General Information:

The UQ Algo-Jam 2024 is a rigorous digital trading competition that emphasizes integrity, creativity, and collaboration. Participants are expected to adhere to the highest standards of academic honesty, ensuring that all submissions are the original work of the team members. The use of approved resources and tools is encouraged to develop innovative trading algorithms, while any form of cheating, plagiarism, or unethical behaviour will result in immediate disqualification.

Submission:

Submissions must be made by 6:00 PM on Sunday evening, following the outlined format and guidelines provided at the event launch. Participants should ensure that their team submits the algorithm.py file with their solution, and any documentation necessary for evaluation. It is recommended to submit well before the deadline to avoid any last-minute issues. If you encounter problems, promptly inform a member of the executive team.

Please email your submissions to technology@uqfintech.org before 6.00PM Sunday.

If multiple submissions are received, the newest will be used for testing unless otherwise specified by the submitting team.

Deadlines:

The final submission deadline is 6:00 PM on Sunday. Late submissions will incur a penalty of 5% for every 10 minutes past the deadline, deducted from the final score. Submissions received after 6:30 PM will not be accepted or considered for evaluation.

Scoring and Adjudication:

Submissions will be assessed based on the total profit accrued across the 365 days of unseen data. The evaluation will consider the technical execution of the proposed solutions, if the profit-based evaluation is insufficient to determine a clear winning solution. Approved Python libraries such as NumPy, Matplotlib, and SciPy, alongside the standard python libraries, are allowed. Participants should limit their use to the primary libraries specified, but requests to the UQ Fintech executive team for specific libraries may be accommodated. The judges' decisions are final and will be based on predetermined criteria announced during the event.

Disqualification:

Any team found engaging in unethical practices, including but not limited to plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, or manipulation of data, will be disqualified from the competition. Usage of any unauthorised libraries is also prohibited (libraries must be formally authorised over email by address technology@uqfintech.org). It is crucial to maintain academic integrity throughout the event to ensure a fair and competitive environment for all participants.