

Alcatel Submarine Networks, Mistral AI and Unitel Cloud Services join forces to deploy a sovereign generative AI infrastructure in France.

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In the context of the Artificial Intelligence (AI) revolution and the fundamental efficiency improvements it will bring to well-run companies, ASN is announcing a strategic partnership with Mistral AI and Unitel Group to build an ASN-private and French/ European-sovereign “Generative AI” infrastructure. This initiative follows President Emmanuel Macron’s announcements in February 2025 of plans to accelerate the deployment of AI in France.

The objective of this partnership is to provide all ASN employees in every location with a secure and confidential ecosystem allowing them to leverage the tremendous potential of Generative AI in every activity of the company without exposing sensitive information outside of ASN.

By design, this strategic partnership is involving French companies delivering solutions developed in France and supported by a dedicated infrastructure owned, located and supported in France.

Expected to be operational later this year, the first use cases of this sovereign ecosystem will include:

1. Generic AI, providing ASN employees with a ‘Le Chat Enterprise’ solution with features such as generic chat, translation, summarization, document analysis and many others.
2. Specific AI, allowing ASN to start introducing and leveraging Generative AI in its core processes, starting with domains such as R&D, Services or support functions.

Once deployed, ASN employees will benefit from a private and exclusive AI platform to support their activity.

This partnership, established between French actors recognized for their leadership in their respective domains, is a testament to the willingness of ASN to invest in innovative solutions, as well as Mistral AI and Unitel Group to apply their technologies & expertise to the submarine telecommunications cable industry.

About Alcatel Submarine Networks (ASN)

With over 160 years of history and 80% ownership by the French State Investment Agency (APE), Alcatel Submarine Networks (ASN) is a major player in the submarine cable industry, with more than 850,000 km of submerged optical systems deployed worldwide - equivalent to 21 times the Earth’s circumference. With its 3 factories located in Europe and an exclusive fleet of 7 cable-laying vessels spread across the globe, ASN develops, designs, deploys, and maintains turnkey submarine transmission systems for telecommunications operators, content & service providers (OTT), as well as offshore oil and gas applications. With a complete portfolio of services and a unique expertise, ASN meets specific and growing demands of its clients to deliver ever-increasing connectivity across the seas and oceans.

ASN is actively continuing its investment in the development of Submarine Line Terminal Equipment (SLTE). This focus on innovation and advancement in SLTE technology highlights ASN’s commitment to maintaining its position at the forefront of the subsea communications industry. By doing so, ASN ensures that its systems are equipped with the latest technological advancements, offering enhanced performance, reliability, and efficiency.

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About Unitel Cloud Services (Unitel Group)

Unitel Cloud Services is a French provider of technology solutions specializing in cloud computing infrastructures, advanced telecommunications services (fiber/5G), and expert artificial intelligence.

In a context of accelerated digital transformation, we support businesses and public institutions in the design, deployment, and operation of critical platforms, with a constant focus on performance, security, and data sovereignty.

Our teams of engineers and architects—known for their field experience and transparent approach—work closely with clients to build customized, scalable solutions aligned with the strictest industrial and regulatory standards.

Whether it's automating business processes with AI, modernizing network infrastructures, or migrating to a controlled private cloud, Unitel Cloud Services places people, trust, and responsible innovation at the heart of every project.

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About Mistral AI

Mistral AI is a pioneer company in generative artificial intelligence, empowering the world with the tools to build and benefit from the most transformative technology of our time. The company democratizes AI through high-performance, optimized, and cutting-edge open-source models, products and solutions. Headquartered in France and independent, Mistral AI defends a decentralized and transparent approach to technology, with a strong global presence in the United States, United Kingdom, and Singapore.

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