

# FAQ

## **I don't know what a hackathon is ?**

A coding marathon: twenty years ago , the NSA secretly gathered - for just a few days - the best US hackers to undermine its computer security systems and analyze breaches. Today, hackathons help accelerate technology development by gathering in a very short time developers, startupper , engineers, designers ...

## **Please, tell me more about the challenge ?**

Everything begins Tuesday, October 22 at Le Paddock with a technical & Ideation Workshop to explore in more detail the issues and the data, and present your ideas. Then the adventure will take place from Friday, November 6 to Sunday, November 8, at Paddock also . After the hackathon, you will present your projects and the jury will select the winners on Sunday night. For details, refer to the agenda.

## **Why is it an opportunity to participate?**

To expand its network, win prizes, exchange with experts, benefit from the support of a large group , be coached by specialized engineers, and most importantly, have the opportunity to go on incubation to turn an idea into operational reality . A fun weekend and unique encounters !

## **Who can participate?**

The event is open to all. Whatever your profile, or your skills, you can take part in the challenge as a team.

## **Until when can I register?**

Until the day of the event, November 6, 2015.

## **If I can not participate , do I also come as a spectator on the hackathon ?**

Absolutely, you are welcome to attend the final demos on Sunday, November 8 at 16h and see what was developed during the two days.

## **Is there a limit of participants?**

The limit is set on the place accommodation capacities

## **Is participation in the workshop compulsory?**

No, but it is highly recommended : the opportunity for you to meet experts to train you to the technologies used to explore the data available, and present your ideas to the others . You can benefit from coaching tips that could be the keys to your success!

### **What kind of idea can we develop ?**

All ideas are welcome from the moment they fall into the thematic and meet the challenges posed.

### **How many members can hold a team?**

A team can contain 1 to 8 members.

### **What equipment do I have to bring to the hackathon?**

Bring your laptop, shelves, everything you might need; there will be no on-site equipment loan. However, you will have access on site, in limited quantities, to hardwares ( Arduino , smartwatches ... )

### **Can we spend the night at the hackathon ?**

Yes, the Paddock will stay open all night.

### **Are food and drinks provided?**

Exactly : drinks, breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks are provided during all the weekend.

### **What about property code, design, hardware ?**

You will naturally keep all the rights of what you create during the hackathon and the challenge. You can find the Terms&Conditions of the hackathon [Here](#).

### **How are the teams set up ?**

Once all the ideas have been presented on Friday evening, teams are constituted freely on affinities around a project.