PolicyForge: Rules & Guidelines

General Guidelines

1. Team Size:

- Participants must register in teams of 4 members.
- o Individual participants can request team matching before the event.

2. Eligibility:

- No coding experience required, Open to students, professionals, and enthusiasts from any background (tech, law, policy, design, etc.).
- Basic understanding of AI governance concepts, ethical AI frameworks, and regulatory discussions.
- o Familiarity with Al risks, including bias, misinformation, and security concerns.

3. Code of Conduct:

- Respect all participants, mentors, and judges.
- Plagiarism or inappropriate conduct will lead to disqualification.
- Collaboration is encouraged—misconduct is not.

Phase 1: Al Governance Workshop

- This is a **non-competitive**, learning-focused session.
- Participants are encouraged to attend to better understand policy frameworks and real-world challenges.
- Materials from the workshop may assist in Phase 2.

Phase 2: Al Policy Hackathon (Core Event)

Round 1: Problem Release & Brainstorming

- Problem statements will be released at the start of this round.
- Teams may brainstorm using any research tools and materials.

Round 2: Policy Drafting

- Teams must submit a written policy brief (max 4 pages) addressing:
 - The problem and its context
 - Proposed policy/regulatory solution
 - Ethical, legal, and technical considerations
- Citations and sources are encouraged for credibility.

Round 3: Judging & Showcase

- Top teams will present their solutions (5–7 min pitch + 3 min Q&A).
- Judging Criteria:
 - o Impact: How significant is the solution?
 - Feasibility: Can it be implemented?
 - Innovation: Is it original and insightful?
 - Clarity: Is the proposal well-articulated?
- **Judging Panel:** 3 expert judges + 1 surprise guest judge
- Audience Vote: Live voting using OpenCV tech will count crowd support toward a People's Choice Award

Technical & Submission Notes

- Submissions must be in PDF format. Templates will be shared.
- All content must be original. External tools may be used, but must be credited.
- Teams must submit all materials by the stated deadline.