

AstroPreneur

Event Objective

AstroPreneur is a hackathon aimed at designing and prototyping an **AI-powered entrepreneurial assistant**. The challenge is to build an intelligent solution that supports entrepreneurs across the entire startup journey: from the spark of an idea to product launch and beyond. By leveraging the power of open-source LLMs, AI agents, and generative models, participants are encouraged to create tools that help transform concepts into market-ready solutions.

Functional Axes

Each team may choose to develop one or more parts of the entrepreneurial assistant. The challenge is divided into the following functional axes:

- Ideation & Concept Development
- Market Research & Analysis
- Product Design & Development
- Brand Identity & Positioning
- Business Model & Financial Planning
- Legal & Regulatory Compliance
- Marketing Strategy Development
- Sales Strategy & Channel Development
- Production & Operations Planning
- Go-to-Market Strategy & Launch

Expected Functional Outcomes

Ideation & Concept Development

- AI-supported brainstorming and idea generation.
- Systematic problem identification and validation.
- Conceptualization of solutions through creative methods.
- Initial feasibility assessment using structured frameworks.
- Iterative refinement based on market insights and feedback.

Market Research & Analysis

- Target market identification and segmentation.
- Competitive landscape analysis (direct and indirect competitors).
- Market size estimation based on industry data.
- Customer persona creation (behavioral and demographic).
- Trend analysis and forecasting of emerging opportunities.

Product Design & Development

- User-centered design using design thinking principles.
- Creation of low- and high-fidelity prototypes.
- Automated drafting of product requirement documents (PRDs).
- Tech stack recommendations and feasibility assessment.
- Iterative design improvements through AI-powered simulations.

Brand Identity & Positioning

- Development of brand assets (logo, color schemes, typography).
- Clear definition of brand voice and storytelling.
- Positioning strategy against competitors.
- Generation of slogans, taglines, and digital assets via AI.

Business Model & Financial Planning

- Business model canvas generation.
- Cost structure and revenue stream mapping.
- Pricing strategy exploration and monetization options.
- Financial forecasting and break-even analysis.
- Scenario simulation for alternative business strategies.

Legal & Regulatory Compliance

- Guidance on intellectual property and data privacy.
- Drafting of NDAs, partnership agreements, and contracts.
- Compliance with relevant regulations (e.g., GDPR).
- Risk identification and legal checklists for startups.

Marketing Strategy Development

- Comprehensive marketing roadmap creation.
- Support for SEO, content, and digital campaigns.
- Social media and influencer outreach strategies.
- KPI tracking (CAC, conversion rates, engagement).

Sales Strategy & Channel Development

- Funnel design and customer acquisition methods.
- Distribution and partnership strategy planning.
- AI-assisted sales pitch generation and lead nurturing.
- Integration of CRM strategies for growth.

Production & Operations Planning

- Workflow and process planning.
- Lean and agile development cycles.
- Vendor and supply chain management (for physical products).
- Quality control and cost efficiency recommendations.

Go-to-Market Strategy & Launch

- Launch playbook creation and pre-launch buzz building.
- Beta testing and iterative feedback collection.
- Cross-functional coordination across product, sales, and marketing.
- Measurement of launch success via adoption and retention metrics.

Technical Constraints

- Use of generative AI models (text, image, video, etc.).
- Only open-source or free models, APIs, and LLMs are allowed.
- UI/UX must be designed with Figma, Adobe XD, or web prototypes.
- Pre-existing code/templates may be used if declared and adapted.
- Open-source datasets or self-created datasets must be used.
- Any web scraping must comply with source terms of service.

Deliverables

- Commented source code.
- Technical documentation (README).
- Final presentation and demo (5 minutes).

Event Agenda

Day 1 – Kickoff & Development

- Opening ceremony and challenge briefing.
- Keynote: AI for Entrepreneurship.
- Team formation and brainstorming.
- Selection of functional axes.
- Start of development with mentor guidance.
- Evening checkpoint and feedback session.

Day 2 – Finalization & Pitching

- Prototype refinement and preparation.
- Pitch training and mentoring sessions.
- Submission of code and documentation.
- Final presentations and 5-minute live demos.
- Jury deliberation and announcement of winners.
- Closing ceremony.

Evaluation Criteria

- Innovation & Creativity – 20%
- Technical Implementation – 20%
- Business Relevance – 20%
- Design & User Experience – 15%
- Pitch & Presentation – 15%
- Collaboration & Documentation – 10%

Optional: Bonus and Extensions

- **Sustainability Bonus:** alignment with SDGs or eco-friendly practices.
- **Cross-Functional Bonus:** covering multiple functional axes.
- **Integration Bonus:** creative use of APIs or open-source models.
- **Scalability Bonus:** demonstration of global scalability.
- **Community Impact Bonus:** solutions with tangible societal benefits.