessary ‘vault’ infrastructures. At the Summit, the group placed these stakes at the heart of the discussion. At Data4, we’re not just creating data centers – we’re building a network for Europe’s digital future. We aim to demonstrate how sustainable high-capacity data centers can form the foundations of Europe’s independence and competitiveness.”

Prof. Dr. Kristina Sinemus, Hessian Minister for Digitalisation and Innovation, commented:

“Data centers are the heart of our digital infrastructure. By ensuring that our data is stored and processed within secure, resilient and innovative European infrastructures, such as the next-generation campus that Data4 is building in the Hesse region, we not only protect our strategic interests, but also facilitate the innovation that will drive Europe’s competitiveness in the digital age. We must accelerate the deployment of these infrastructures, simplify regulatory procedures and strengthen energy networks to support the rise of artificial intelligence and digital innovation across Germany and Europe.”

About Data4

Data4 is a major European operator and investor in the data center market. The Group finances, designs, builds and operates its own data centers.

Data4 Group has pioneered an ultra-connected, resilient and sustainable data center campus model, with the aim of supporting its customers' digital growth over the long term by providing them with scalable and secure hosting solutions for their IT servers, ranging from a single rack to a dedicated building.

The Group is committed to a proactive approach to sustainable development through its Data4 Good program, which is based on 4 main pillars: environment, people, community and governance.

Data4 Group operates some of the most powerful data center campuses in Europe, with land and electricity reserves that are unique on the European market. Data4's data centers in France, Italy, Spain, Poland, Germany and now Greece are home to international cloud operators and major telecoms providers, as well as innovative tech companies and multinationals.

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