

Design Challenge III MENTORSHIP OPEN CALL



IPKO Foundation launches an open call for mentorship to support teams of university students, engaged in the third (3rd) edition of the activity "Design Challenge". Design Challenge brings innovative workshops for problem-solving in creative ways regarding current crises faced by the business community.

Initiated in 2018 by IPKO Foundation and RIT Kosovo, with support from Norwegian Embassy in Kosovo and GIZ, KosLift is a network, a fellowship, and an advocacy program for business initiatives from a variety of industries. The program supports university students, committed to improve the long-term quality of services and products in the Kosovo market.

The participating teams will work together with mentors in **four (4) online workshops**, in total **four (4) weeks** time to create a proposal for solutions and/or prototypes regarding challenges created by the current situation with COVID-19. An investment fund is available to teams for the most promising products or services. A facilitation guide will be provided to the mentors, based on design thinking processes as a practice. The guide is an easy-to-learn, flexible and scalable framework that students & mentors can apply in their daily work to tackle problems of the industry/company involved.

A key part of building a culture for innovation is teaching people new problem-solving skills to use in daily work. KosLift offers training and resources for all the ways that people learn. Our goal is to help individuals build a culture of innovation that flows directly from our activities.

If you would like to be part of this initiative and work with us, we would be happy to receive your CV and discuss the details of the project.

Our project is looking for mentors from a variety of professional backgrounds that would support students into structuring their ideas by creating feasible solutions.

The main evaluation criteria are:

**Education/Skills/Employment,
Interpersonal and Communication Skills,
Mentorship experience,
Experience on design thinking processes.**

The mentorships for this position will be paid **405 EUR** including all taxes. Please be informed that the deadline for the call is **June 10, 2020**. All interested mentors send your CV's on this email: dina.spahiu@ipkofoundation.org



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