



CONNECTION LAB AND  
INNOVATION KITCHEN

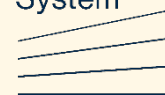
# Challenge@PoliTo

## Innovative Teaching Model



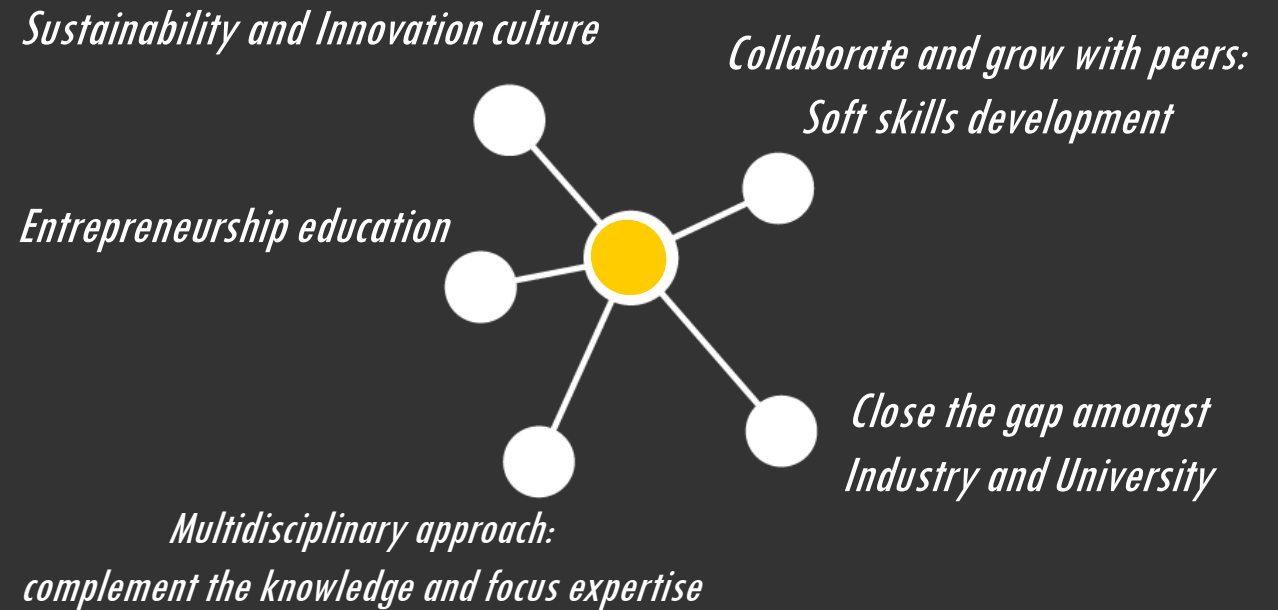
Politecnico  
di Torino

Technology  
Transfer  
System



# Connection Lab Innovation Kitchen

## The Cross- Connection Model



A place where students can experience and **put in practice knowledge** learned in classroom  
An informal environment which promote a creative and collaborative spirit **to develop competences**

# Challenge@PoliTo: what is?

**Challenge@PoliTO** is an innovative teaching activity carried out by 30 Master's Degree students to find the most innovative ideas.

They are divided into multidisciplinary teams with different backgrounds from all degree courses, looking for new solutions that solve the proposed challenges

**Problem driven Challenge by Company partner**

**One vertical Problem → 5/6 different solutions**

- Company Partner applies for the Challenge Call
- Comitato Lab TT selects five Challenges
- Students apply to participate

# Challenge@PoliTo: Value Propositions

## Companies:

- Employer branding
- Scouting & Recruitment
- New idea generation
- Different points of view to solve the problem
- 1 challenge → 6 different solutions
- 30 master students involved on your challenge

## Students:

- Work in multidisciplinary team
- Increasing of skills
- Learning by doing

# Challenge @ PoliTo – Structure

Where: CLIK / online

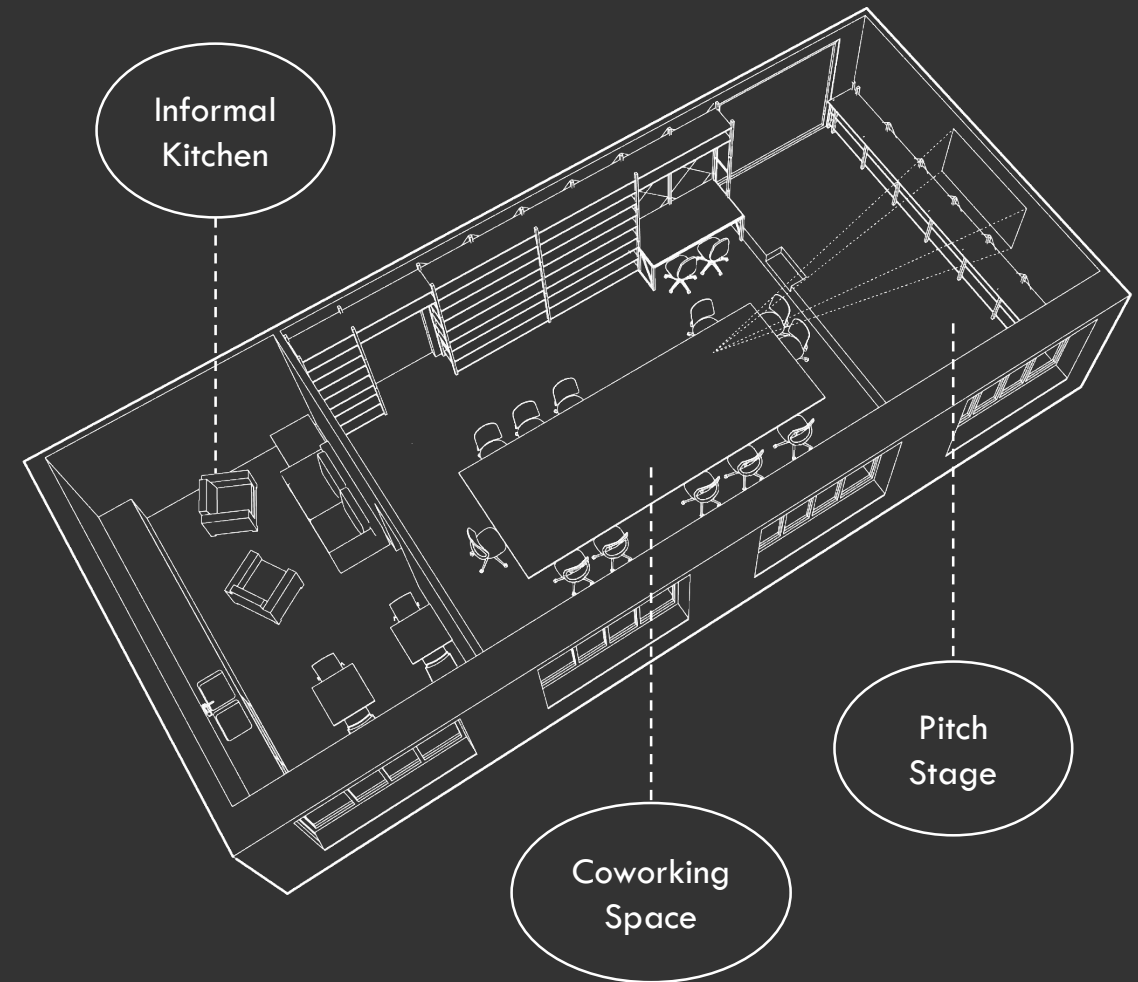
Duration: 14 weeks

Student Effort: 200 hours → 8 CFU

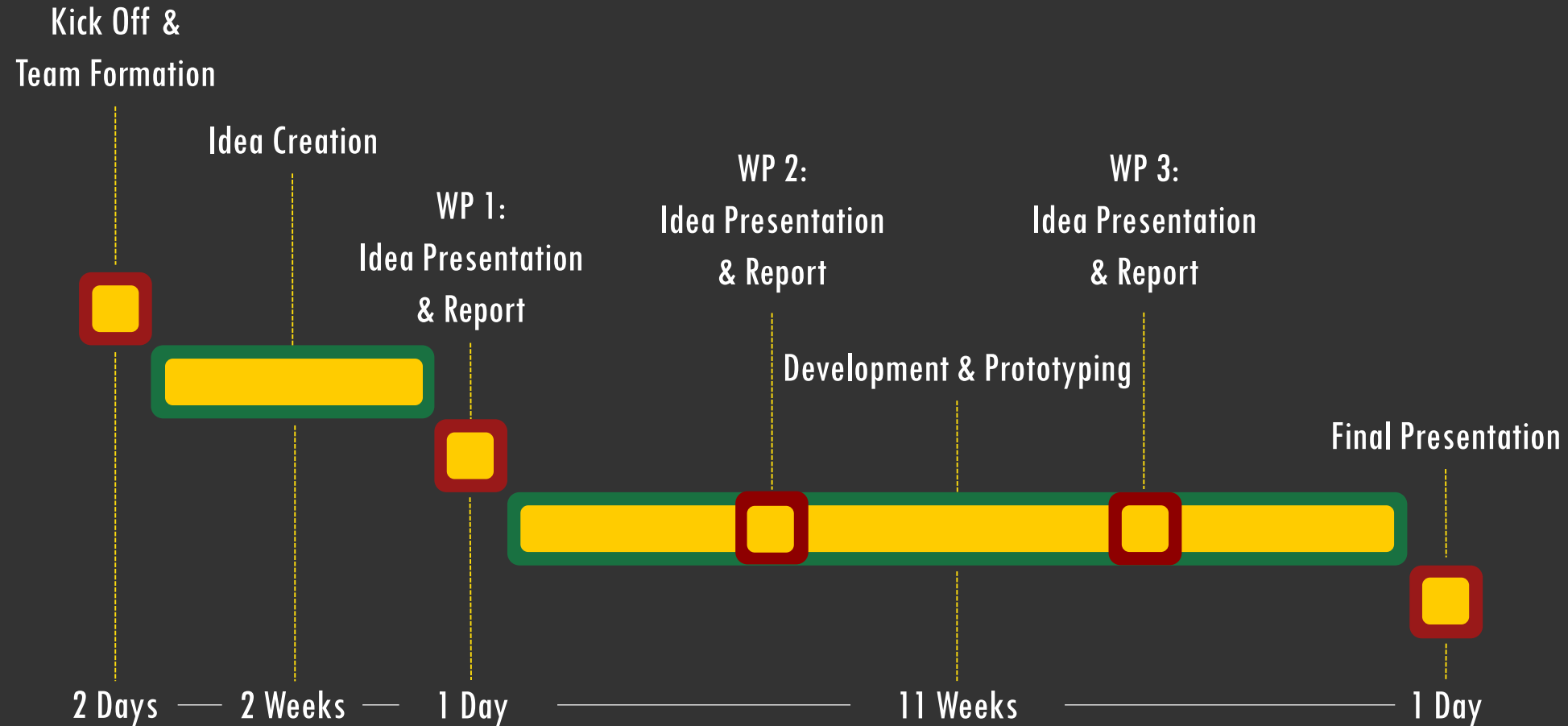
Student n°: max 30 (5 team of 6 people)

Actors Involved:

- Professors & Mentors
- CLIK Staff
- Company



# Challenge\_By Firms - Timeline



Company presence is expected during presentation days



Is up to the Company to decide the involvement during the development phase

## Global Meeting

1. 1 Kick off
2. 1 monthly Work Progress
3. 8 Educat. Workshops
4. 1 Final Presentation

## Student Constraints

1. 3 ppt Work Progress
2. 1 monthly report
3. 1 final Presentation
4. 1 final report

# What's the effort?

Students: +6.000 h



Mentor: +180 h



During the 14 weeks, 30 students will work 200h each, supported by mentors selected appropriately for the Challenge

Lecturer: +50 h



Lecturer will overview all the work with monthly updates and overall supervision

Company: +30 h



In the 30 hours, besides presentation days, we consider an average effort of 3 hours a month.  
Is up to the Company to decide the amount of hours to spend in support of students based on goals and expected results

# CHALLENGES ENDED 1/2



*Reverse Logistics* - reverse logistics from stores to Adidas



*Ambiti di Integrazione Territoriale* - programmare risorse e pianificare territori



*TheCutter* - design new machineries and processes



*Smart Tower* - new way to use the Terna's Smart Towers



*e-Mobility* - solutions to reduce “range anxiety” on electric vehicles



*PeopleFlowing* - analysis and management of pedestrians in critical spaces



*CLEAR* - separation of microplastics from water



*PerformANCE* - real time monitoring of a construction site

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# CHALLENGES ENDED 2/2

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*A.I. 4 fashion trends* - solutions to predict successful fashion trends

FCA

FIAT CHRYSLER AUTOMOBILES

*CASE (Connected Autonomous Shared Electric) NEXT GEN* - next gen car



Italian Cricket farm

*Crickets in the space* - food for space travel

Posteitaliane

*Smart Area 24h* - solutions to make Poste's services more smart

autostrade // Tech

*Green energy in motorway* - design an optimized storage system

FERRERO

*Dress-up chocolate with care* - new packaging system



MARAZZATO  
SOLUZIONI PER IL PIANETA,  
DAL 1952.

*Treasure Track* - multi Functional Area Development

Sabelt®






*Seat as a suit* - design the new innovative seat

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# CHALLENGES IN PROGRESS

	<i>Energy for homes, a home for energy</i> - conceive the new headquarters
	<i>KPIs for Green Mobility Services</i> - sustainable services for mobility
	<i>S.E.L.F. TOOL</i> - new approaches to the lunchbreak
	<i>Save Our products: Ship with care</i> - a new system for packaging
	<i>Students from the future</i> - map the education system and rethink it

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## PEOPLE INVOLVED

550 Students, 115 Teams, 30 Master's degree courses  
30 Lecturers, 120 Mentors



Informal  
space





# Challenge Insight





# Team Building





Covid mode





# Prototyping

# VISION



We see a world in which technology can help us  
identifying and finding every object,  
decreasing human error

**RFID on each item**



**AR in the warehouse**



## Pitching



CONTAMINATION LAB AND  
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Il Laboratorio CLIK nasce  
come luogo per la  
progettazione e l'innovazione  
collegato al mondo della  
creatività, da dove  
nascono progetti innovativi  
e prototipi pronti ad essere  
altri del mercato.  
CLIK vuole offrire agli studenti  
uno spazio interdisciplinare  
dove nascono idee che  
diventano progetti di  
background attraverso  
collaborazioni per  
confrontare con tecnologie  
all'avanguardia fornite da  
ricercatori del polo tecnico e  
creare sinergie con un  
impegnato network.







**MORDENTE**  
LA FORZA CHE DATE ALL'ELOQUIO.  
TENSIONE MUSCOLARE.  
Molto legato ad articolazione e  
intelligibilità  
.... Video+Audio

Workshops

# Cross-functional Workshop program – Challenge@PoliTo

## 1. Team Building: work sharing and Team construction

Learning objective: Development of cohesive, multidisciplinary and strong Team

## 2. Design processes and concept generation

Learning objective: Knowing and knowing how to apply different process development methodologies

## 3. Project Management

Learning objective: Project management tools and how to use them

## 4. Value Proposition and Value creation: What are they?

Learning objective: Creation and development of an useful and valuable project

## 5. IP and Prior Art

Learning objective: Knowing the different types of IP and to be able to develop a prior art research

## 6. Communication & Pitch

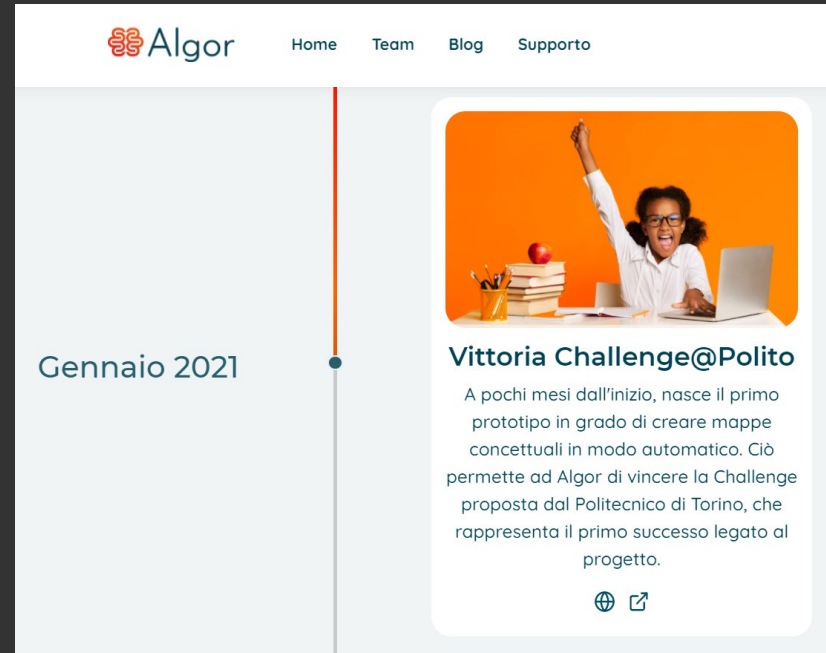
Learning objective: To be able to present himself/herself and the team's idea in effectively and appealingly way

## 7. Social Impact

Learning objective: Quantification of macro and micro impacts of the different business strategies on world and how to mitigate them



# Outcome



Prototyping

Startup  
foundation

Social Media  
Traffic

# Feedbacks from students on Challenge@PoliTo

1. It is one of the **best experience at Politecnico!**
2. Good for **networking**;
3. I think that is a great opportunity to **grow as a person and as a team member**, an opportunity to **learn by doing and to face the real word outside university**;
4. It has been a stimulating experience that taught me a lot of skills that are going to enrich my experience and provide me tools to better **approach the “work world”**;
5. I think these experiences are the **best connections** the university can build **between students and working/entrepreneurial world, not comparable with exams**;
6. Yes because it's a **value added to the theoretical exams** that everyone does at university;
7. It is a perfect place to **sharpen personal and professional skills**;
8. It is the best way to practice with different technologies, **to learn all the different aspects of a project, from the theory behind to the business plan**;
9. The Challenge@PoliTo gives the possibility to understand **how to work in a team with different backgrounds, how to manage the time to achieve the deadlines** and the importance of the communication between the team members and the mentors. **It makes you understand that if you have an idea you can implement it from zero and do it.**

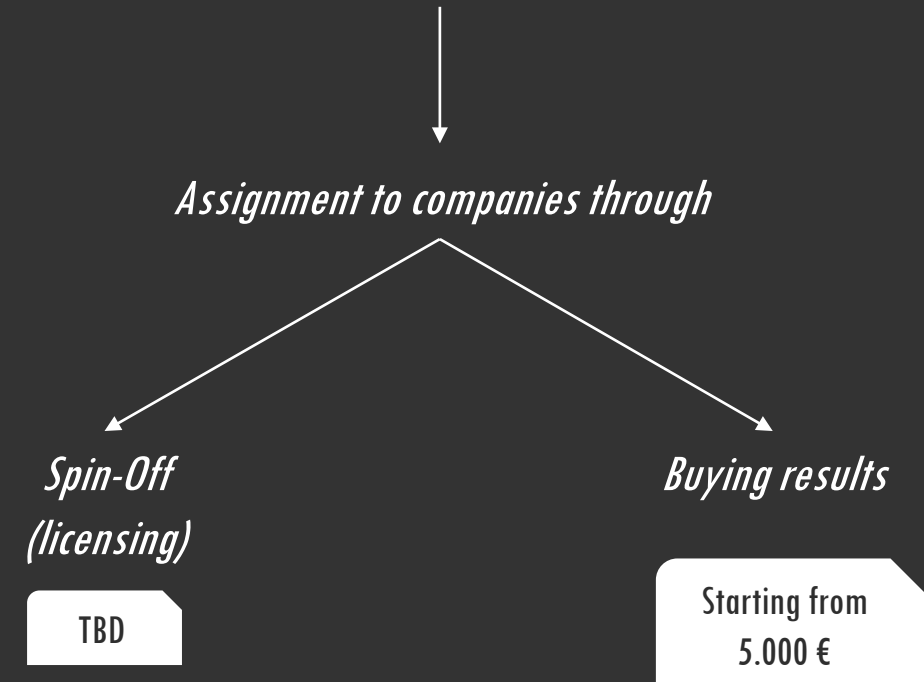
# Challenge Prices

Prices and conditions will be agreed based on  
**Company dimension**  
(Revenues and n° of Employees)

# Intellectual Property

1. Moral rights always belong to the inventor (students)

2. Economic rights always belong to Politecnico





*Different*

*Funny*

*Educational*

*Market oriented*

*Inspirational*

*Intense*



Thanks!

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