

Invitation to SAFE4ALL Technical Workshops Zimbabwe Living Lab June 24th - 26th, 2025, Meteorological Services

Department, Belvedere, Harare, Zimbabwe

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the upcoming SAFE4ALL Technical Workshops taking place from 24th to 26th June 2025 in Harare, Zimbabwe.

These workshops will provide a unique platform to engage with key stakeholders, explore SAFE4ALL tools in practice, and contribute to their ongoing development and application. Sessions will focus on weather stations, data integration, and climate resilience, offering space for hands-on learning and exchange.

The detailed agenda is provided on the second page of this invitation. For any questions or additional information, feel free to get in touch with us. We look forward to your participation and valuable insights.

Best regards,

Spyros Paparrizos

Coordinator of the SAFE4ALL project Wageningen University & Research

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Workshops Overview

Climate Change and Resilience

This workshop introduces the core concepts of climate change and resilience in an engaging, practical format. Participants will explore the science behind climate change, understand local vulnerabilities, and discuss actionable strategies to respond to both sudden shocks and ongoing stresses. The session will also highlight real-world examples from African cities and rural communities. helping participants reflect on how to build stronger, more adaptable systems locally.

DROPapp

The DROP app is a hydro-climate information service that offers 1-, 7-, and 14-day weather forecasts, while also integrating local weather updates submitted by farmers. It will be showcased as an innovative service designed to support smallholder farmers in Zimbabwe with tailored weather and soil moisture insights. By combining scientific data and local knowledge, it gims to enhance climate-smart decision-making for improved agricultural outcomes.

eWaterCycle

The eWaterCycle platform is designed to make hydrological modeling more accessible and user-friendly. We've also seen strong results using it in educational settings, particularly with students (BSc Thesis Projects & master course/thesis-projects). We invite you to explore eWaterCycle and would greatly value your participation and feedback as we continue to develop and improve the platform. Hopefully you will be able to implement our platform in your further research! (Note: If you are able, please bring a laptop, as this will be a hands-on session.)

Foodsheds

The Foodshed Information Service is a co-designed tool reflecting real risks and priorities across food systems. This workshop will focus on identifying useful indicators for various actors along the food value chain and pinpointing the most critical moments in the farming season using crop calendars. Your contributions will help ensure the service captures local realities and better supports timely, informed decision-making.

Uliza-WI Chatbot

Uliza-WI is a Telegram-based chatbot that delivers timely, localized weather updates and agricultural advice tailored to the needs of smallholder farmers. It includes decision-support tools such as 7-day and seasonal forecasts, crop and livestock recommendations. and extreme weather alerts-accessible anytime via mobile phone. The workshop will introduce the chatbot to farmer groups and collect their feedback to guide further development.

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