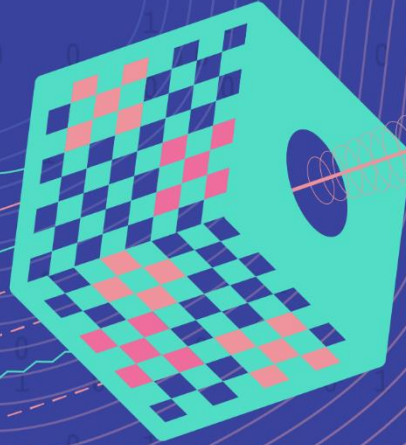




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BIC & Hackathon draft agenda

Partners and sponsors

Overview of the partners and sponsors for the local hackathon, role and contribution as per Letter of Support.

Partner/Sponsor	Status	Role and contribution
Uninubria	Confirmed	will support in spreading the opportunity and involving students even through the Contamination Lab (the open incubator conducted with ComoNExT). Some Professors will be directly participating the event as host testimonials and tutors. They will also participate to the jury. They will assign a special price that will be the opportunity to visit and be hosted in a special lab dedicated to aerospace technologies. Contribution to the Cassini Hackathon:· Recruitment of participants among student/researchers · Collaboration of staff professors' expertise during the tutoring sessions of the participants · Special Price: guided and interactive tour in high-tech labs of the University, where particles detectors – like the ones of the AGILE mission – are tested.
LIUC	Confirmed	LIUC will support in spreading the opportunity and involving students even through the Contamination Lab (the open incubator conducted with ComoNExT). Some Professors will be directly participating the event as jury members. Contribution to the Cassini Hackathon:· Recruitment of participants among students · Dissemination activities
LOMBARDY AEROSPACE CLUSTER	Confirmed	The LOMBARDY AEROSPACE CLUSTER will sustain a wide dissemination of the initiative, as it is related to the aim of bringing together entrepreneurs and researcher / students around the theme Connecting the Artic. Moreover, this hackathon will be the occasion to sustain the finding of new solutions to connect the remote Artic area to protect it and to let it be part of the wellbeing of all people in the future. They will be directly participating the event as jury members
CONFINDUSTRIA COMO	Confirmed	CONFINDUSTRIA COMO will support actively within its associated companies and external network the promotional campaign of the event, from early September until the announcement of the final winner at EU level. They will be directly participating the event as jury members
POLIMI	Confirmed	POLIMI will support ComoNExT in the Cassini Hackathon through: · Recruitment of participants among students · Dissemination activities. They will be directly participating the event as jury members



Big Ideas Campaign agenda

Local actions in the Big Ideas Campaign that will run from 25-28 October. MENTORS are asked to participate to the presentation sessions.

Date/time Preference*	Duration	Session topic + intended speakers
Oct 25-28 17.30-18.30	1to1 – 20'	On request and online: Every day we will give our availability for 1to1 sessions of 20' with participants that might have doubts, are looking for team members, have an idea to propose "last minute"
Oct 25 18.30	30'	Public and online: Hackathon presentation - Italy
Oct 26 18	30'	Team of business mentors' presentation
Oct 27 18	30'	Team of technical mentors' presentation

Draft schedule of the overall BIC

Date \ Time	Monday (25 Oct)	Tuesday (26 Oct)	Wednesday (27 Oct)	Thursday (28 Oct)
17:00 – 17:30	Launch session European Commission Keynote expert Space start-ups Organisers	Copernicus & DIAS WEKEO	Data & Challenges collide WEKEO & STP	Galileo & EGNOS EUSPA
17:30 – 18:00		Arctic Deep Dive	GovSatCom	JASON
18:00 – 18:30		Local sessions	Local sessions	Local sessions
18:30 – 19:00	Local sessions	Local sessions	Local sessions	Local sessions

Hackathon Weekend agenda

The pink sessions are the virtual ones held centrally. These are joint sessions for all locations that will be streamed from the central hub or are fixed in the local agendas. Please do not schedule additional sessions at the same time.

In **yellow** the times slot partners' representatives are needed in person @ComoNEXt or virtually @Discord.

Saturday -> Mentors

Sunday -> Jury



When?	What?	How?	Who?
Friday 5th November			
18:00 – 19:00	Informal welcome Participants arrive at the venue & mingle	In person	Everyone
19:00 – 20:00	Hackathon kick-off Welcome from the central hub by European Commission and organisers. A look ahead to the weekend	Live stream from the central studio (Auditorium)	Everyone
20:00 – 21:00	Local kick off Welcome from the local organisers, important information, what's in store	In person at location (Auditorium)	Everyone
21:00 – 21:30	Dinner	Individual boxes in the Catering Room (in line with Covid restrictions)	Everyone
Saturday 6th November			
09:00	Kick-start session (~5 min)	Live stream from the central studio	Everyone
09:00 – 10:30	Business Model Canvas and the SWOT Analysis Plenary session on basic instruments for business planning	In person at location (Auditorium) and virtually	Everyone
10:30 – 11:00	Break	Catering Room (in line with Covid restrictions)	Everyone
11:00 – 12:30	Mentoring/validation idea design sessions Teams can access experts to help them overcome roadblocks and validate their ideas	In person at location and virtually (Rooms: Energia, Spazio, Tempo, Volta AND online if needed)	Per team
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	Iccroccante Restaurant (in line with Covid restrictions)	Everyone
13:30 – 15:00	The Pitch Deck Plenary session on the creation of a pitch deck	In person at location (Auditorium) and virtually	Everyone
15:00 – 16:30	Mentoring/validation technical sessions Teams can access experts to help them overcome roadblocks and validate their ideas from a technical point of view	In person at location and virtually (Rooms: Energia, Spazio, Tempo, Volta AND online if needed)	Per team
16:30 – 17:00	Break	Catering Room (in line with Covid restrictions)	Everyone
17:00- 18:30	Mentoring/validation business sessions Teams can access experts to help them with the final idea validation from a business point of view	In person at location and virtually (Rooms: Energia, Spazio, Tempo, Volta AND online if needed)	Per team
Sunday 7th November			
09:00	Reboot session (~5 min)	Live stream from the central studio	Everyone
9:00 – 11:00	Teamwork: from the idea to the pitch Teams can always access experts to help them	In person at location and virtually	Per team



		(Rooms: Energia, Spazio, Tempo, Volta AND online if needed)	
11:00 – 11:30	Break	Catering Room (in line with Covid restrictions)	Everyone
11:30 – 13:00	Pitch finalization Teams can always access experts to help them and they will present the pitch to the tutor before the afternoon presentation	In person at location and virtually (Rooms: Energia, Spazio, Tempo, Volta AND online if needed)	Per team
14:30	Submission deadline		
14:30 – 15:00	Submission check Local organisers check for eligibility/completeness	Online	Organisers
15:00 – 17:00	Local pitches Local juries evaluate the submissions	In person	Organisers + individual teams
17:00 – 17:30	Local awards Local winners and runners up are awarded	In person	Everyone
17:30 – 17:45	Break/Buffer		
17:45 – 18:30	Closing session All local winners are announced and hackathon wrap up/thank you.	Live stream from the central studio	Everyone

(*) Please use CET or clearly state the time zone otherwise

N.B. There will be an agenda of livestream activities from the central studio throughout Saturday and Sunday. These sessions are not mandatory for participants but could be interesting for them to listen in on during breaks and throughout the day to hear from other participants and locations. We ask that you also try to create an agenda that allows participants the freedom to work on their ideas if they wish, rather than a full agenda of mandatory trainings and workshops.

NB: there will be at least 3 ComoNExT tutors available all the time for the teams (Maria Cristina Porta, Elisabetta Giromini, Elena Zaffaroni). One tutor will be assigned to constantly mentor 2 or 3 teams. If there is online participation, one tutor will be dedicated to virtual sessions. Technical mentors will give their availability for 2-3 hours over the weekend. Gabriel Mihali will act as PR over the weekend.

