

Agenda

Day 1, Wednesday 21 May 2025

Time (EAT)	Session
8:30 – 10:00	Closed session: Science systems futures Advisory Council meeting
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 – 11:00	Welcome and start <ul style="list-style-type: none">– African Academy of Sciences– International Science Council– International Development Research Centre
11:00 – 11:15	Scope of the workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">– David Castle, Chair of the Science systems futures project
11:15 – 12:00	Plenary: Expert presentations on emerging technologies <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Biotechnology for food and agriculture– Connectivity technologies– Data storage, management, sharing technologies– Robotics and AI– Virtual reality– AlphaFold & Co-scientist
12:00 – 13:00	Breakout groups: Technology profiles
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch and networking
14:30 – 15:00	Breakout groups: Wrap up technology profiles
15:00 – 16:00	Plenary: Report back from breakout groups and brainstorm on what technologies are missing from the discussion
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 17:30	Plenary: Implications for science systems
17:30	Wrap up and close of Day 1

Day 2, Wednesday 22 May 2025

Time (EAT)	Session
9:15 – 9:30	Reflections from Day 1 and scene-setting
9:30 – 11:00	Open session: Technologies in action Presentations from researchers and decision-makers on the emerging technologies they use and how science systems in different countries are supporting their adoption. <u>REGISTER TO JOIN ONLINE</u>
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:0 – 13:00	Plenary: Scaling for impact and success in science systems in the Global South A discussion on benefits of regional and/or cross-disciplinary collaboration
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch and networking
14:30 – 16:00	Plenary: Intersections between science and industry, private sector
16:00 – 16:30	Lunch and networking
14:30 – 15:00	Breakout groups: Wrap up technology profiles
15:00 – 16:00	Plenary: Report back from breakout groups and brainstorm on what technologies are missing from the discussion
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 17:30	Discussion on the resulting curated list of technology profiles and recommendations for science systems to adapt, next steps
17:30	Closing and vote of thanks