



Hack4PH: The 1st Philippine E-Government Innovation Challenge

About

The **National Government Portal (GOV.PH) and its partners** invite everyone to join **Hack4PH: The 1st Philippine e-Government Innovation Challenge**.

Hack4PH is a competition that aims to co-create innovative and citizen-centered solutions of the future. The event will be held from **November 23-26, 2018** at the **(to be determined)**. To prepare participants for the event, a Pre-Hackathon Workshop will be conducted on November 10, 2018 at the Audio-Visual Room, DICT Building, C.P. Garcia Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City.

Hack4PH is anchored on the Philippines' long-term vision *AmBisyon Natin 2040*, which refers to the collective vision and aspiration of Filipinos for themselves and for the country. According to *AmBisyon Natin 2040*, Filipinos dream for a “*Matatag, Maginhawa, at Panatag na Buhay*” (a strongly-rooted, comfortable, and secure life) - a resilient and prosperous society under a government that is “clean, efficient, and fair.”

Challenges

Participants of Hack4PH will be tested on their ability to come up with out-of-the-box solutions to make this long-term vision into a reality. In keeping up with the theme *AmBisyon Natin 2040*, 20 teams will work for 40 hours to come up with game-changing ideas and transform it into a viable and scalable solution that will address four pressing challenges:

- **Hack2Work: Making Telecommuting Work**

Rooted in culture, Filipino families live together. Traffic jams, however, rob us of the opportunity to enjoy our time with families and friends. Millions endure the pains of daily commute and lose 16 days a year stuck in traffic jams, costing up to PhP 3.5 billion a day of lost income opportunities.

Can you help us optimize the use of digital technologies to achieve a healthy work-life balance? How can we make telecommuting work so that there is time for meaningful relationships and worthwhile community involvement? Help us rethink the future of work.



- **Hack2Live: Achieving Zero Hunger**

The Philippines is home to vast fertile lands and rich fishing grounds. Despite this promising abundance, the country faces the test of feeding its growing population. In the second quarter of 2018, 2.2 million families still felt hunger. This situation is further worsened by food wastage, both at the production and consumption levels.

Can you help us provide an insight on how food ends up in the trash instead of stomachs? How can we make food available, accessible, and affordable for all? Help us end hunger in our lifetime.

- **Hack2Learn: Digitizing Public Information**

In recent years, there has been a growing clamor to fight corruption and eliminate bureaucratic red tape. Last May 2018, the Ease of Doing Business act was passed to simplify requirements and streamline procedures across the government. Despite a significant leap, a vast collection of public records remain un-digitized and inaccessible to most of us.

How can an ordinary citizen collect and extract meaningful information across complex and incomprehensible information sources? Can we make information easily accessible and understandable to the public? Help us increase the trust and confidence in the government.

- **Hack2Play: Enriching Travel Experience**

With an all-time high of 6.6 million visitors this year, the country aims to be a top tourist destination in Asia. The booming tourism sector, however, is still grappling with infrastructure and connectivity challenges, as evidenced by a congested and un-integrated network of airport, seaport, roads and railways.

How can we make travel hassle-free, seamless, and secure? Can you help us track vast, real-time data on mass travel and tourism to improve competitiveness, ensure inclusive mobility, and build sustainable communities? Help us make tourist experience more fun in the Philippines.



Prizes and opportunities

Winners will be chosen for each challenge. They will receive cash prizes as much as PhP100,000.00 per challenge, plus the chance to fully develop their application or product with the support of DICT's infrastructure, platform, and capacity building programs.

Schedule of activities

Date	Activity
Registration period	1-30 October 2018
Announcement of qualifiers	3 November 2018
Pre-Hackathon Workshop	10 November 2018
Hackathon	23-25 November 2018
Pitching and Awarding Ceremony	26 November 2018

Participants and registration

Hack4PH is open to everyone—students, teachers, professional and amateur developers, designers, data scientists, digital storytellers, researchers, as well as tech enthusiasts. Interested participants can either form themselves into teams of three to five members, or apply individually. Individuals without coding experience, but with winning ideas, are also welcome.

To join, applicants must fill out the registration form at bit.ly/hack4ph2018. Deadline of application will be on **30 October 2018**. Qualifiers will be announced on www.gov.ph and the Facebook page of the National Government Portal.

For inquiries, chat with us at [facebook.com/nationalgovernmentportal](https://www.facebook.com/nationalgovernmentportal) or email Mr. Florante Galura Jr. at fdgalura@dict.gov.ph.

Help us co-create the future we want. Register now!



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