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Columbia Joins AI Consortium

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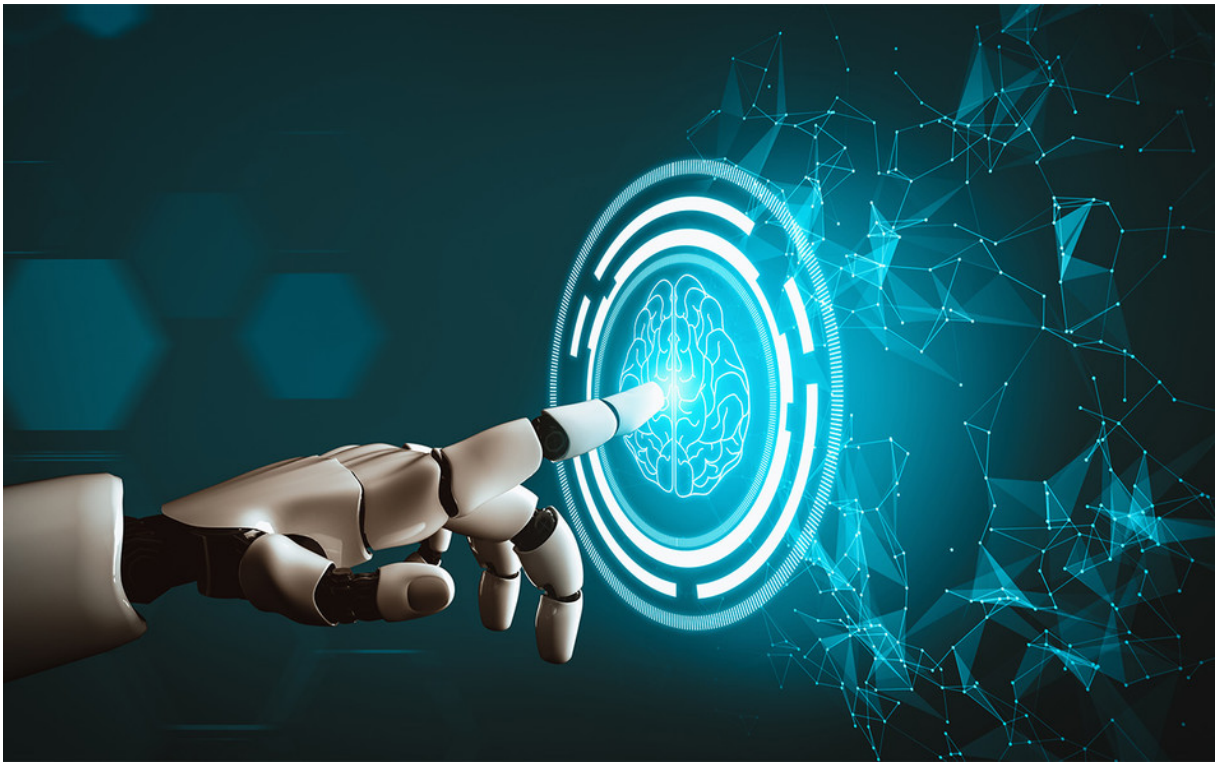

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Columbia University has announced that it will join six other research institutions as part of a plan advanced by New York governor Kathy Hochul to make the state a leader in artificial- intelligence research.

At the center of this effort, called “Empire AI,” will be the development of a large computational facility in upstate New York to support research on socially responsible artificial-intelligence technology.

Empire AI is to be governed by Columbia, Cornell, New York University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the State University of New York, the City University of New York, and the Flatiron Institute. The consortium aims to attract more data scientists to New York, expand educational opportunities, strengthen the state’s economy, and bolster US national security.

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