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### Invitation to Join Hackathon Event Organized by IIT Kanpur

Dear Vice Chancellor/ Director

Greetings from the Association of Indian Universities (AIU).

I am delighted to extend an invitation to your esteemed university to participate in the upcoming Hackathon Event **HACK IITK 2026** organized by IIT Kanpur.

As India's leading cybersecurity innovation hub, C3iHub, IIT Kanpur aims to nurture talent and drive innovation by tackling real-world cybersecurity challenges. This hackathon offers an exciting platform for students and researchers to engage with industry experts, showcase their skills, and contribute to solving critical cybersecurity issues.

As the AIU proposes to be an Educational Partner for this event, we invite your esteemed university to encourage participation through your students and alumni in the cybersecurity challenges.

For more details, please visit the event website at https://hackathon.c3ihub.iitk.ac.in/

# The main goal of this hackathon is to raise awareness about cybersecurity among young people. Expectations from Universities:

- 1. Promotional Support:
- o Sharing event details with students and faculty through internal communication channels.
- o Prominent display of hackathon materials on campus and social platforms.
- 2. Participation:
- o Encouraging active participation from your student community.
- o Facilitating faculty involvement in hackathon activities.

#### **Benefits for Participants:**

- Hackathon has two tracks: CTF and Solution Track.
- The challenges will resemble real-world scenarios, allowing participants to develop expertise as they progress through them.
- Participants will learn how to stay cyber-safe against modern cyberattacks and crimes.
- Hackathon winners will receive cash awards, cloud credits, and opportunities for internships or jobs with C3iHub.

We believe that your university's participation will significantly contribute to the success of this event, while also providing valuable learning and growth opportunities for your students and faculty.

I appreciate your support and we look forward to your active participation.

Warm regards, oney knoz patrak

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