The Build Challenge

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Akhil Boddu



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Akhil Boddu is a co-founder of Zaio Institute of Technology and its Chief Executive Officer. Zaio was started on the University of Cape Town campus by seven students, Akhil among them, who saw the gap between what industry wanted and what a degree taught. Zaio has since taught more than 100 000 people and is accredited by the QCTO. Akhil holds a BSc in Computer Science and Information Systems from UCT, is an AWS Certified Developer, and still teaches on Zaio's Fullstack AI Engineering bootcamp.

ON AIR

Akhil Boddu, co-founder and CEO of Zaio, the Cape Town tech institute behind The Build Challenge for high school learners.

QUESTIONS AKHIL CAN TAKE

1. What is The Build Challenge, and who can enter?
2. Most Grade 10 to 12 learners have never built a website. How does a learner with no coding experience build one?
3. Many people worry that AI will take young people's jobs. Why build a competition around it?
4. What kinds of problems are you hoping learners will take on?
5. How is it judged, and how do you keep it fair for a learner at a rural school, or one pitching in a second language?
6. What happens on 1 December, and how can learners sign up?

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