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IMPACT LAUNCHPAD 2026/27 PROGRAMME

16 November 2026–18 February 2027

APPLICATIONS 📝

- **Application deadline: 26 October 2026**
- **Application form: available here**

PART 1: FROM PROBLEM TO CONCEPT 🚀
November–December 2026

Defining the problem, understanding users, and developing an initial solution concept.

16 November **IN PERSON**	Kick-off session with a special guest and introductions to the teams
26 November **ONLINE**	Impact modelling and development of the Impact Canvas
4–5 December **IN PERSON**, FRI–SAT	First two-day bootcamp
7 December **ONLINE**	User interviews and initial outreach
17 December **ONLINE**	Concept review and feedback

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Bootcamp topics

- Defining the problem and target users
- Analysing the market, competitors and existing solutions
- Developing a value proposition and business model
- Preparing research interviews and planning the first test

Holiday break: 18 December 2026–3 January 2027

PART 2: TESTING AND MENTORING 📈
January 2027

Developing a prototype, testing with users and making improvements based on feedback.

7 January **ONLINE**	Prototyping, minimum viable product (MVP) development, and the use of AI and no-code tools
From 11 January **INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS**	Individual mentoring — four hours of support per team
15–16 January **V ŽIVO**, FRI–SAT	Second two-day bootcamp
21 January **ONLINE**	Legal and operational foundations
29 January **ONLINE**	Review of test results and impact measurement

Bootcamp and mentoring topics

- Developing and refining a prototype or MVP
- Testing with users and gathering feedback
- Acquiring first customers and pilot partners
- Pricing and financial planning
- Team roles, collaboration, and planning the next stages of development

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PART 3: PRESENTATIONS 🏆
1–18 February 2027

Preparing pitches, sharing experiences, and building connections for further development.

4 February **ONLINE**	Storytelling and pitch preparation
11 February **ONLINE**	Pitch practice and feedback
15 February **IN PERSON**	Semi-final
18 February **IN PERSON**, 9:30–13:30	Final event

At the final event, teams will present their solutions, share experiences, and connect with mentors, partners, and programme alumni. **All teams attend the event.**

Semi-finalists will have the opportunity to fast-track their entry into **Impact Validation**, the programme that follows Launchpad. The next steps and deadlines will be presented before the programme ends. Attendance at the final event is a prerequisite for joining Impact Validation.

Dates are provisional. The organiser will notify participants of any changes in advance.

