Highlights from Symphony Innovate 2018

Last week over 500 leading executives, engineers, and thought-leaders from across the global community came together to discuss the evolving digital workplace at Symphony Innovate 2018. Take a look at the **highlights** for inspiration and new ideas about how to best leverage Symphony for secure team collaboration.

1. **Live Workflow Demos from the Community.** Guests from AllianceBernstein, BNP Paribas, BlackRock, IHS Markit, and RBC joined Leah Cohen-Shohet, Symphony's EVP of Growth & Adoption and Chris Rodriguez, Symphony's Global Head of Workflow Specialists to demonstrate the bots they use to streamline their workflows - from trade structuring to reconciliation! Watch the **full keynote** to see all of the innovations and get ideas on how your teams can create similar workflows.

2. **Announcing New Symphony Features.** Ken Yagen, Symphony's EVP of Global Product Management, showed the latest platform updates including the new Symphony Desktop Application, Data Loss Prevention, Symphony for Microsoft Office, and more. Learn more about new product capabilities in our **press release**.

3. **Security in Action.** Symphony's CSO & CTO raised eyebrows through a live demo of how a "secure" chat platform can be easily hacked in just a matter of minutes, proving the power of Symphony's unique architecture.

4. **Customer and Partner Hosted Breakout Sessions.** The afternoon consisted of three different tracks focused on Connecting the Community, Managing Risk, and Contextual Intelligence where customers and partners shared live demonstrations of how they are using Symphony. Watch presentations from companies like Goldman Sachs, J.P. Morgan, Natixis, and more.

Thank you to our incredible sponsors who helped make Symphony Innovate 2018 possible. Learn about their solutions in our **Partner Showcase**.

Be sure to check out our **blog** and visit our conference **replay page** to catch anything you may have missed!

Symphony Innovation Award Winners

For the second time, we announced our **Symphony Innovation Award** winners, which recognizes cutting-edge bots and applications that are improving workflows across the Symphony community. We also included two new award categories based on engagement & activity. We are thrilled to announce the recipients of this award:

AllianceBernstein, Abbie Bot

Abbie is an AI-powered virtual assistant that allows its portfolio management teams to automate trade structuring and allocations. Abbie performs tasks in seconds, giving AllianceBernstein a clear competitive edge in operational speed and efficiency.

Vorto Limited, ServiceNow Integration

Vorto's integration automatically creates Symphony chatrooms for internal & external counterparties to update and approve ServiceNow® tickets used in the trade reconciliation process. This has replaced email as the primary communication source.

J.P. Morgan, Most Popular

We introduced the "Most Popular" Symphony Innovate Award this year and honored J.P. Morgan for being the most externally engaged firm in the Symphony network.

BlackRock, Most Engaged

BlackRock is the first winner of the "Most Engaged" Symphony Innovate Award. This award recognizes them as the firm with the highest percentage of daily active users on Symphony.
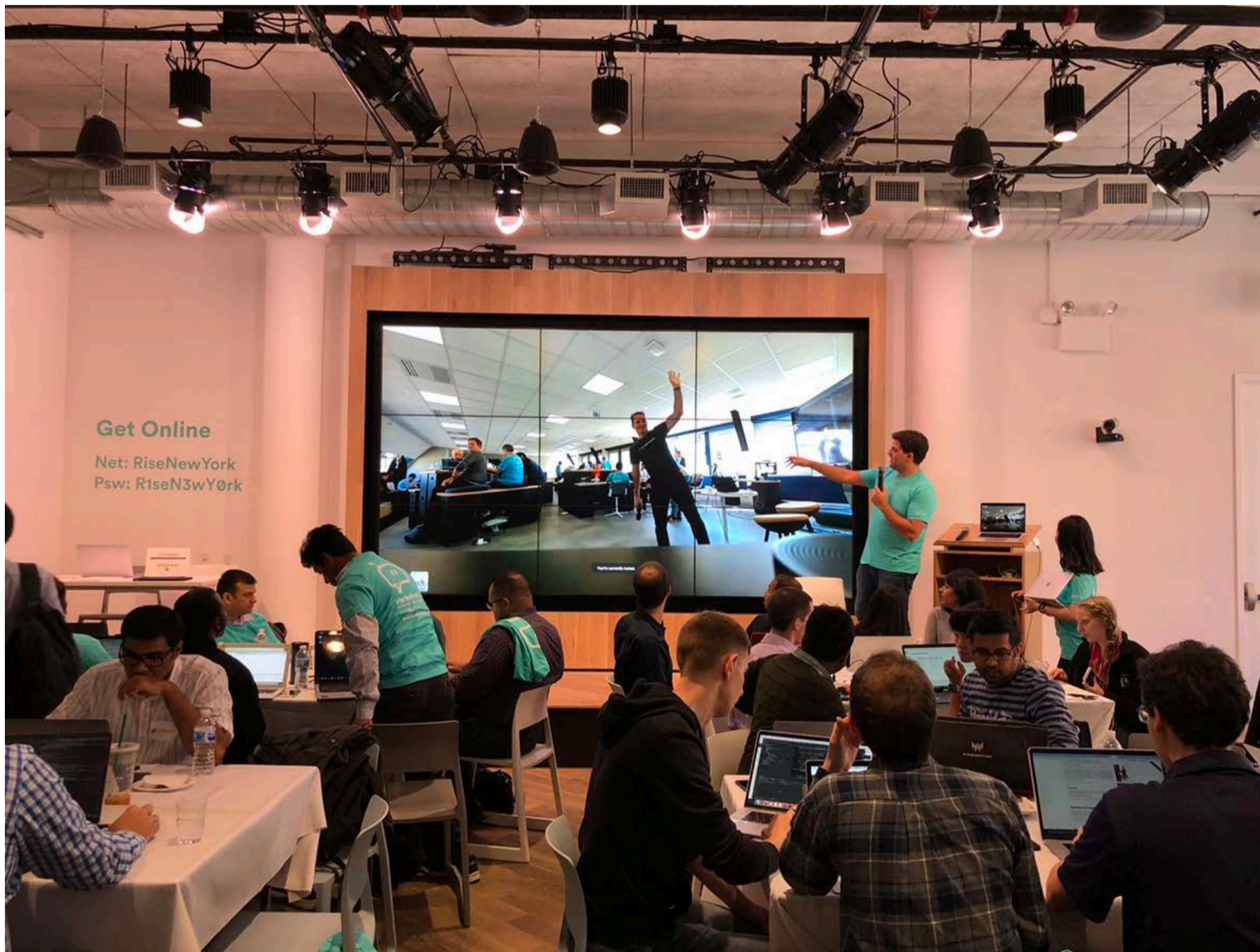
Hackathon Recap & Winners

On September 27, over 100 developers across 24 teams participated in our Symphony Innovate Hackathons in London, New York, and Paris. It was thrilling to see the new workflows teams built in just one day.

Congratulations to the winning teams:

Most Cutting-Edge Technical Development

London: BNP Paribas, *The Collaborator*

New York: Barclays, *Watchover Bot*

Paris: BNP Paribas, *Elnek Killer Bot*

Most Impactful Business Automation Development

London: Credit Suisse, Rachel Client Onboarding Bot

New York: BNP Paribas, *SCORE*

Paris: CA-CIB/Invivoo, *Smart RFQ Bot*

Check out our **hackathon recap blog** for more details about each winning project.

Coming Next: A bot for Operations teams and new Symphony training videos.