

Press Release

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The Idiap Research Institute Opens Registrations for the 14th Edition of the Idiap Create Challenge, Its 9-Day AI Hackathon.

The Idiap Research Institute announces the opening of registrations for the 14th edition of the Idiap Create Challenge, a nine-day hackathon dedicated to artificial intelligence. This unique event, in partnership with The Ark Foundation, will take place from August 21 to August 29, 2025, at the Centre du Parc, located at Rue Marconi 19 in Martigny, within the Institute premises.

The Idiap Create Challenge is designed to foster innovation and entrepreneurship in the field of artificial intelligence (AI). Selected participants will have the opportunity to develop functional prototypes in small teams, guided by mentors from Idiap and external experts. Throughout the nine days, they will benefit from targeted training sessions covering various topics, including the legal aspects of AI, how to prepare a compelling pitch, and inspiring talks from industry experts. Networking opportunities and social events with past winners and external companies will also be organized.

At the end of the event, teams will present their projects to a jury of technical and business experts. The most promising projects may receive support for startup creation.

This year, Idiap is offering the opportunity for anyone interested to meet the talented hackathon participants, explore their economic potential, and connect with Idiap's expert staff through the "Aspiring CEO" role. Additionally, applications are open for those who wish to become mentors, whether they have technical, marketing, or both types of expertise. Supporting this innovation event as a sponsor is also an opportunity not to be missed, to show commitment in AI innovation and supporting a leading Swiss Research institute.

For more information and to submit your application, visit the official Idiap website.

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About

The Idiap Research Institute, located in Martigny, Switzerland, is a Swiss and world leader in artificial intelligence since 1991. With almost 200 employees, the institute is specialized in several fields of AI, organized into four research programs: Human-AI Teaming, AI for Life, AI for All, and Resilient & Sustainable Societies. In addition to its cutting-edge research, Idiap actively participates in local, national, and international projects, fosters collaborations with companies, and drives continuous innovation in the field.