WEBINAR

UN Big Data Hackathon
Pre-Hackathon Webinar
The 2022 UN Big Data Hackathon in numbers...

- 4 days
- 60+ countries
- 450+ teams
- 1000+ participants
2022 Theme

Using Big Data and Data Science to develop ideas and solutions to address Global Challenges and help achieve Sustainable Development Goals; notably to support policies caused by:

- The disruption to Global Value Chains and Economic Globalization due to disasters, conflicts, restrictions, blockages
- The impact of Climate Change on society as part of monitoring SDG 13
- The rise of food and energy prices affecting vicious cycles of poverty, hunger, and inequalities
Platform introduction: AWS

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What should I do during the hackathon? (1/3)
Examples of guiding questions

- Given disasters, conflict/war, restrictions, and blockage, how can big data be utilized to measure the impact of such disruption? For example, what was the cost to the shipping companies/customers when the Suez canal was blocked?

- What are the impacts of the drying up of rivers around the world (i.e., Yangtze River, Colorado River, Rhine River) on the economy, environment, and society?

- How to monitor vulnerable countries that depend on imports for their food security considering the increase in prices and supply limit due to widespread restrictions on export?
What should I do during the hackathon? (2/3)

Deliverables

Hackathon = hack your way to an analytical solution that addresses the impact on SDGs of disasters, climate change and/or rise of energy/food prices

A reference database with various datasets related to the theme will be provided. You can also use any public dataset even if it is not provided in the database.

In line with the theme, you should leverage data analysis/big data to develop the prototype of a data product such as:

- Analytical reports
- Interactive dashboards with enhanced visuals
- Advanced Machine Learning models
Teams must submit:

1. Presentation explaining their solution (free format).
2. Video with maximum length of 10 minutes = voice-over of the presentation.
3. Coding scripts.

If one of these deliverables is missing, the team will get a penalty.
Example 1: BlueCarbon, overall winning team of the 2020 AIS Hackathon
Using the AIS data provided by the UN Global Pulse platform, the team geographically distributed CO2 emissions from shipping based on individual vessel locations and activity using a Machine Learning Model. They subsequently developed an interactive dashboard to map these emission distributions for different time periods.

Reference: BlueCarbon’s presentation video
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qmybyzV5R8A
Example 2: DogCat, student winning team of the 2020 AIS Hackathon

Using the AIS data provided by the UN Global Pulse platform, the team analyzed the impact of COVID-19 on three major sectors: commodities, bulk carriers and trade countries.

**Topic**: The difference in the impact of COVID-19 to container shipping

**Motivation**

Is there any difference in the impact of COVID-19?

- e.g.) Deployed vessels becomes smaller by the low demand

**Objective**

To measure the difference in the impact of COVID-19 to several factors

**Target**

- Data: Arrival data on AIS data
- Ship: Container ship
- Port: Busan, Qingdao, Yantian, Shanghai, Xiamen, Hong Kong, Los Angeles
- Term: 2019/01/08 - 04/23
  - 2020/01/08 - 04/22
- Factor: Shipping Alliance and Vessel size

Reference: DogCat’s presentation video

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Youth Track
Examples of outputs

Example 1:
Reports providing detailed statistical analysis or data correlations between different datasets

UN Youth Hackathon projects (sample):
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Example 2:
Interactive dashboard with enhanced analytical visuals

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Example 3: Advanced Machine Learning Models

Team Sustainability, overall winner

Data Rockstars
**UNBDH Timeline**

- **Workshop with Earth Hacks**: November 4, 8 am EST
- **Kick-off**: November 8, 3 am EST
- **#Hack**: November 9 & 10
- **Proposal submission**: November 11, 1 am EST

- **Access to the databases will be granted starting from November 8th at 2:00 PM Yogyakarta Time (UTC+7).**
- **Proposals must be submitted on November 11th at 2:00 PM Yogyakarta Time (UTC+7).**

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WINNERS ANNOUNCED - December 15
Earth Hacks Responsible Innovation Workshop

The workshop will follow the themes of responsible innovation, innovation and the climate crisis, technosolutionism, and innovation culture.

Designed to help teams create a better solution in line with the theme.

RESPONSIBLE INNOVATION IN THE CLIMATE CRISIS

November 4, 8am EST
Communication Platform >> SLACK

General channels
- Channel “announcements”: countdown, important information...
- Channel “data”: share useful data insights or link to newly found public datasets.
- Find the channel “technical-issues” to seek technical support related to platform access
- Ask any questions that doesn't go into the other categories in the “submission-questions”
- Relax and get to know other participants in the “lounge” channel

Regional channels
- You will be added to a private regional channel to get to know teams from your region

Big data experts channel
- Big data experts can communicate and share insights on this channel

Teams can create a private channel to have a collaborative work.

*Teams can support each other through Slack at any time. The UNBDH Mentors from different regions will support teams on SLACK and will be available between 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM for each respective time zone.*
Platform introduction: UNGP AIS

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Platform introduction: ArcGIS

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## Judging Criteria

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*This criteria is for separate prizes Best presentation and best visualization

### Penalty
- Did the team submit codes, slides, video?
- Did the team use private data in the project?
- Did the big data expert team use big data?
**Last advice**

1. Have a good communication strategy with your team!
2. Start populating the slides as you go; don’t leave it for the last day!
3. Manage your time carefully: 4 days is a short amount of time
4. Divide and conquer: each team member shall work on different tasks and sync regularly so you can get the best results
5. If you’re stuck, don’t stop: reach out to us and mentors on SLACK or by email! Finishing is better than abandoning :(
Q&A

Do you have additional questions?

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