

MICROSOFT CANADA INC.

Microsoft Youth Hackathon at Energy Disruptors: UNITE 2024

OFFICIAL COMPETITION RULES

- ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible, you must be a legal resident of Canada (excluding Quebec) and have reached the age of majority in your province or territory of residence at the time of entry and be in attendance at Energy Disruptors: UNITE 2024 taking place at the BMO Centre in Calgary, Alberta located at 20 Roundup Way SW, Calgary, AB T2G 2W1, Canada on October 1- 2, 2024. (the “Event”). You are not eligible if you are: (a) an employee or contingent staff of Microsoft Corporation or Microsoft Canada Inc. (together, “Microsoft” or “Sponsors”), their affiliated companies, advertising agencies, prize suppliers or other representatives involved in any part of the administration and execution of this Competition; or, (b) a member of the immediate family of any of the above persons. “Immediate family” is defined as parents, siblings, children, spouse or common law partner regardless of where they live. In addition, Microsoft is committed to complying with government gift and ethics rules and therefore government employees are not eligible to participate.
- HOW TO ENTER: NO PURCHASE NECESSARY.** The Competition will be held on Tuesday October 1, 2024 beginning at 8:00am Mountain Time (MT) and ending at 5:00pmMT (the “Competition Period”). Event attendees will be required to follow the instructions of Microsoft representatives at the Event and develop solutions leveraging the theme "transforming the future of energy infrastructure," focusing on the sub-categories of policy, technology, and social impact. Event attendees will participate as a group (“Group”) and may only submit one (1) App entry (“Entry”). A Group consists of a minimum of two (2) up to a maximum of five (5) eligible Event attendees. All Entries must be submitted to the judging panel at BMO Centre in Calgary, Alberta located at 20 Roundup Way SW, Calgary, AB T2G 2W1, Canada by the end of the Competition Period.
- PRIZES:** There are **three (3)** prizes available to be won.

Place	Prize*	Number Available	Maximum Approximate Retail value
1 st Place	Up to Five (5) Surface Laptop Go 3 i5/8GB/256GB Platinum (one per team member) (\$1,099.99 ea)	1	\$5,499.95 CAD
2 nd Place	Up to Five (5) Xbox Series S Console (one per team member) (\$379.99 ea)	1	\$1,899.95 CAD
3 rd Place	Up to Five (5) Xbox Game Pass Core 12 Month (Global) (one per team member) (\$74.99 ea)	1	\$374.95 CAD

*A maximum of five (5) items per prize level will be awarded per winning Team with a maximum of one (1) item per Team Member. If a Team consists of less than five (5) members, the Team will be awarded one (1) laptop, console or pass, as the case may be, to allocate one (1) item per Team Member.

Any costs or expenses not specifically identified here as included are the responsibility of the winner. Limit: one (1) prize per person. Prizes are not transferable and must be accepted as awarded with no substitutions, whether in cash or otherwise, except at Sponsors' sole discretion. Sponsors reserve the right to substitute a prize of equivalent value if a prize cannot be awarded as described for any reason. Prizes will only be delivered to the verified winners. Please allow eight (8) weeks for delivery. Return of any prize/prize notification as undeliverable may result in disqualification and selection of an alternate winner.

4. **WINNER SELECTION:** Beginning at approximately 11:00 AM MT on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at the Event, a panel of judges will review the Entries and score them based on the following criteria ("Judging Criteria"):

Criteria	Description
Relevance to Theme (15%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alignment with Theme: How well does the project address the theme "Transforming the Future of Energy Infrastructure"?• Focus on Sub-Categories: Does the project effectively target one or more of the sub-categories: policy, technology, and social impact?
Innovation & Creativity (20%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Novelty: How original is the idea? Does it introduce a new concept or approach to existing challenges in energy infrastructure?• Creativity in Execution: How creatively has the team approached the problem? Does the solution push the boundaries of conventional thinking?
Feasibility & Scalability (20%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practicality: How realistic is the solution? Can it be implemented with the current or near-future resources and technology?• Scalability: Can the solution be scaled to impact a larger population or broader geographical area?
Impact Potential (20%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social Impact: How does the solution contribute to societal well-being? Does it address equity, access, or other social challenges in energy infrastructure?• Environmental Impact: Does the solution contribute to sustainability and environmental conservation?• Economic Impact: What is the potential economic benefit or cost-effectiveness of the solution?
Technical Implementation (15%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technical Excellence: How well is the solution implemented from a technical standpoint? Does it demonstrate a strong understanding of the necessary technology?• Functionality: Does the solution work as intended? How robust and reliable is it?• Prototyping & Testing: Has the team created a prototype or conducted testing to validate their solution?
Presentation & Communication (10%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clarity: How clearly does the team present their idea? Is the problem, solution, and impact well-articulated?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engagement: How well does the team engage the judges and audience during the presentation?• Q&A Handling: How effectively does the team respond to questions and feedback from the judges?
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The Entry with the highest score will be eligible to win. The eligible winning group will be announced at approximately 1:00 PM MT on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at the Event. The odds of winning depend on the number of eligible Entries received and how they ranked in conjunction with one another based on the Judging Criteria. If the selected team is not present in its entirety, or otherwise does not meet all Competition requirements, the prize will be forfeited and may be awarded to an alternate team based on the same judging criteria.

5. **RELEASES:** By entering, you agree to release and hold harmless the Sponsors, their advertising and promotional agencies, the affiliates of the foregoing and all of their respective directors, officers, owners, partners, employees, agents, representatives, successors and assigns (collectively the "Releasees") from any liability in connection with this Competition or, should you be a winner, the Prize. Before being declared a winner, you will be required to sign, and return within the time stipulated in the documents, a Declaration of Compliance with the Competition Rules and a full Liability and Publicity Release. By accepting the prize, the winner consents to the use of their name, city and/or province of residence, photograph, voice, image, likeness, biographical information and information about the prize, for any publicity or programming purposes, commercial or otherwise, throughout the world in any and all media used by Microsoft and its advertising and promotional agencies in connection with the Competition, without payment or compensation. The personal information collected in connection with the administration of this Competition will be managed in accordance with Microsoft's privacy statement which is available at <http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=521839>.
6. **LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY:** Without limiting the release provided in Paragraph 5 above, and for greater certainty, Releasees will not be liable for: a) any incomplete or inaccurate information, whether caused by website users or by any equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the Competition, or by any technical or human error which may occur in the processing of entries; b) the theft, destruction or unauthorized access to, or alteration of, entries; c) any problems with, or technical malfunctions of, telephone networks or lines, computer on-line systems, servers or providers, computer equipment, software, viruses or bugs; d) any failure of any e-mail to be received by or from Sponsors for any reason including but not limited to traffic congestion on the Internet or at any website or combination thereof; or e) damage to a participant's or other person's system occasioned by participation or downloading of materials in this Competition.
7. **RIGHT TO TERMINATE, SUSPEND OR AMEND:** Sponsors reserve the right to terminate, suspend or amend this Competition, in whole or in part, at any time without prior notice, if any factor interferes with its proper conduct as contemplated by these Official Rules.
8. **MISCELLANEOUS:** Entrants who have not complied with these Official Rules are subject to disqualification from this Competition and any future Competition or other promotion conducted by Sponsors. All decisions of Sponsors and the Competition judging organization, as the case may be, are final and binding in all matters relating to this Competition. No correspondence will be entered into except with selected entrants. Competition is subject to all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws. Void where prohibited. If, as a result of an error relating to the entry process, drawing or any other aspect of the Competition, there are more potential winners of prizes

than contemplated in the Competition rules, there will be a random draw amongst all eligible prize claimants after the Competition closing date to award the prize.

In the event of a dispute regarding who submitted an online entry, the entry will be deemed submitted by the authorized account holder of the e-mail address submitted at the time of entry. "Authorized account holder" is defined as the natural person who is assigned to an e-mail address by an Internet access provider, online service provider or other organization that is responsible for assigning e-mail addresses for the domain associated with the submitted e-mail address. A selected entrant may be required to provide Sponsors with proof that he/she is the authorized account holder of the e-mail address associated with the selected entry.

Sponsors reserve the right at their sole discretion to disqualify, from this Competition and any future Competition or other promotion conducted by Sponsors, any individual that they find or believe to be tampering with the entry process or the operation of the Competition or Competition Website; to be acting in violation of the Official Rules or in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner, or with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten or harass any other person. ANY ATTEMPT BY AN ENTRANT OR ANY OTHER PERSON TO DELIBERATELY DAMAGE ANY WEBSITE OR UNDERMINE THE LEGITIMATE OPERATION OF THE COMPETITION IS A VIOLATION OF CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LAWS AND SHOULD SUCH AN ATTEMPT BE MADE, SPONSOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SEEK DAMAGES FROM ANY SUCH PERSON TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

9. **PRECEDENCE:** In the event of any discrepancy or inconsistency between these Official Rules and other statements contained in any Competition-related materials, including but not limited to the Competition entry form, point of sale, television, print or online advertising, these Official Rules shall prevail, govern and control.