

De-TECH Innovation Tech Challenge 2025

*Call for Industry Challenges – Aerospace & High-Tech Focus
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De-TECH Open Innovation Tech Challenges 2025

On-Site Event – Istanbul, Turkey, 10th & 11th December 2025

Optional Pre-Event – December 10

16:00 Visit key innovation hubs/labs at Istanbul Technical University, including: [ITU Çekirdek Incubation Center](#) and [ITU-GINOVA Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center](#)

19:00 Guided tour of the bazaar and dinner

Workshop Day – December 11

Location: *TBD*

09:00 – 09:30 | Welcome & Registration

- Participant check-in
- Morning coffee and networking

09:30 – 10:00 | Opening Remarks

- Welcome words by EIT and DeTECH coordinators
- Introduction to the Deep Tech European Venture Builder Competition 2025 (incl. teams and Advisory Board / Jury members)
- Overview of the day's agenda

10:00 – 10:45 | Keynote Session: Deep-Tech for Europe's Future

- Inspirational talk by a leading figure in deep-tech innovation (possibly one of the AB members)

10:45 – 11:00 | Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:00 | Tech Challenges: Workshop Session – Part I

13:00 – 14:00 | Networking Lunch

14:00 – 15:45 | Tech Challenges: Workshop Session – Part II

15:45 – 16:15 | Coffee Break

16:15 – 17:30 | Side Event: Awards Ceremony & Closing – Start-up Demoday De-TECH Competiton

- Announcement of winners of the pitch session
- Presentation of certificates and prizes
- Group photo and closing remarks

18:00 | Optional: Evening Reception

- Informal networking dinner or cocktail event