Announcing the

SA Tech
Challenge 2025!

R3 million. 6 Winners.
A G20 Presidency Initiative.









## **Big News for South Africa's Tech Innovators!**

The Department of Science, Technology and Innovation (DSTI), in collaboration with powerhouse partners including CSIR, DCDT, DSBD, TIA and CIPC, is officially launching the inaugural South African Tech Challenge 2025 — a game-changing initiative to ignite homegrown innovation and fuel digital transformation across the nation!

## What's at stake?

- A first prize of R1 MILLION
- Opportunity to represent South Africa at the G20 Digital Innovation Alliance (G20-DIA) Summit in Cape Town, 24–26 September 2025
- Exposure to global investors, mentors, and innovation leaders

## **Categories:**

- Digital Platforms
- FinTech
- Secured Digital Infrastructure
- Circular Economy
- Innovations for Connectivity
- Innovations for Development (AgriTech, HealthTech, EdTech)

## **Key Dates:**

Applications Open: 20 May 2025Applications Close: 30 June 2025Finalists Announced: 31 July 2025

Dr. Konanani Rashamuse, Chief Director at DSTI, shares: We believe this challenge will unearth exceptional talent and empower our MSMEs to solve real-world problems, scale sustainably, and succeed globally.

Ms. Brigitte Binneman, Acting Director at DSTI, adds:

This is a bold step towards building an ecosystem where innovation thrives and South African ingenuity leads the way.

And as Mr. Craig Rolando Meyer of the DCDT puts it:

Integrating the Tech Challenge with the G20-DIA puts South African tech on a global stage. It's about solidarity, equality, and sustainability — and making our MSMEs global contenders.

If your tech MSME is ready to lead the change, apply now: www.satechchallenge.co.za

Let's build the future.

Let's take South African tech to the world.