







# RULES: LeADS' Innovation Challenge AI Act Compass: Navigating Requirements for High-Risk AI Systems





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# 1 THE COMPETITION: AI Act Compass: Navigating Requirements for High-Risk AI Systems

**The Innovation Challenge AI Act Compass: Navigating Requirements for High-Risk AI Systems** (hereinafter "Challenge") is a competition (held in ENGLISH) in the field of computer science, organised in the framework of the LeADS Project (GA 956562) by the LiderLab of the Scuola Superiore S. Anna in collaboration with and within the framework of the Internet Festival, with the aim of promoting innovative ideas in the field of LegalTech. The Innovation Challenge will focus on the recently adopted Artificial Intelligence Act of the European Parliament and will require participants to create a solution that helps understand and navigate its numerous legal and technical requirements.

Participation in the Challenge entails acceptance of the following terms and conditions, which constitute the rules for the event.

# 2 PROMOTERS

In the Framework of the Internet Festival 2024, the Challenge is organized by

LiderLab - Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, piazza Martiri della Libertà,33, Pisa PI), in the framework of H2020-ITN project "LeADS - Legality attentive data Scientists (Grant Agreement 956562)", Mail: pm@legalityattentivedatascientists.eu

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# 3 PARTICIPATION

## 3.1 Eligibility

The Challenge is an international competition open to a maximum 7 teams, each composed of a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 3 individuals who, at the time of application:

- Are between 18 and 28 years old on the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024 (when registration closes)
- Possess a valid identification document to be presented at the time of registration.
- Have accepted the regulations along with the terms of indemnity and the data protection policy.
- Have confirmed their participation once they have passed the selection phase.

In case of violation of the purposes, terms, and conditions of these Rules, or failure to meet one of the admission requirements, the Organisation, after appropriate verification, reserves the right to accept or exclude a participant and/or team.

To verify compliance with the Rules, the Organisation reserves the right to contact the registered participants and request a formal commitment to abide by the Rules by assuming responsibility for false statements (DPR 445/00).







## 3.2 Place and period

The Challenge is organized into an online phase and an in-person phase.

The in-person phase will take place on 10 October 2024 from 9 am to 6 pm at Officine Garibaldi, Via Gioberti 39, Pisa.

#### 3.3 Excluded Subjects

Persons who have family relationships with the members of the Jury, with the employees and collaborators of the Partner Universities of the LeADS project and of the SistemaToscana Foundation, as well as the employees and collaborators of the companies supplying the Internet Festival are excluded from participation in the Challenge.

The organization will carry out the appropriate checks and exclude participants who do not meet the admission requirements set out above.

# 4 HOW TO PARTECIPATE

#### 4.1 Teams Composition and Enrollment.

Seven teams will be admitted to the Challenge (which will be conducted in ENGLISH), selected from among those who have applied in ENGLISH by completing the online form available at <u>https://forms.office.com/e/jiDwEGfCPW</u> by11:00 PM CEST of 6 September 2024.

The participants should provide the following information:

- Team Name
- Team Composition (minimum 2 and maximum 3 members), for each member:
  - Name and Surname
  - Date of Birth
  - Food Intolerances
- Email Address of the Team Leader (contact Address)
- Link to a cloud folder (e.g., Google Drive, Dropbox, OneDrive, etc.) containing:
- Motivation Letter of the Team IN ENGLISH (Why they wish to participate and why they should be selected max 800 words)
- Concise CV IN ENGLISH (max 2 pages) for each team member

To participate in the event, through the registration the participants accept the terms and conditions of participation illustrated in these Rules.

## 4.2 Selection of Participating Teams

7 teams will be selected from the applications received at the sole discretion of the Jury.

Selection will be based on the CVs and the motivational letters received.

On 12 September 2024 at 12:00 CEST, the selection results will be sent to the contact email of the team leader. The selected teams will have 24 hours (by 12:00 on 13 September 2024) to confirm their participation.







#### 4.3 Final event – offline phase

From 16 September to 6 October 2024: During this phase, the 7 selected teams will work remotely

On 16 September at 9:00 AM CEST, they will receive:

- Detailed instructions on the Challenge
- The necessary documentation to solve the Challenge.

Following the requirements detailed in the instructions, teams must develop a solution that assists developers or users of AI systems in navigating the AI Act's risk classification system and understanding which obligations apply to them.

Participants must consider the jury's evaluation criteria while performing the Challenge (see Section 5).

Teams will send the developed solution to the email address:

challenge@legalityattentivedatascientists.eu no later than **9:00 PM on 6 October 2024 (CEST).** 

#### 4.4 Final event – in-person phase

#### 10 October 2024, from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM Pisa, Officine Garibaldi, Via Gioberti 39.

The day will be organised as follows:

- **9:00 AM**: Team roll call and verification of declared details
- **9:30 AM**: Description of rules and specific modalities of the Live phase.
- 10:00 AM 4:00 PM: Live Phase: Teams will receive the second challenge of the competition, which will consist of adapting the solution developed in the Offline phase to a concrete scenario and preparing an effective 10-minute maximum presentation of it.
- 4:00 PM 6:00 PM: Presentation of solutions by the Teams
- 6:00 PM 7:00 PM: Jury meeting
- 7:00 PM 8:00 PM: Announcement of the winners!

Each team will be assisted by 2 tutors and will have a workstation with two screens to carry out their work throughout the day.

During the event, a catering service will be provided for lunch, and a coffee break station will be available throughout the day for the participants.

## 5 EVALUATION JURY AND WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT

The solution presented at the end of the Live phase will be evaluated by an external Jury composed by IT experts, legal experts, company representatives and communications experts.

The Jury will assign points on a scale from 1 (insufficient) to 5 (excellent) for all the following criteria:







- For the Artefact:
  - innovative;
  - reliable;
  - o usable;
  - o efficient
- For the output:
  - o useful;
  - o legally accurate
- For the presentation:
  - Well-structured;
  - explanatory;
  - engaging;

The winners will be announced on 10 October, from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM, at the event venue.

# 6 PRIZES AND REIMBURSEMENTS

## 6.1 Prize Pool

The Challenge includes a final ranking that will award a cash prize to the top three classified teams. They can be combined with the special prizes. The cash prizes are as follows

First place team	2.500€
Second place team	1.500€
Third place team	1.000€

**Special Prizes** 

Best presentation	500€
Most innovative solution	500€

The total prize pool is €6,000.

## 6.2 Reimbursement of Participation Expenses

In addition to the prizes provided by the total prize pool, each qualified team that presents at the Live phase will receive a participation fee of **€600**, which will partially cover the expenses incurred for participation.

## 6.3 Prize and Reimbursement Collection Methods

The prize and reimbursement will be awarded to the team and delivered to the person designated (at the time of registration) as the Team Leader.







It is specified that the Organisation is exempt from liability in the distribution of the prize and reimbursement among the team members and that such distribution is left to the free agreement among the team members.

The awarding of prizes may be suspended indefinitely or cancelled in case of exclusion, precautionary suspension, disqualification, or cancellation of the result.

The winners will receive a confirmation email with instructions to follow within 15 days from the date of receipt through the indicated channels and methods. In case the winner is unreachable or does not respond, the prize will be considered unclaimed and will be awarded to the next reserve (with a ranking shift).

In case a prize is not collected, it will be entirely donated to the Associazione Amici Della Fondazione Stella Maris ONLUS, located at Viale del Tirreno 331/b - 56128 - Calambrone (Pisa), established in 1993 to support the activities of the Fondazione Stella Maris in promoting and supporting initiatives for the care, rehabilitation, assistance, and social inclusion of young people with psychiatric disorders.

# 7 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

By participating in the Challenge, the participants declare that they have ownership rights over the solutions, or any of their parts, they will develop and present.

Following the principles of open science, the winning solutions will be released under an "as open as possible" license – namely a CC BY 4.0 license (https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/) for any document or image and a MIT license (https://mit-license.org/) for any software component.

## 8 PUBLIC DISSEMINATION

The Challenge will be promoted on the websites www.santannapisa.it/en, www.legalityattentivedatascientists.eu, www.internetfestival.it/ and by the partners of Leads Project.

By participating in the Contest, the participant authorises the organisers to process their personal data, in accordance with GDPR (Reg. 679/16), for the purposes related to the promotion and communication of the Challenge, and thus to publish their data in case of winning on the social channels of the Challenge. The Challenge will also be promoted through the following channels:

- LinkedIn page of the LeADS Project and Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna
- X (formerly Twitter) account of the LeADS Project and Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna
- Facebook page @internetfestival
- X (formerly Twitter) account @Internetfest
- Instagram profile @internetfest
- Internet Festival newsletter







# 9 GENERAL CLAUSE ON UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOUR

Each participant agrees and commits to compete sportingly, avoiding any possible unsportsmanlike behaviour. They are therefore obliged to act fairly and not engage in offensive or violent behaviour towards anyone present at the Challenge.

Violation of the above will result in disqualification from the Challenge. Each participant commits to honestly solving the exercise/problem, free from tricks or cheating of any kind. Any illicit behaviour as mentioned above will be punished with disqualification. This list is merely explanatory and not exhaustive. Any behaviour that is subject to an express warning from the Organisation will be sanctioned with disqualification.

## 10 USE OF IMAGE

By registering for the Challenge and consequently approving these Rules, the participant authorises, free of charge and without time or place limits, the publication and dissemination of their images (photos and videos) taken and/or recorded by photographers and cameramen present at the event for all legal purposes, in any form, on the Internet Festival event website and related Facebook pages, X (formerly Twitter) channel, Instagram, YouTube, or other internet dissemination platforms, in print and/or any other means of dissemination.

The participant also authorises the storage of the photos and videos in the computer archives of the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and Fondazione Sistema Toscana and acknowledges that the purpose of such publications is merely informative and possibly promotional.

# **11 CONSENT**

By participating in the Challenge, the participant accepts and declares, under their responsibility, the following:

- To fully accept the Rules of the Challenge;
- To be fully aware of the nature and commitment related to the activities that they will have to perform during the Challenge;
- To be in good health and have never suffered, even occasionally, from conditions and/or physical imperfections that could make participation in the Challenge dangerous or harmful to health;
- To release Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and Fondazione Sistema Toscana from any civil and criminal liability for which they are responsible and for any injury that may occur to themselves or others as a result of participating in the Challenge;
- To release and hold harmless Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and Fondazione Sistema Toscana and their members from any loss, liability, damage, or cost they may incur due to their participation in the Challenge;
- To expressly accept that this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT be interpreted according to Italian law and exclusively accept the Italian jurisdiction and the competence of the Court of Pisa in relation to any action arising from or connected to the Challenge.







• To expressly accept that this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT be as broad and inclusive as permitted by Italian law, and if any part of this Agreement is held invalid, it is agreed that the remaining rules shall nevertheless remain fully valid and effective.

Pursuant to Article 1341 of the Italian Civil Code, they declare to specifically approve the clauses mentioned above and they agree to sign the relevant releases when registering for the Live phase.

# 12 PRIVACY NOTICE

Pursuant to the "European Regulation 2016/679 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data" (hereinafter GDPR), as the "Data Controller" pursuant to Article 13 of the GDPR, RJC Soft S.r.l. provides the following information:

- **Purpose of the processing:** The personal data provided will be processed for purposes strictly related and instrumental to the activities mentioned above, to enable the organisation and management of the Challenge and the awarding of prizes. Images and video recordings, for which the participant has expressly given their consent, will be disseminated in any form on the website, YouTube, Facebook, Instagram, X (formerly Twitter), in print, and/or any other dissemination medium for promotional and management purposes of the Challenge and informational purposes.
- **Data processing methods:** The personal data provided, including photographs and videos, will be subject to processing operations in compliance with current regulations and principles of fairness, lawfulness, transparency, and confidentiality. Such data will be processed using both IT tools and paper supports, as well as any other suitable medium, in compliance with the security measures provided by the GDPR.
- **Obligatory or voluntary nature of consent:** Providing data is optional. Failure to provide data will not allow participation in the Challenge. Lack of consent for the publication/dissemination of images and videos will not allow the use of the subject's images and/or video recordings for the purposes mentioned above. In case of accidental use, the participant may inform the Organisation, which will proceed to remove them.
- **Data communication and dissemination:** Within the limits relevant to the processing purposes indicated, personal data (including images and video recordings) may be communicated, published, and/or disseminated in any form on the event website, on social networks, and through any other dissemination medium (local newspapers or periodicals). The participant also authorises the event organisation to communicate the aforementioned data to partners and sponsors present at the event.
- **Rights of the participant:** At any time, it is possible to exercise all the rights indicated in Articles 15 to 22 and Article 34 of the GDPR, in particular the deletion, rectification, or integration of data, by sending a written communication to ......
- **Retention period:** The collected data (including photos, videos, etc.) will be stored in the computer archives of Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and Fondazione Sistema Toscana for the purposes of the Challenge.







# **13 FINAL PROVISIONS**

The Organisation reserves the right to modify, even partially and at any time, the participation methods in the Challenge, giving adequate communication,

This regulation in the official version is kept at the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Laboratorio LiderLab, p.zza Martiri della Libertà 33, 56127, Pisa (PI).

