



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS —

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **WHAT IS THE DATATHON 2023, KENYAN CHAPTER?**

The Datathon 2023 is a month-long virtual event where teams of data scientists, Students, corporates and other subject matter experts come together to develop meaning insights leveraging existing datasets to influence policy and decision marking in the public and private sector.

#### **WHERE IS THE DATATHON TAKING PLACE?**

Datathon 2023, Kenyan chapter is a hybrid event. Teams will work together throughout the month-long event using tools such as Github, Zoom, Google Drive, and/or Slack. The first two phases will be online and the final challenge and awarding ceremony will be physical at Moringa School.

#### **WHEN WILL THE CHALLENGE TAKE PLACE?**

The virtual datathon will take place between the dates 21<sup>st</sup> September and 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2023. The physical challenge will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 (tentatively)

#### **HOW MUCH TIME DO I NEED TO COMMIT?**

Since the goal is to rapidly develop meaningful insights on the current crisis, participants should expect to commit at least 3-5 hours per day for the duration of the event. Participants do not need to be available 24/7 for the duration of the event but should communicate their availability to team members.

#### **WHAT DO WINNING TEAMS GET?**

Winning teams will receive sponsorships, internships, attachments, free training, organizational support and direct access to key partners to further develop, validate and implement solutions developed.

#### **WHO OWNS THE PRODUCT/SOLUTIONS TEAMS CREATE?**

In an effort to expedite the development and implementation of solutions developed in this event, all products and solutions developed in this event will be subject to the terms below:

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#### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?**

Students and professionals with data science experience and or data analytics knowledge are encouraged to participate. Participants should be knowledgeable in at least one data analytics tool.

#### **DO I HAVE TO BE A UNIVERSITY STUDENT TO PARTICIPATE?**

No! Participants do not need to be necessarily enrolled in a university to participate

#### **HOW ARE TEAMS FORMED?**

Participants will work together in teams of 1-3 members. Teams will be formed originally upon registration. When need be, single individuals may need to be merged to foster collaboration and team work.

#### **DO I NEED TO COME WITH AN RESEARCH QUESTION?**

All challenges will be provided will be provided by the organizing team.

#### **WHAT TOOLS/RESOURCES WILL BE PROVIDED?**

Teams will be connected with technical resources, data sets, developer platforms and experienced mentors throughout the challenge to help them create, iterate, build, and develop solutions as quickly as possible.

#### **WILL YOU BE PROVIDING CERTIFICATES TO PARTICIPANTS?**

Certificates will be provided to all registered participants.

#### **WHAT IS EXPECTED OF MENTORS?**

Mentors will be assigned different teams to work with based on their experience and expertise.

#### **WHAT IF I HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN ANSWERED?**

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