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## NAVIGATING HUMAN AND AI INTERACTION WITHIN THE LABOUR MARKET: IMPLICATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES

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## NAVIGATING HUMAN AND AI INTERACTION WITHIN THE LABOUR MARKET: IMPLICATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES A ROUNDTABLE MEET

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Good evening, everyone! It is my pleasure to welcome you all to this vital roundtable on Navigating Human and AI Interaction within the Labour Market: Implications and Opportunities.

As the regional centre of Commonwealth of Learning, COL-CEMCA focusses on Technology-enabled skilling and education as a pathway to learning for development. From community radio to Artificial Intelligence (AI), we recognise the critical role of emerging technologies in shaping the future.

AI, particularly Generative AI (GenAI) powered by large language models (LLMs), has emerged as one of the most significant disruptors in recent years. Its implications for the Future of Work are vast yet still uncertain. It sparks optimism on the one hand, while there are also concerns about its unforeseen impact and challenges, on the other.

We are navigating an uncertain future and the idea of GenAI induced job augmentation is also unclear, leaving space for too much optimism and too much pessimism! – High hopes and Broken promises

In this complex scenario, we need to advocate for the importance of human-in-the-loop approach. At COL-CEMCA, we strongly believe that the human element must remain central to AI-driven systems, ensuring a balanced and inclusive future of work. The current roundtable is a timely one as it provides an opportunity to explore the implications and opportunities of human-AI interaction in the labour market.

I extend a warm welcome to all participants joining in person at COL-CEMCA's office, and those participating online.

I would like to thank GPAI and INRIA for their collaboration in this effort, and I extend my special thanks to team CoRE AI for organising this roundtable, and, to all the participants for their esteemed presence in this thought-provoking debate.

With these words, being an event recognised by INRIA and GPAI, I would like to invite Ms Marie-Fleur Simmet to deliver her opening remarks.