

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

FutureMINT-Thinkathon 2026

Help us shape the future of STEM subjects in higher education!

Do you have ideas on how to improve higher education?

Are you studying computer science, engineering, a technical degree programme, a natural science, or a related field?

Then we need you at the FutureMINT Thinkathon in March 2026 at the TU Braunschweig!



Why should I participate?

STEM subjects are facing major challenges: a changing world of work, declining student numbers, high dropout rates and increasing heterogeneity among the students. Your ideas are crucial for rethinking curricula, interdisciplinarity, practical relevance and learning environments. You can expand your network, gain a wide range of new skills from our pitch and presentation training sessions, and learn about innovation methods.

Who are we?

The Stifterverband brings together committed individuals, companies and organisations with the aim of changing the research and education system in an effective and targeted manner. We are committed to making STEM higher education more attractive, contemporary and practical. With the Thinkathon, we want to highlight students' perspectives and develop them further in collaboration with university leadership.

Who can participate?

All students enrolled at a German higher education institute who want to change STEM education.

What can you expect?

- February-March 2026: Online preparation with topic selection and team building
- 26-28 March 2026, TU Braunschweig: Thinkathon with teamwork, methodology workshops and mentoring. Meals, accommodation and a certificate of participation will of course be provided.
- 18 June 2026, Berlin: Pitches of the best ideas at the FutureMINT conference in front of university leadership and companies – with the opportunity for accompanied implementation partnerships between students and universities

JOIN NOW!

Apply now until 6 February 2026. An internal jury will select the participants from all submissions.



To the website with further information & the application form: www.stifterverband.org/future-mint-programm

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