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COMPETE TO COMPLETE THE CHALLENGE

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If you are one of the lucky successful applicants, you will participate as part of a newly formed EU-XCEL international team of four alongside some of the most promising and talented tech entrepreneurs in an intensive, specially designed entrepreneurship training and mentoring programme over five months.

THE EU-XCEL EUROPEAN VIRTUAL ACCELERATOR INCLUDES

- A FREE week-long summer start-up scrum in one of six countries - Ireland, Germany, Spain, Greece, Poland and Denmark
- Access to bespoke virtual accelerator which includes tools and supports to assist teams develop and refine their start-up idea up to and after the EU-XCEL Ultimate Challenge Final
- The selection of the best teams to compete in the EU-XCEL Ultimate Challenge Final in November, where they will pitch to and connect with venture capitalists, angel investors and successful tech entrepreneurs.

WHAT YOU GET

EU-XCEL REWARDS ASPIRING YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS

ALL SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE ...

- The opportunity to win a significant financial prize at the EU-XCEL Ultimate Challenge Final
- An opportunity to travel to one of six one week European start-up scrums this summer with FREE flights and accommodation
- Access to peer and mentoring networking/entertainment events
- An opportunity to become part of an international EU-XCEL team and meet potential co-founders for your new venture
- Fast- track access to a European Accelerator Programme

By providing the full spectrum of supports from ideation, to product development to market, EU-XCEL provides:

- A unique opportunity to develop your entrepreneurial ambition in a prestigious European competition
- An international entrepreneurship experience with networking and pitching opportunities and high tech venture possibilities
- Physical & virtual access to training and mentoring with targeted, relevant experts
- A powerful entrepreneurial toolkit which includes technology scanning and sourcing innovation, commercialisation insights, market insights to overcome challenges
- Exposure to the commercialization of leading-edge ICT trends including the Internet of Things, Health Informatics, E-/M-Commerce, ICT 4 Development, Big Data and Predictive Analysis

WORK & LEARN

WITH THE EU-XCEL PROJECT TEAM

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OUR FOCUS

INTERNATIONALIZATION AND TECHNOLOGY

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