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- **Why it matters** Global venture funding totaled \$159 billion in Q3 2026, driven by a record 27 companies raising over \$1 billion each.
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EU AI Act omnibus delays high-risk compliance to December 2027, extends fines for general-purpose models

- **Why it matters** Regulation 2026/1744 shifts the enforcement deadline for Annex III high-risk systems to 2 December 2027 and makes Commission fines for general-purpose model providers effective immediately.
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Tencent signs reported \$7B five-year Oracle lease for 100,000 offshore AI chips at rates ~43% below standard H100 rental

- **Why it matters** The Financial Times reports Tencent has leased roughly 100,000 advanced AI chips across Oracle's Southeast Asian data centers for about \$7 billion over five years, an estimated per-chip-hour rate around 43% below prevailing one-year H100 rental benchmarks, with roughly 30% paid upfront.
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Workday reports 25% decline in demand for basic AI skills as technical hiring rises

- **Why it matters** A Workday survey of 550 employers shows that demand for basic AI skills peaked in January 2026 and fell by 25 percent over the following months, while demand for automation and engineering skills rose 51 percent between September 2025 and July 2026.
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EU Commission set to designate AWS and Azure as DMA gatekeepers by November 2026

- **Why it matters** The European Commission plans to formally designate Amazon Web Services and Microsoft Azure as gatekeepers under the Digital Markets Act, based on lock-in effects and high switching costs cited in preliminary findings.
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Ukraine deploys 12 AI-guided turrets in Kyiv, achieves first intercept of fiber-optic Geran-5 drone

- **Why it matters** Ukraine deployed 12 Lyut-Khyzhak turrets across Kyiv, with their AI detecting, tracking, and computing firing solutions autonomously while a human authorizes fire.
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