



Biographies of invitee organizations

EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY (ESA)

The European Space Agency develops Europe's space capabilities and aims to develop European investments into benefits for European citizens. ESA has 22 member states. Of specific interest for our workshop is its Copernicus program with its Sentinel missions.

Web: www.esa.int

SENTINEL-2 FOR AGRICULTURE (SEN2AGRI)

The Sentinel-2 for Agriculture project explores the unique opportunity that the Sentinel-2 mission offers to monitor agricultural processes. It contributes with research and development efforts to the GeoGLAM initiative and to the JECAM network activities.

Web: www.esa-sen2agri.org

OCP AFRICA

OCP Africa is a company operating in the domain of phosphate-based fertilizers. They aim at the African market, and are looking into the use of remote sensing to identify market opportunities.

Web: www.ocpafrika.com

COMPAGNY NATIONALE D'ASSURANCE AGRICOLE DU SÉNÉGAL (CNAAS)

The *Compagnie d'Assurance Agricole au Sénégal* is a public-private partnership between the state of Senegal and a number of (re-)insurance companies, operating in the domain of agricultural insurances. The organization has an interest in using remote sensing images in that context.

Web: www.cnaas.sn

NATIONAL SPACE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (NASRDA)

The National Space Research and Development Agency is Nigeria's national space agency. It sits under the Ministry of Science and Technology, and collaborates with the UK, China, Ukraine and Russia.

Web: www.nasrda.gov.ng

TANZANIA NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS

The Bureau has the mandate to provide to the Tanzanian government official statistics about the country's socio-economic environment. It serves the government, the private sector and the public domain.

Web: www.nbs.go.tz

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SERVICES

This globally operating NGO, with headquarters in Baltimore, Maryland, works in the domains of agricultural development, climate adaptation and disaster emergencies. The identity of LWR is "to work with people based on need, regardless of race, religion or nationality."

Web: www.lwr.org



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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UGANDA

The Ministry's vision is a competitive, profitable and sustainable agricultural sector. Its mission is to transform subsistence farming to commercial agriculture. "Enhancing crop production and productivity, in a sustainable and environmentally safe manner, for improved food and nutrition security, employment, widened export base and improved incomes of the farmers".

Web: <http://www.agriculture.go.ug/>

OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER, UGANDA

The office of the prime minister's vision is a Coordinated, Responsive and Accountable Government for Socio-Economic Transformation. Its mission is to instill and maintain efficient and effective systems in Government that enable Uganda to develop rapidly".

Web: <http://opm.go.ug/>

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (UNDP)

UNDP works in some 170 countries and territories, helping to achieve the eradication of poverty, and the reduction of inequalities and exclusion. "We help countries to develop policies, leadership skills, partnering abilities, institutional capabilities and build resilience in order to sustain development results."

Web: <http://www.undp.org/>

WORLD VISION

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with children, families, and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice.

Web: <http://www.worldvision.org/>

BABBAN GONA

Babban Gona's mission is to inspire and enable hardworking smallholder farmers to reach their full potential. Its vision is to improve the incomes and livelihoods of one million smallholder farmers by 2025. This will be achieved by transitioning these smallholder farmers to profitable commercial farmers through the provision of a holistic set of services. These enhanced, high quality and cost-effective services include training, financial services, agricultural inputs and marketing services.

Web: <http://www.babbangona.com/>

DIGITAL GREEN

Digital Green is a not-for-profit international development organization that uses an innovative digital platform for community engagement to improve lives of rural communities across South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa. "We partner with local public, private and civil society organizations to share knowledge on improved agricultural practices, livelihoods, health, and nutrition, using locally produced videos and human mediated dissemination".

Web: <https://www.digitalgreen.org/>



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MYSMARTFARM

MySmartFarm is a one-stop-shop-all software for all a farmer's data and technology. Hosted in the cloud, driven by statistics and powered by intelligent models and machine learning, it is designed for easy real-time 'anywhere-access', to empower farmers with scientific advice, optimizing decision and to save time and money.

Web: <http://mysmart.farm/>

USAID

USAID is the lead U.S. Government agency that works to end extreme global poverty and enable resilient, democratic societies to realize their potential. "We partner to end extreme poverty and promote resilient, democratic societies while advancing our security and prosperity".

Web: <https://www.usaid.gov/tanzania>

DIGITALGLOBE

"DigitalGlobe is the world's trusted provider of high-resolution Earth imagery, data, and analytics". Its purpose is: "Seeing a better world®, by giving our customers the power to see the Earth clearly and in new ways, we enable them to make our world a better place". Its vision is: "By 2020, be the indispensable source of information about your changing planet".

Web: <https://www.digitalglobe.com/>

NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY DIVISION, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES, TANZANIA (NFSD)

The vision of the Ministry is: Nucleus for providing policy guidance and services to a modernized, commercialized, competitive and effective agriculture and cooperative systems by 2025. Its mission is to deliver quality agricultural and cooperative services, provide conducive environment to stakeholders, build capacity of local Government Authorities and facilitate the private sector to contribute effectively to sustainable agricultural production, productivity and cooperative development. The objective of NFSD is to ensure that food security for all citizens is maintained at all levels and at all times.

Web: <http://www.kilimo.go.tz/>

PLANET LABS

"Planet is designing, building and launching satellites faster than any company or government in history. We use commodity consumer electronics to build highly capable satellites at drastically lower costs. With the most advanced satellites launching into orbit every 3-4 months, our capabilities are on the cutting edge and always advancing".

Web: <https://www.planet.com/>