



eForHum and IT Academy Help Early Career People Follow Their Passion



Who we are

eForHum is a professional training and coaching organization based in Milan, Italy. For more than 10 years, eForHum has offered courses and certification programs to individuals interested in entering the high-tech industry. These certification programs have focused on traditional technology, including routing, switching, collaboration, security and service providers.

VMware® is headquartered in Palo Alto, California. The **VMware IT Academy** is a global, public-private partnership with institutions around the world. VMware IT Academy teaches the application of VMware technology to help students lead in the digital future. This fosters career development, creates a pipeline of diverse talent and helps lead positive change around the world.

One of the new graduates

Giorgio Panizzari hails from a small town in the province of Milan, north Italy, and he's always been interested in IT. In fact, when he was 11 years old, with tips he earned by helping run the family winery, he bought his first server on eBay. All of his tinkering was done from scratch. Today, he works in a full-service IT environment of a modern company: networking, management services, monitoring, backups and collaboration.

School and his new career

Following that quick deployment, in the first month Information Technology Institute (ITI) signed a memo of understanding (MoU) with VMware to promote the company's solutions and build the IT capacities of students.

Following his tinkering, Giorgio dedicated himself to IT studies by attending an ICT higher secondary school. During his last year of school, he discovered the VMware IT Academy, and it changed his life. At age 19, he took his first ICT industrial certification and started his apprenticeship as a system engineer.

During his apprenticeship and to launch his career, Giorgio chose to prepare for the VMware Datacenter Virtualization Professional Certification. We are happy to report that it worked. While he was attending the training in eForHum at VMware IT Academy, he was contacted by Accenture. Thanks to the VCP-DCV certification, he was selected to work for a VMware partner designing his first disaster recovery plan.

Now at 23, he's a senior system engineer specialized in datacenter virtualization, and he works mainly on VMware vSphere® and VMware Horizon®.

VMware IT Academy gave him the foothold that he needed to find the opportunity to get hands-on experience and follow his passion.

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In his own words

“Without IT Academy, today I would probably be a programmer, because that is what is taught most at school. If I hadn't gotten that opportunity, I don't think I'd have found my way.

“I have always been very curious, and I had a real passion for IT. VMware IT Academy and eForHum at that time gave me the opportunity to shape it and help me find my passion and it was the right path. Thanks to them I found the job I wanted and really accelerated my career, reaching the role I wanted three or four years in advance of my timeline. It gave me a huge career boost.

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Spoken like an old soul.

Together we learn more, do more and be more

It is through partnerships such as with eForHum that VMware IT Academy can have a positive impact in Europe. By working together and providing in-demand skills to eager students, we are able to fill a talent gap and bring positive visibility to VMware IT Academy, its partners and its students.

Learn more

Learn more about how VMware IT Academy students can align themselves to the leader by visiting this site:

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