

PRESS RELEASE

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APPLICATIONS OPEN!

TRUSTCHAIN Hackathon — Build a Human-Centered, Trustworthy, and Sustainable Decentralized Internet

- **Event Dates:** 17–25 November 2025
- **Location:** Online
- **Prizes:** Up to €3,000 per track

The **TRUSTCHAIN Hackathon** is now open for applications! Taking place online from **17 to 25 November 2025**, this pan-European event invites developers, startups, researchers, and SMEs to build innovative digital solutions that champion **privacy, sustainability, interoperability, and trust** in the next-generation internet.

Organised under the umbrella of the **NGI TrustChain project**, the hackathon aims to amplify the impact of TRUSTCHAIN-funded technologies by encouraging new and existing teams to co-create tools that tackle real-world challenges through **decentralized, human-centric innovation**.

HACKATHON OVERVIEW

The TRUSTCHAIN Hackathon brings together forward-thinking minds to develop **interoperable, scalable, and ethical** digital applications. Participants will work with the **existing TRUSTCHAIN technology ecosystem**, reimagining what a **sustainable and trustworthy internet** can look like.

Solutions should address one or more key themes, including:

- **Digital Identity & Privacy**
- **Interoperability & Integration**
- **Sustainability, Inclusivity & Transparency**
- **Decentralized Marketplaces & Incentives**
- **Web3 & Gaming**

TRACKS & PRIZES

The hackathon features **two competitive tracks**:

- **Track 1: Internal** – For existing TRUSTCHAIN teams
- **Track 2: External** – Open to new applicants

Prize Structure (per track):

- 1st Place – €3,000
- 2nd Place – €2,000
- 3rd Place – €1,000

WHO CAN APPLY?

Applications are open to **legal entities** based in the **EU or associated countries**, including:

- SME
- SME + Individual
- SME + SME
- SME + Academic/ Research entity
- Academy/ Research entity

Applications are open until 13 November 2025, at 12:00PM [noon] CET

Apply here: <https://www.f6s.com/trustchain-hackathon>

For more information on the Hackathon go here:
<https://trustchain.ngi.eu/apply/>

About TrustChain

TrustChain will tackle several challenges pertaining to trustworthy and reliable digital identity, to resilient, secure and reliable data pathways, to economics and trading of data, to energy efficiency for data storage, transport and sharing, to seamless services and data flows. A new trustworthy data governance and sharing model in line with the European regulatory framework and taking into account European values will be developed that will ensure Trusted Data Ecosystems.

GET INVOLVED

Make sure to check out how to apply on our TrustChain [website](#) or directly on the [F6S platform](#).

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