## Airbnb Take Home Challenge

A new city manager for Airbnb has started in Dublin and wants to better understand a) what guests are searching for in Dublin and b) which inquiries hosts tend to accept. Based on the findings the new city manager will try to boost the number and quality of hosts in Dublin to fit the demands from guests.

The goal of this assignment is to **analyze**, **understand**, **visualize**, and **communicate** the demand / supply in the market. For example you may want to look at the breakdown of start date day of the week, or number of nights, or room type that is searched for, and how many hosts accepted the reservation. In particular, we are interested in:

- 1.what the gaps are between guest demand and host supply that the new city manager could plug to increase the number of bookings in Dublin.
- 2.what other data would be useful to have to deepen the analysis and understanding.

## You should:

- a) create a pdf presentation with relevant tables / graphs / visualizations to explain what you have learnt about the market. You are recommended to process data in SQL, create graphs in Excel, and build slides in Keynote/Powerpoint. But you are welcome to use any other software available,
- . b) attach a pdf of any code you produce, in its entirety, in addition to the slides,
- . c) spend no more than 3-6 hours on the assignment and produce a maximum of 15 slides.

Your assignment will be judged according to:

- . i) the aesthetics of your presentation,
- . ii) the analysis used including your graphs, tables, visualizations,
- . iii) the data decisions you made and the style of your coding/formulae,
- . iv) how well you completed the directions.

Attached are two artificial datasets:

**searches** - contains a row for each set of searches that a user does for Dublin.

- ds Date of the search.
- id user Alphanumeric user id.
- ds\_checkin Date stamp of the check-in date of the search.
- ds\_checkout Date stamp of the check-out date of the search.
- n\_searches Number of searches in the search set.
- n\_nights The number of nights the search was for.
- n\_guests\_min The minimum number of guests selected in a search set.
- n\_guests\_max The maximum number of guests selected in a search set.
- origin country The country the search was from.
- filter\_price\_min The value of the lower bound of the price filter, if the user used it.
- filter\_price\_max The value of the upper bound of the price filter, if the user used it.
- **filter\_room\_types** The room types that the user filtered by, if the user used the room\_types filter.
- filter\_neighborhoods The neighborhoods types that the user filtered by, if the user used the neighborhoods filter. contacts - contains a row for every time that an assigned visitor makes an inquiry for a stay in a listing in Dublin.

<sup>•</sup> **id\_guest** - Alphanumeric user\_id of the guest making the inquiry.

<sup>•</sup> **id\_host** - Alphanumeric user\_id of the host of the listing to which the inquiry is \_\_made.

- **id\_listing** Alphanumeric identifier for the listing to which the inquiry is made.
- **ts\_contact\_at** UTC timestamp of the moment the inquiry is made.
- **ts\_reply\_at** UTC timestamp of the moment the host replies to the inquiry, if \_\_so.
- **ts\_accepted\_at** UTC timestamp of the moment the host accepts the inquiry, \_\_if so.
- **ts\_booking\_at** UTC timestamp of the moment the booking is made, if so.
- ds\_checkin Date stamp of the check-in date of the inquiry.
- ds\_checkout Date stamp of the check-out date of the inquiry.
- n\_guests The number of guests the inquiry is for.
- n\_messages The total number of messages that were sent around this \_\_inquiry.