ASU/Devex World Hackathon

Arizona State University, in partnership with Devex, is hosting a global hackathon! Based on the model created by the PLuS Alliance with support from Devils Invent, this multi-university hackathon will call upon students to create solutions to real world development problems. Hackathons will be held by universities from across the globe, and winning student teams will have a chance to showcase their solutions and compete for prizes at Devex World, the flagship event of Devex. Speakers and attendees include leaders of major global development organizations, technologists, philanthropists, investors, practitioners, and prominent individuals of all kinds.

The winning teams from each university will compete in the 5 challenge areas against other global universities who have also submitted solutions. The submissions will be evaluated by our panel of judges who are experts in the challenge areas. Judging criteria includes: the technical performance of the solution, the project feasibility, the local context, the innovation and viability of the solution and the overall presentation.

Hackathon – How it works
- Each university holds a Hackathon responding to one or more of 5 identified challenge questions
- University will submit a video of students presenting their winning solution(s) (universities can submit up to one video in each of the challenge areas)
- Winning proposal will be judged by a panel of experts in each problem area
- Winning teams will be awarded and have a chance to showcase their solution through an interview by Devex that will be shown at Devex World
- Videos will be submitted by November 20th, universities are encouraged to host their hackathon by November 6th to give winning student team ample time to create a video of their solution

Benefits to universities and students – Why universities should participate
- Showcase student effort to international audience
- Elevate solutions to global audience
- Highlight university efforts in tackling global development problems
- Enhance student global networks

Hackathon Timeline:

October 31	Deadline for registration
November 9	Recommended deadline for hackathon completion
November 20	University video submission deadline
November 27	Determine Winners
November 29 - December 8	Devex Interviews with hackathon winners
December 10	Devex World