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Subject: Invitation to Serve as a Judge — HatchHouse Lisbon 2026

Dear Mr. [Last Name],

I hope this message finds you well. On behalf of the organizing team at HatchHouse, I am honored to formally invite you to serve as a judge for HatchHouse Lisbon 2026, taking place from 12 to 15 June 2026 in Lisbon, Portugal, with final judging to be conducted online.

We are inviting you because of your demonstrated expertise in consumer software product development, mobile and web application execution, early-stage venture-backed startup operations, and founder community building. These areas are directly aligned with the projects our participants will be building and presenting.

In particular, your work as Co-Founder of Northpath Labs, a Berlin-based product studio building consumer and enterprise applications, reflects the level of entrepreneurial and product judgment we seek in our judging panel. You previously co-founded Fleetly, a 20-minute grocery delivery service backed by a leading European accelerator that scaled to six-figure GMV, and were a founding member of FoundersCircle, a non-profit that has organised more than one hundred events for over ten thousand founders, investors, and operators in partnership with major technology and cloud providers. You were also recognised as a regional finalist for a prominent international student entrepreneurship award. Your experience shipping consumer software and evaluating early-stage products is directly relevant to assessing the product execution and commercial viability of finalist projects.

HatchHouse Lisbon 2026 brings together a small, highly selective cohort of approximately ten of the most promising Gen-Z AI builders, chosen for their technical ability, product judgment, and demonstrated interest in artificial intelligence and agentic systems. Over the course of 48 hours, participants will develop and present working solutions to real-world problems at the intersection of artificial intelligence, agentic tools, and consumer-facing technology.

Judges for HatchHouse Lisbon 2026 are selected based on demonstrated expertise in artificial intelligence, AI infrastructure, agentic systems, applied machine learning, software engineering, product strategy, or venture-backed entrepreneurship, or related fields. Your experience shipping consumer software products, founding venture-backed startups, and evaluating early-stage product execution makes you especially well suited to evaluate the technical and commercial merit of the finalist projects.

As a judge, you would be asked to:

- Review and evaluate finalist projects using HatchHouse Lisbon 2026's official judging rubric, including criteria such as technical complexity, feasibility, innovation, product relevance, and execution quality;
- Participate in the online judging session on Sunday, 14 June 2026 at 3:00 PM Central European time (CEST);
- Provide substantive feedback to participating teams; and
- Vote as part of the judging panel to determine the winning project or projects.

This is a formal judging role, distinct from general mentorship or advising. You will be asked to assess participant submissions, compare finalist projects against the judging criteria, and contribute to the official selection of HatchHouse Lisbon 2026's winners.

We would be truly honored to have you on our judging panel. Please let us know by 5 June 2026 whether you are available to serve as a judge. We would also be happy to answer any questions regarding the judging process, time commitment, rubric, or event format.

Thank you for considering this invitation. We would be honored to have you contribute your expertise to HatchHouse Lisbon 2026 and to help recognize the next generation of AI builders.

Warm regards,

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