



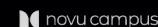
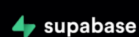
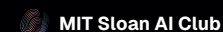
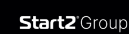
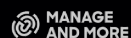
Hack-Nation

GLOBAL AI HACKATHON

Join us for July 18/19 and Oct. 3/4

Build the future with the world's best AI talent

Hackathons sponsored and presented by





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Keeping up with
innovation and
leveraging AI to
unlock value is hard



Top AI Talent is scarce and traditional
hiring methods miss the best builders



Internal innovation cycles are slow



Pushing new products into the hands of
top developers is hard

This is why we founded Hack-Nation:

A global AI talent engine



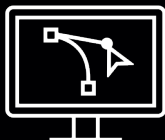
We solve real AI challenges for corporate partners – **fast**



We provide access the top 1% of AI builders from the world's best institutions



We incubate the most promising ideas into industry-changing ventures



We drive API adoption for our tech partners through our hackathons and spin up companies built on their products

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WE.
ARE.
HACK-NATION.

We host hackathons with **2k+** people
to solve challenges for our partners...



Partnering with



...and incubate the **top 30 teams** in our
venture lab to turn them into start-ups



Partnering with



Hackathons: Get access to the 2k+ of the hardest-to-reach AI engineers

Our participants come from the **world's best institutions** and will work on your challenge

Stanford	MIT	Harvard	Oxford	Cambridge	ETH Zürich
Imperial	TUM	LMU München	KIT	HPI	RWTH Aachen
UPenn	IITs	Columbia	Berkeley	NUS	Tsinghua Univ.

5,500+
APPLICATIONS

2,000+
ADMITTED HACKERS

50%
GRADUATE LEVEL+



Hackathons: Our hackers join online or in one of our 12+ global hubs



Stanford, US
Stanford German
Student Assoc.



San Francisco, US
Spiral, Presidio Bitcoin



Boston, US
MIT Sloan AI Club



NYC, US
Tavily, FOMO



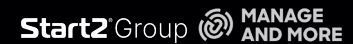
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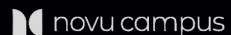
Dresden, DE
YETI, Boost



Munich, DE
Start2 Group,
manage & more



Zurich, CH
Novo Campus



Linz, AT
Factory 300 + Young
AI leaders



Paris, FR
FOMO, ESGI



Yerevan, AM
TUMO



Delhi, IN
Masters' Union



GIKI, PK
GIKI University



Our hackathons run
for 24 hours with a
pitch one week later



Time (ET)

Saturday, July. 18

Kick-off & speaker session

11:15 AM-12:05 PM

Reveal of challenges

12:05 PM – 12:15 PM

Hacking begins

12:15 PM

Sunday, Jul. 19

Submission deadline

9:00 AM

Saturday, Jul. 25

Finalist Pitches (3 Mins)

1st, 2nd and 3rd place of each challenge will pitch

12 PM-2:00 PM

Awards Ceremony

2:15 PM



Hackathons: Our hackers built real prototypes, shipped in 24 hours



OpportunityMap

TUM

Open infrastructure connecting underserved youth with economic opportunity.

[Watch pitch here](#)



HumanAPI Lightning

ETH Zürich

AI agents hire humans via Bitcoin Lightning task marketplace.

[Watch pitch here](#)



Scientist-OS

MIT

Autonomous AI scientist generating validated wet-lab research workflows.

[Watch pitch here](#)



AarogyaMap AI

Indian Institute of Technology

AI platform mapping trusted healthcare access across underserved India.

[Watch pitch here](#)



Nahbar

Northeastern University

Privacy-first local AI powering real-time contextual commerce offers.

[Watch pitch here](#)

Hackathons: We host world-class speakers from leading AI companies



Jack Dorsey
Twitter, Block Inc.
Founder



Raffi Krikorian
Mozilla
CTO



Laura Modiano
OpenAI
Founder Experience



Alex Zoellner
X, The Moonshot
Factory
Head of Rapid
Evaluation

Hackathons: We are trusted by the leaders building the AI economy

FRONTIER AI & CLOUD
For API adoption



Eleven
Labs

Lovable

databricks

Google

ENTERPRISE & INDUSTRY
For Innovation & hiring

SAP



Deutsche Bank

moz://a

DSV Gruppe

FULCRUM

Spiral

HRT

ECOSYSTEM
For access to talent

EWOR

the residency

CDTM

MANAGE
AND MORE

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DUBAI AI CAMPUS

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CENTER FOR CREATIVE TECHNOLOGIES

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ACADEMIC ANCHORS
To support the next gen of builders

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Venture Lab:

Our top 30 teams go through an intensive 3-month incubation, and receiving a total of **30M€** in credits from our partners

What we provide



Demo & Investor Day

Curated exposure to investors to support pre-seed fundraising in our investor day



Dedicated Senior Mentor

Each team is matched with an experienced operator (founder or Big Tech) for weekly guidance



1M EUR Compute & Tooling Credits

Compute credits from our partners via Start2 group



Founder-led Workshops & Online-tool

Hands-on sessions with top-tier founders and on-demand learning platform



Co-founder Matching via MBA Coaches

Supporting top technical founders on strategy, go-to-market, and company building



Become a partner for one year

	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM
	<u>Test the room.</u>	<u>Recruit + showcase.</u>	<u>Set the brief.</u>	<u>Shape the year.</u>
HACKATHONS	Event access for 10 people	1 Challenge & Hub access (15 pax)	2 Challenges & Hub access (15 pax)	4 Challenges & Hub access (15 pax)
CV ACCESS	25 CVs per hackathon (4x)	100 CVs per hackathon (4x)	250 CVs per hackathon (4x)	All CVs per hackathon (4x)
BRAND	On all socials as Bronze sponsor	On all socials as Silver sponsor	On all socials as Gold sponsor	On all socials as Platinum sponsor
VENTURE LAB	Investor Day pass · 1 pax	Investor Day pass · 3 pax	Investor day pass (3 pax) + API credit placement	Investor day pass (3 pax) + API credit placement
BENCH	—	3 jury seats for each challenge	3 jury seats for each challenge	3 jury seats for each challenge
SPEAKING	—	5 Min Keynote	5 Min Keynote	4x 5 Min Keynote

Hackathons: Not ready to partner for a year, yet?

Headline partner

Co-branded hackathon with highest visibility, challenge & keynote

- “Powered by” name sponsoring for event
- 5’ keynote
- Custom challenge
- Up to 10 jury spots
- 500 participants CVs
- Hub access for 30 pax
- Provide your API

Challenge

Your challenge in the hackathon tackled by 100+ AI talents

- Logo placement on our website and socials
- Custom challenge
- Up to 3 jury spots
- Challenge participant CVs
- Hub access for 30 pax
- Provide your API

Keynote

Share a keynote in-person, streamed live across all hubs

- Logo placement on our website and socials
- 5 min keynote delivered live in one of our global hubs and streamed worldwide
- Hub access for 10 pax

API Partner

Provide us with your product/ API & have hackers build prototypes

- Logo placement on our website and socials
- Provide your product/ API for our hackers to use during the hack

Access & Brand

Have your logo placed and join us in the hackathon

- Logo placement on our website and socials
- Hub access for 3 pax

Venture Lab: Not ready to partner for a year, yet?

Headline partner

Co-branded Venture Lab with access to all events and no scout fee

- “Powered by” name sponsoring
- 5’ keynote and a virtual workshop (60 mins)
- Access to kick-off, demo and investor day
- Provide teams with your product/ API
- No success fee for investments made

Workshop & keynote

Welcome our teams on kick-off day and conduct a workshop

- Logo placement on our website and socials
- 5’ keynote and a virtual workshop (60 mins)
- Access to kick-off, demo and investor day

API/ product

Push your product into the hands of companies that built on your API

- Logo placement on our website and socials
- Provide teams with your product/ API
- Access to kick-off, demo and investor day

Logo sponsor

Get access to the event and have your logo placed

- Logo placement on our website and socials
- Access to kick-off, demo and investor day

Invest into teams

Join our investor day, listen to pitches and invest into our teams

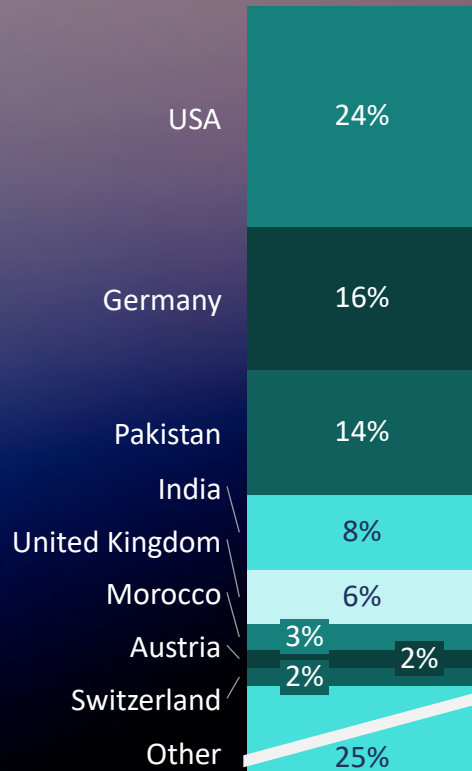
- Access to the investor day and pitch decks
- Free entry, but success fee if you choose to invest into one of our teams

Appendix

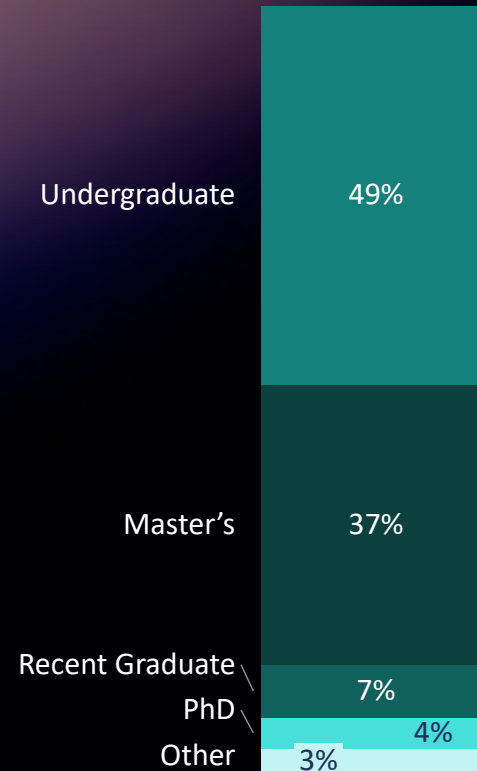


4th Hackathon | We've had over 3,000 high quality applications

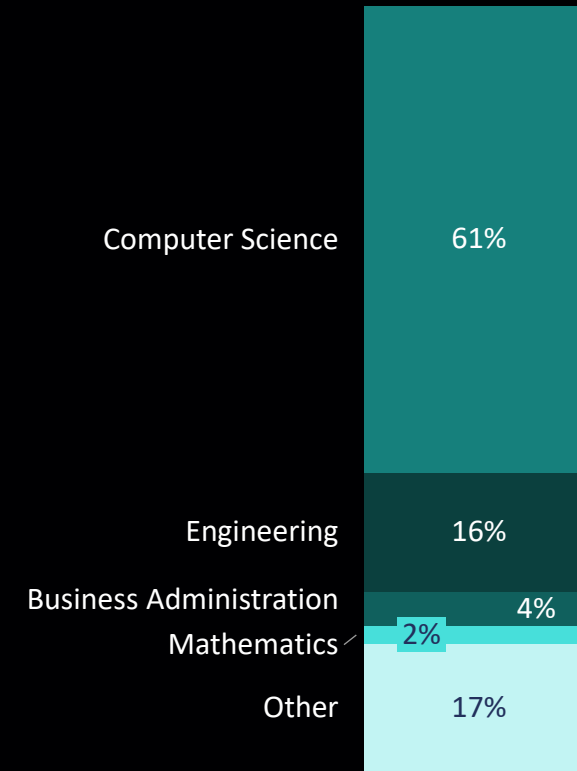
Participants by country



Participants by degree level



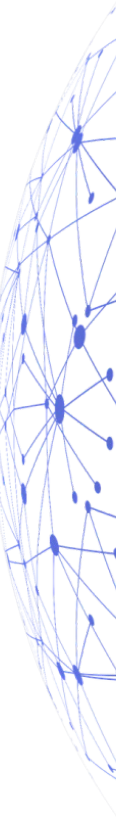
Participants by field of study



Our 170+ judges from MIT, Harvard, big tech & more, judge our 400+ submissions per hackathon...



...and connect in-person or virtually



Join us in one of 4 hackathons & venture tracks

Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2027 Jan
Hackathons													
Schedule		◆ Feb. 7-8		◆ Apr. 25/26			◆ Jul. 18/19			◆ Oct. 3/4			
Venture tracks													
Feb-cohort			○ 28 Mar		● 8 May								
May-cohort						○ 6 Jun		● 31 Jul					
Jul-cohort								○ 29 Aug		● 25 Sep			
Oct-cohort											○ 21 Nov		● 8 Jan
Events													
Conferences		MIT Sloan AI Feb 6-7	India AI Summit Feb 16-20			World Bank Youth Summit Jun. 11-12		German-American Conference Oct. 09-11		MIT AI Conference Oct. 17-18	Mozilla festival Nov. 6-7		

Hackathons

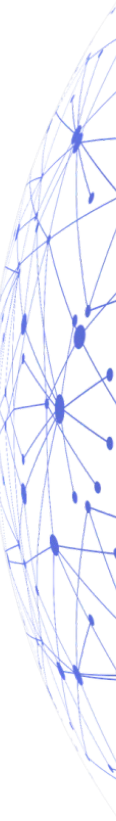
- ◆ Two-day events (Sat-Sun)
- Rolling application
- Virtual and in-person

Venture tracks

- Top 30 teams by hackathon
- Demo Day: present to peers, mentors and coaches
- Investor Day: present to VCs & angels to secure pre-seed ticket

Conferences

- Key conferences with Hack-Nation involvement
- Opportunity for select venture track participants to be invited to pitch/ present



Our core team



Kai N. Wiederhold
CEO, Co-Founder

*5+ years experience in AI @ BCG
Built and scaled XM€+ venture*



Linn Bieske
Lead AI Track, MIT CNC

*6+ years experience in AI research,
consulting and moonshot building*



Nico Fröhlich
Head of Technology



Dennis Schmid
Head of Partnerships



Malaika Stöckl
Head of Social Media



Noah-Leon Rappl
Head of Programs and
Community



Alexander Spreckelsen
Venture Lab Staff



Michael Bösch
Co-Head Venture Lab



David Plügge
Chief of Staff



Simon Tautz
G2M



Philipp Luger
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