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Pioneers opens the doors of the Industry 4.0 Hackathon: our winners are set

- Industry 4.0 Hackathon from November 12th-14th in the Tabakfabrik Linz
- Hackathon partners KEBA, Miba, TGW and Voestalpine each chose one winner startup which solved their specific industry challenge in 48 hours:

Miba: craftworks
KEBA: Key Concept
TGW: REACH-MaxWhere
Voestalpine: Katalyo

Vienna, November 15th, 2018 – 18 startups from 9 countries faced the challenges of the Pioneers-partners KEBA, Miba, TGW and Voesalpine during the third edition of the Industry 4.0 Hackathon. After two pitching rounds, startups craftworks, Key Concept, REACH-MaxWhere and Katalyo were crowned winners. REACH-MaxWhere additionally won a spot amongst the 500 best startups at Pioneers '19, while Key Concept won a year in the factory300 co-working space.

"Hackathons are ideal for kicking off collaborations between corporates and startups," said Anton Schilling, Head of the Pioneers consulting arm, Pioneers Discover. "While developing prototypes in 48 hours, startups can prove what they're made of and corporates can carefully select the ideal partner for future projects. We see a great deal of potential in these cooperations, as innovation can be supported effectively through the transfer of know-how and resources."

Our partners presented the following challenges:

- **Miba:** Predictive quality process improvement with visual inspections to identify abnormalities from pictures and data.
- **KEBA:** Training an industrial robot using a technical concept and an initial implementation of a new, intuitive approach.
- TGW: Development of a Digital Twin for TGWs 'PickCenter Revolution', which picks up items and places them in target positions.
- **Voestalpine:** Development of a traceable, fraud-proof immutability of quality certificates built on blockchain or tangle technology.

"Team work is the most important thing, especially for us since our solution was very, very complex," said Balázs Bojkó, Industry Analytics Expert of the REACH-MaxWhere team. "We prepared well, especially in the last two weeks, and I believe that this is crucial if you want to win a hackathon."





About Pioneers

Creating an ecosystem to foster growth and innovation – that's our mission here at Pioneers. Together with our global community of entrepreneurs and tech innovators, we inspire and empower industries to help develop future technologies and introduce cutting-edge solutions. Since 2009, our agile team of 35 employees from 17 nations has been working towards creating longstanding communities and collaboration opportunities between startups, corporate executives, and investors through digital, consultancy and ventures services, events and inspirational, tailor-made offline experiences. Pioneers is proud to be a member of startup300 family.

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