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Webinar: 5 reasons why leaders should rely on their employees during uncertain times

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## Hi!

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## **Agorize**

- 2,000 challenges for 300 companies
- 5 million innovators
- 185 countries





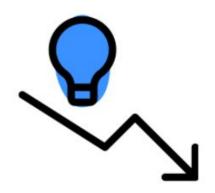
# Housekeeping rules

- Please stay on mute for everyone's comfort
- Post your questions through the chat
- Slides and recording will be shared



## **Uncertainty reigns**

- Higher pace of disruptions arising
- Covid-19: humanity's latest challenge
  - Lockdowns
  - Economic slowdown
  - Still unknown consequences





# The surprising virtues of isolation

- Boosts creativity
- Examples in History
  - Shakespeare | King Lear
  - Newton | Theory of Universal Gravity
  - Victor Hugo | Les Miserables
- And today
  - Citizens, doctors, neighbours, tech enthusiasts, entrepreneurs, artists...







Goat 2 Meeting
Invite a goat or a lama to your meeting for a good cause



# When facing a major issue, ask your employees

- The leader's dilemma
- Adaptation through Collaboration
  - o <u>Symbiogenesis</u>
- 2 ways of innovating
  - #1: closed innovation
  - #2: collaborative innovation
- Employee Driver Innovation (EDI)





## What is EDI and what does it look like?

- Leverage your employees' creativity to solve problems
  - Business continuity | Future of work | Process optimization |
     Opportunities during and after a crisis
- Different forms of EDI
  - Idea box, employee survey
  - Focus groups, workshops
  - Lab
  - Internal innovation challenge



# The 5 benefits of an internal innovation challenge

- 1. More engaged employees = Increased growth
- 2. Crowdsource solutions
- 3. Alleviate silos and federate your teams
- 4. Stimulate their creative problem skills
- 5. Boost employee engagement



# They run internal innovation challenges





















## Four key takeaways

- 1. Gather your employees' ideas now more than ever
- 2. Internal innovation challenges is the most efficient form of EDI (Employee Driven Innovation)
- 3. Include your people in your decision-making process to increase their engagement
- 4. Highly engaged employees means x4.5 higher growth and revenue



## Free resources

What an internal innovation challenge looks like: Resilient Company Challenge

How to organize your challenge Ebook: <u>10 steps to organizing your hackathon</u>

Whitepaper: Overcoming the unexpected with the help of your employees





# Thank you!

**Q&A** 



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# agorize













Agorize is the leading platform for open innovation challenges.

We connect organizations with a global community of **5 million innovators**.

Because the best ideas can come from anywhere.



### **Our ambition**



#### **6 Offices**

Hong Kong, Singapore, Japan, Paris, Stuttgart, Montreal



300+ Clients



2000+ Challenges



100+ Employees



9 Years in operation



### **Our Open Innovation Challenges**



### Student Challenge

Attract, engage and recruit the best talent. Cut your recruitment costs & boost your employer brand



### Startup Challenge

Engage, collaborate & hire startups for your business. Keep your business up to date with the latest tech



### Online Hackathon

Get prototypes that can be quickly implemented & attract the best tech talent



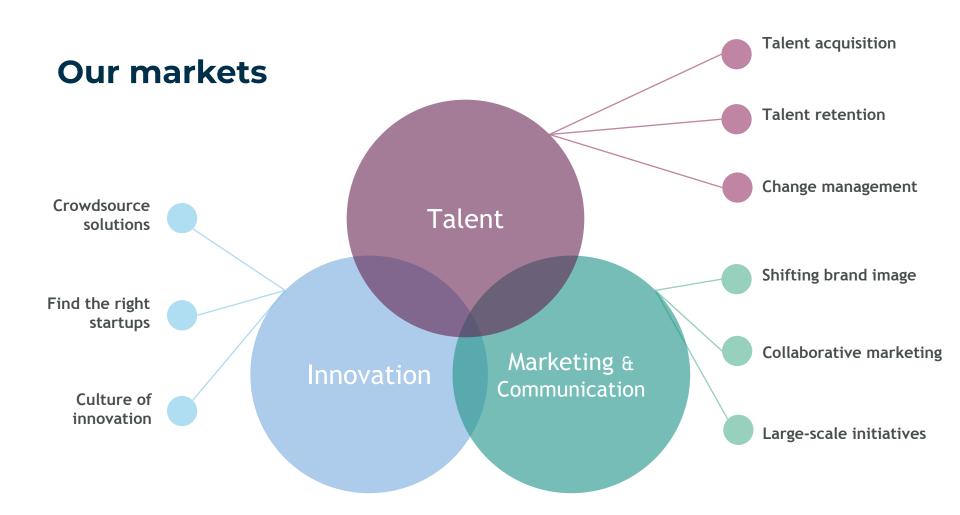
### Internal Challenge

Involve your team in achieving key strategic goals & foster intrapreneurship.



### Learning Challenge

A training program to empower your team, catalyse their creativity & reinforce their commitment.



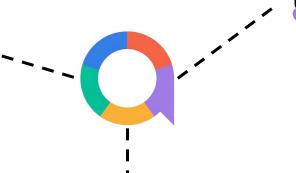






#### Network

- Participant sourcing (students, startups, general public)
- Re-Engagement of past Agorize Winners, innovators
- Promotional material, social outreach





**Platform** 

- Building a platform to promote the challenge
- Integrated backend for corporate mentoring and interaction with participants



## Program guidance & support

- Challenge management: teams, organisation support and follow-up
- Awards ceremony: event, logistic, prize management



#### **Our Clients in Asia**





































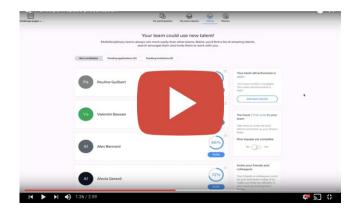
## **Platform**



More info on our platform **HERE** 



Watch the Agorize admin interface **HERE** 



Watch the Agorize participant interface **HERE** 

### A unique network of 5 million innovators

