

25 - 27 October 2024

#### Hackathon MC: Karabo Mohale

#### **Problem Statements**

- **Bridging the Digital Divide in Education** Many South African learners, especially in rural areas, lack access to digital tools, reliable internet, and e-learning resources. How can we create affordable and scalable digital solutions that ensure equitable access to quality education for all students, regardless of their location?
- **Ehancing Financial Inclusion for Small Businesses** Many small and micro businesses, particularly in townships and informal settlements, struggle with access to financial services, funding, and banking solutions. How can we develop innovative fintech solutions that empower small businesses to thrive by providing them with financial access, literacy, and tools for growth?
- Addressing Unemployment through Skills Development South Africa has one of the highest youth unemployment rates globally, with a skills mismatch between education and industry needs. How can we design solutions that connect young people with the necessary technical and vocational training, mentorship, and employment opportunities to reduce unemployment and drive economic participation?
- Improving Healthcare Access in Underserved Communities Many South Africans in rural and underprivileged areas face limited access to essential healthcare services, leading to poor health outcomes. What innovative, tech-driven solutions can we develop to ensure that people in these communities have access to affordable and quality healthcare services, including telemedicine, mobile health clinics, and preventive care?
- **Reducing Food Waste and Improving Food Security** While food waste is a significant problem in South Africa, many people face hunger and malnutrition. How can we create sustainable solutions that minimize food waste in the supply chain, promote food redistribution, and improve food security for vulnerable populations, ensuring access to nutritious food?

Up to 20 mentors from the industry have been brought on board to assist the teams in the development of the apps.

#### **Hackathon Synopsis**

- Participants will be required to check-in onto the hackathon to indicate how they are coding and share photos of their workspace on social media
- Gifts and prizes will be delivered to homes of randomly selected participants
- Live online sessions will provide updates to the participants from time to time on key information to knowTeams will work throughout the weekend in developing their apps against the problem statements of the hackathon
- Mentors will assist the participants throughout the weekend through the hackathon platform and Teams

#### **Post Hackathon**

- A social drive will encourage participants / teams to submit their apps through a guided mechanism
- Posters bearing "Just Submitted" will be given to participants to post after the submission of their apps

#### **Streaming platforms**

- App of the Year Website (www.appoftheyear.co.za)
- App of the Year Facebook & LinkedIn pages



# Day 1: Friday, 25 October 2024

Time	Activity	Lead	Description / Notes			
06:00 - 10:00	Check in and networking	All participants	A link will be provided for participants to check in and indicate readiness for participation			
LIVE: 11:00 - Hackathon welcome and briefing will be done with all the participants of the Hackathon						
WATCH LIVE: www.appoftheyear.co.za & AOTY Facebook & LinkedIn						
11:00 - 11:10	Opening	Karabo Mohale - MC	Hackathon context setting and rules of engagement			
11:05 - 11:20	Winning AOTY 2012 and the journey since	Hivanish Naidoo - FNB Thapelo Bambo - FNB	The FNB Team that won the first App of the Year Awards			
11:20 - 11:40	The importance of building. Building an app, an ecosystem and community	Freddy Mahhumane – CEO, Kasi D				
11:40 - 11:45	It's a hackathon!	Skinny	Entertainment piece			
11:45 - 11:50	How this hackathon made me create Guardian Health	<b>Tsitsi Marote –</b> Founder, Guardian Health	Video			
11:50 - 12:15	What The Hack?	MC & Tiyani Ngonyama – COO, Geekulcha	Outline of the hackathon schedule and how the process will go; Walkthrough of the backend system			
12:15 - 12:30	Presentation of the problem statements	Karabo Mohale - MC Sizwe Zim - MD, Creative Space Media	Inputs and guidance onto the app development			
12:30 - 12:45	Online QnA	MC and participants	Addressing any inquiries			
12:45 - 13:00	How can we help you?	Omelele Mmbo - Business Development Head, FNB	Product placement for physical and online attendees			
13:00 - 13:05	Run it back	Skinny	Entertainment piece			
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch for physical attendees	Physical Teams				
Virtual hackathon officially commences						
14:00 - 20:00	Hack-away	Teams	Working with assistance from the mentors			
20:00 - 23:59	Deadline to sign up the teams on the website	Teams	Teams must use: www.appoftheyear.co.za/hackathon			
23:59 - 00:00	Day one closes	Everyone	Calling it a day			

## **Programme**



## Day 2: Saturday, 26 October 2024

Time	Activity	Lead	Description / Notes
04:00 - 07:00	Snaps of sunrise from own location	Everyone	Share and post with #FNBAOTYHackathon
09:00 - 09:30	LIVE: Hackathon Check-In Session	Karabo Mohale - MC Xolani Ndlovu - Personal Trainer, Virgin Active	Hackathon update (Number of Teams participating, recap of Day 1, recap of process)     Exercise session
09:30 - 09:45	What makes a brilliant app?	Xirimbi Baloyi – Senior Product Manager, App Developer Studios	Presentation from an app development company on what makes an outstanding app
09:45 - 10:15	Panel discussion Turning your app into a viable tech business.	<ul> <li>Karabo Mohale - MC</li> <li>Mukundi Lambani -         Founder, Ambani Africa</li> <li>Lesego Finger - Founder,         Matric Live</li> <li>Mukondleteri Dumela -         Founder, Angula</li> <li>Siphiwe Radebe -         Previous Hackathon         Winner</li> </ul>	
10:15 - 10:30	Day 2 closing	Karabo Mohale - MC	Wrap up of day 2, encouragement going forward and punting the MS Teams session with Sizwe Zim
10:30 - 14:00	Hack-away	Teams	Working with assistance from the mentors
14:00 - 17:00	Hackathon War Rooms	Teams and mentors	One team at a time - checking if teams are still within the scope of the hackathon
17:00 - 19:00	Hack-away	Teams	Working with assistance from the mentors
19:00 - 20:00	#FNBVibes – Chill out zone with CSM (MS Teams)	Sizwe Zim	Chilled vibes of music and inspirational chats about dreams and visions.
20:00 - 23:59	Hack-away	Teams	Working with assistance from the mentors

Live broadcast
No broadcast
Strictly MS Teams



### Day 3: Sunday, 27 October 2024

Time	Activity	Lead	Description / Notes
04:00 - 07:00	Snaps of sunrise from own location	Everyone	Share and post with #FNBAOTYHackathon
09:00 - 09:30	<b>LIVE:</b> State of the Hackathon Address	• Karabo Mohale – MC • Xolani Ndlovu – Personal Trainer, Virgin Active	Hackathon update     Exercise session
09:30 - 10:15	Business Modelling 101 for tech businesses	• Mixo Ngoveni – CEO of Geekulcha • Dominique Collette – Alpha Code	
10:15 - 10:30	The next steps and submission guidelines	• Tiyani Ngonyama – COO, Geekulcha	Seeking advices, finishing off and submitting your app
10:30 - 11:00	Closing address	• Sizwe Zim – MD, CSM	
11:00 - 23:59	Hack-away and submissions	Teams	Working with assistance from the mentors

