

ENVISIONING THE FUTURE OF WORK

HACKATHON

DECEMBER 2023



Detailed Event Programme



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Co-hosted by University of Cambridge ThinkLab, the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), and the Google Accessibility Discovery Centre, this hackathon will convene a vibrant, diverse group of participants to envision creative and innovative solutions for making hybrid work environments more accessible and equitable for neurodiverse people.

Through this hackathon, we hope to:

- Co-create and build ideas and potential solutions together.
- Provide a platform for interdisciplinary and inclusive collaboration to address the barriers faced by neurodiverse individuals in hybrid work environments.
- serve as a catalyst for more research, innovation, and tangible impact in empowering more collaborative, hybrid, and inclusive work environments.

Please find below the draft programme of events and planned sessions. Please note that while the programming below has largely been finalised, it may be subject to further adjustments as additional details and speakers are confirmed.

All of the sessions will be taking place at Jesus College, University of Cambridge. The rooms that will be used in this venue are:

- Webb Library: Main event room (group lectures and keynotes)
- Admin Room: Accessible breakout room (Team 1)
- Study Centre Rooms 4, 5, 7, 9, and 10: Breakout rooms (Teams 2-5).
- Fulburn Room: Reserved for judges
- Bain Room: A quiet room designated for relaxation
- Elena Hall: Accessible dining area for lunch



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Day 1: Monday, 11 December 2023		
Time	Activity	Additional Notes and Comments
9:00–9:30 AM	Arrival and Morning Reception	Coffee and tea will be provided in the Webb Library.
9:30–9:45 AM	Welcome Remarks Introduction to the Hackathon, Participating Organisations, and Key Facilitators	Julian Huppert welcome to Jesus College Tyler Shores on ThinkLab
9:45–10:00 AM	Keynote Speech: Wellbeing Intelligence in the Workplace	Delivered by Thomas Roulet, Professor of Organisational Sociology and Leadership at Judge Business School, and Dr. Kiran Bhatti, Student Wellbeing Advisor at Wolfson College
10:00–10:45 AM	Perspectives from Google	Gokul Krishnan on inclusive design thinking at Google Aurelia Deflandre on neurodiversity
10:45–11:15 AM	Team Introductions and Warm-Up Activities	During this session, participants will be introduced to their allocated team / group. Team members will give brief introductions outlining their rationale for participation and relevant experiences, before partaking in a few warm-up activities.



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11:15–11:45 AM	Briefing on Expectations and Deliverables	<p>During this session, the facilitators will provide a detailed overview of what to expect from the hackathon, including expected deliverables as well as a refresher on the rules of engagement.</p> <p>Please ensure you are familiar with the documents that were shared ahead of the hackathon (rules of engagement, accessibility guide, and briefing pack).</p>
11:45–1:00 PM	Team Discussion and Role Allocation	<p>Participants will leverage this session to allocate key roles (communicator, time keeper, etc), begin designating relevant responsibilities, and start brainstorming ideas.</p> <p>Key facilitators and mentors will visit different groups during this session to respond to any additional queries or concerns that teams may have.</p>
1:00–2:00 PM	Lunch	Lunch to be provided at the Elena Hall



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2:00–3:00 PM	[Optional] LEGO Serious Play Ideation Session	<p>The LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® method (LSP) is a facilitated thinking, communication and problem solving technique. It is designed to help jumpstart creative thinking and unique solutions around complex organisational or macro challenges.</p> <p>This session will be facilitated by Monique Boddington, Management Practice Associate Professor at Judge Business School, the University of Cambridge.</p> <p>All lego blocks and play sets will be provided by ThinkLab.</p>
2:00–3:30 PM	Breakout Sessions – Team Activities	<p>Participants will use this session to meet with their respective teams and continue developing their proposed solutions and ideas. The facilitators and mentors will check in with each team to discuss progress on key deliverables as well as respond to any additional questions.</p>
3:30–4:00 PM	Break	<p>Tea and coffee will be served at 3pm in the Webb Library.</p>



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4:00–4:15 PM	Team Debrief and Feedback Session	During this session, each team will provide a brief update on their progress and experience with the hackathon to date. Participants can also use the time to raise any additional questions they may have.
4:15–4:45 PM	Wrap-Up and Closing Remarks	
Day 2: Tuesday, 12 December 2023		
Time	Activity	Additional Notes and Comments
9:30–9:45 AM	Arrival and Introduction to Panel of Judges	During this session, participants will be introduced to the panel of judges who will be assessing their respective deliverables and proposed solutions. Coffee and tea will be provided in the Webb Library.
9:45–10:00 AM	Keynote Speech: Technology and Accessibility	Richard Cave, Google



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10:00–11:15 AM	Breakout Sessions – Team Activities	Participants will use this session to meet with their respective teams and continue developing their proposed solutions and ideas. The facilitators and mentors will check in with each team to discuss progress on key deliverables as well as respond to any additional questions.
11:15–12:30 PM	Teams to Finalise Their Deliverables	
12:30 PM– 2:00 PM	Long lunch	Lunch to be provided at the Elena Hall.
2:00–3:00 PM	Team Presentations and Pitches	Each team will be allocated 5 minutes to deliver their presentations followed by a 5-minute Q&A session to respond to any follow up questions the judges may have.
3:00–3:30 PM	Judges to Deliberate and Finalise Decisions	Tea and coffee will be served at 3pm in the Webb Library.
3:30–4:00 PM	Prize Ceremony Team Photos	
4:00–4:15 PM	Closing Remarks	

