

Clarification questions and answers:

Question 1: Is there a target number of startup submissions?

Answer: No, but we have a target number for selection: shortlisted 50 (onboarded 30, 20 on waitlist).

Question 2: Is the programme open to startups from any and all countries?

Answer: Yes, we are keen on a wide spread across all continents. Our focus is on solutions with applicability in emerging markets.

Question 3: Will all the vetting happen online, or will there at any point be an offline demo day for the top X startups to select the 3 cohorts.

Answer: No demo, all vetting online. We are not focused on their product/solution but their alignment with our initiative and tech4good ideals.

Question 4: Regarding the Spanish and French requirement. Is that only for the brief. Or do you also wish to have rules, communication and support being done in those languages (beyond English)?

Answer: Only the brief. Once potential applicants are interested, they need to find someone to translate for them. Their application also needs to be in EN.

Question 5: Regarding response time for troubleshooting, I presume this is only for technical problems. Is the 10/24 hour window only applicable to weekdays or also weekends?

Answer: Weekends excluded. Troubleshoot of tech issues indeed.

Question 6: Regarding the provision of expert judges - is there a certain target number you are looking at?

Answer: No, we want to hear what number you can confidently leverage through your immediate network.

Question 7: The document mentions that we are to "disseminate information" + "communicate" with Governments, private sector, academia, researchers, fund managers, VC etc - do we just need to allow them to indicate their interest, or do we need to actively need to bring them to the platform (VS the scouting/attraction for this being done by the UNDP). If the scouting / attraction needs to be done by Agorize, is there a target for Pipelines 2 & 3?

Answer: No scouting / attraction to be done by Agorize, beyond the general listing on your platform and other free circulation modalities you may have.

Question 8: The makeup of the 3 co-labs cohorts is it thematic (if so, what are the topics), location based (if so, what are the locations) or random?

Answer: We will disclose the topics later. All are subsets of sustainable agriculture. Locations will be determined later, but will span all of UNDP's programme regions.