

Terms & Conditions



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1. OBJECTIVES OF THE HACKATHON

The Product: The judges will assess PowerPoint presentation, code used and a demo as final product.

The Product Content: Product idea, concept, any content used in presenting the product.

2. PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

- Minimum of 8 members per team.
- All teams shall elect one member to be the Team Leader.
- Full participation (Saturday and Sunday) and submission of solutions (on time, by the Sunday at 8pm, to the hackathons email address) to qualify for Cash prize and certificate.
- Top 3 teams have a share in R25 000 cash prize, banking details online form to be completed Thursday after hackathon.
- Participants shall ensure that the banking details provided are accurate with no liability on EPF in case of its inaccuracy.

3. RULES OF PARTICIPATION

- The teams competing must include at least 3 Software Developers as part of the team, might include other skillsets as needed to develop the product.
- All Participants must accept the event regulations and grant consent for the handling of their personal information and for the use to EPF.
- If the information provided during online registration is found to be incomplete and/or inaccurate, team member, will be excluded from the competition.
- The members of each team undertake not to present projects that have previously been submitted to other initiatives or projects that have been presented at previous EPF or non-EPF Hackathons.
- EPF does not condone the use of aggressive and/or vulgar language. In such case, EPF reserves the right to disqualify participant in question.
- EPF reserves the right to disqualify a participant in the event that said participant does not comply to the rules and/or instructions of the hackathon processes throughout the hackathon competition.
- In the case that a participant does not show any or adequate participation, EPF reserves the right to withdraw said participant from the competition.

4. THE PANEL OF JUDGES

- The panel will consist of a mix from Empire Partner Foundation and guest members.
- Winners shall be chosen according to the majority votes of the panel of judges' discretion.

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- EPF will not be held liable for late submission of solution after the given deadline, even in the case of extension from the primary deadline. EPF then reserves the right not to score the solution.

5. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS, GUARANTEES, AND RELEASE OF RESPONSIBILITY BY PARTICIPATING IN THE HACKATHON AND ACCEPTING THESE REGULATIONS, EACH PARTICIPANT HEREBY:

- declares that the Product or Product Content is an original work and in no way violates, in whole or in part, the intellectual or industrial property rights of others and releases Empire Partner Foundation from any and all responsibility, liability, or request for compensation for damages that should be made by any third party.

6. Empire Partner Foundation may elect to contact any of the Participants at any point of time for more information and to discuss potential forms of collaboration.

7. MISCELLANEOUS:

- The Participants hereby agree and acknowledge that any photos, videos and/or other recordings taken during the Hackathon can and will be used by Empire Partner Foundation (EPF), partners and/or sponsors (including but not limited any social media sites or platforms).
- EPF will determine participation eligibility, declare winners, and award prizes in its sole and absolute discretion. You agree that such decisions are final and are not subject to review or reconsideration.
- EPF is not responsible for technical problems or technical malfunction or other occurrences which may affect the operation of the Hackathon.
- These Terms and together with any Hackathon registration represent your entire agreement with EPF with respect to the Hackathon. These terms cannot be modified or changed except with the written agreement of EPF.

END.