

Contest Terms & Conditions - 2023 API Summit Hackathon

1. **How to Enter.** Entry into the 2023 API Summit Hackathon must be made using the submission form at <https://konghq.com/conferences/kong-summit/hackathon-signup>. No purchase is necessary to enter. All valid entries must be received by Kong Inc. ("**Kong**") between 09:00 a.m. US Eastern time on August 28, 2023 and 5:00 p.m. US Eastern time on November 27, 2023 ("**Entry Deadline**"). Kong assumes no responsibility for late, misidentified, or misdirected entries.
2. **Eligibility.** Eligibility is limited to persons at least 18 years of age and who are legal residents of any country in which Kong is permitted to do business. There is no limit on the number of entries per person. The contest is void where prohibited or restricted by law and is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.
3. **Contest Qualification.** All entries must be valid as determined by Kong.
4. **Prizes.** A \$500 gift card will be awarded to the top 2023 API Summit Hackathon submission. A \$250 gift card will be awarded to the 2nd-5th place contributions. Submissions may be made individually or as teams. Prize amounts are awarded by submission. If a winning submission is made by a team, the prize will be shared by all team members.
5. **Conditions of Participation.** Participants agree to be bound by these rules and all decisions of Kong's panel of judges, whose decisions will be final. All entries become the property of Kong and will not be acknowledged or returned. Prizes must be claimed within 7 days of first attempted notification or will be forfeited. Kong shall not be responsible for registration errors or for lost, late or misdirected mail (including e-mail), or telecommunication or computer hardware or software failures. If, for any reason, the fairness or integrity of the contest becomes compromised, Kong reserves the right to terminate or modify the contest, and to disqualify any individual who tampers with the entry process or the administration of the contest.
6. **Judging Process and Criteria.** Judges will review and score all submissions, considering any supporting materials submitted. Videos explaining your hack will be required for all submissions to ensure the judges fully understand your hack and are therefore able to adequately judge your submission. Judges will be asked to give a score of 1-10 to each submission along with comments. These will be combined to give an overall score for each entry. All judges' scores will then be combined and the highest-scoring entry will be selected as our grand prize winner. Judges will consider the innovation, practicality, impactfulness, functionality, adherence to theme, and presentation of each entry. The entry with the highest total score will be the winning entry. In the event of a tie in overall score, the entry with the highest innovation points will win, and in the event of a continued tie, the entry with the highest points impactfulness will win.
7. **Prize Notification and Publicity Permission.** The Prize winners will be notified by the email provided in their submission within 5 business days of the event Entry Deadline. Kong makes no

warranties with regard to the Prizes. The Prizes are not transferable and the winner has no right of substitution (in cash or otherwise). Kong reserves the right to substitute a prize of equal or greater value in its sole discretion. Acceptance of a prize constitutes winner's permission for Kong to use winner's name, photograph, likeness, voice, biographical and professional information and statements for advertising or publicity purposes, worldwide, and in all forms of media now known or hereafter developed, in perpetuity, without further compensation.

8. Sponsor. The sponsor of this promotion is: Kong Inc., 77 Geary, 5th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94108, United States.