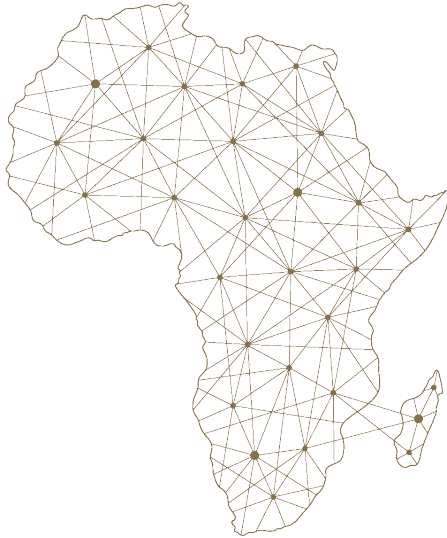




AFRICAN DATA SCIENCE CONFERENCE

24-26 JUNE 2026 WITS UNIVERSITY

Call for Tech Exhibitors

African Data Science Conference 2026

Wits Science Stadium, University of the Witwatersrand
Johannesburg, South Africa

24–26 June 2026

Optional workshops: 23 June 2026

Conference theme: African Data Science, for Africa

The ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition invites technology companies, start-ups, innovation hubs, public-sector innovation units, student teams, and research laboratories to showcase practical data science, AI, analytics, and digital innovation to a high-level African and international audience.

Conference website: <https://www.wits.ac.za/adsc2026/>

Registration: <https://adsconference.witsevents.co.za/register>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/african-data-science-conference/>

Applications: adsc2026@easychair.org

ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition at a Glance

MAIN CONFERENCE
24–26 June 2026

OPTIONAL WORKSHOPS
23 June 2026

HOST INSTITUTION
Wits University

VENUE
Wits Science Stadium

THEME
African Data Science, for Africa

FORMAT
In-person conference

Tech Exhibition Details

Tech exhibition session
Venue

Thursday, 25 June 2026, 16:00–17:30
Wits Science Stadium, University of the Witwatersrand,
Johannesburg

Application email
Required subject line

adsc2026@easychair.org
ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition Application -
[Organisation Name]

Brief Introduction

The African Data Science Conference 2026, hereafter referred to as ADSC 2026, is a major scholarly, professional, institutional, and continental conference hosted by the University of the Witwatersrand at the Wits Science Stadium in Johannesburg, South Africa. Convened under the theme *African Data Science, for Africa*, the conference brings together academics, postgraduate students, researchers, data scientists, artificial intelligence professionals, industry practitioners, policymakers, innovators, institutional leaders, development partners, and technology stakeholders.

ADSC 2026 seeks to strengthen the interface between research, industry, innovation, entrepreneurship, policy, and society. The conference recognises that data science and artificial intelligence generate meaningful impact when research excellence is connected to practical solutions, responsible innovation, institutional collaboration, and contextually relevant technological development.

Invitation to Tech Exhibitors

Technology companies, start-ups, innovation hubs, research laboratories, university innovation units, AI and data science teams, digital entrepreneurs, public-sector innovation units, student innovation teams, and technology-driven organisations are invited to apply to exhibit at the ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition.

About the Tech Exhibition

The ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition is a dedicated session within the conference designed to showcase technology-driven innovation, applied data science solutions, AI tools, digital platforms, analytics

products, research prototypes, start-up solutions, and industry applications.

Tech Exhibition Session

The ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition will take place on **Thursday, 25 June 2026**, from **16:00 to 17:30**, at the **Wits Science Stadium, University of the Witwatersrand**.

The session will provide exhibitors with an opportunity to engage conference delegates, researchers, students, industry leaders, policymakers, sponsors, innovation partners, and institutional stakeholders. It is intended to create a visible and interactive space for demonstrating how data science, AI, analytics, and digital technologies can generate value in African contexts.

Purpose of the Exhibition

The Tech Exhibition is designed to advance practical engagement between research, innovation, technology development, and professional practice.

Aims of the Tech Exhibition

- Showcase practical applications of data science, AI, analytics, and digital technologies.
- Create visibility for technology entrepreneurs, start-ups, companies, research teams, and innovation units.
- Connect exhibitors with academics, students, policymakers, industry practitioners, and potential partners.
- Highlight African-centred innovation and context-relevant technological solutions.
- Encourage collaboration between universities, industry, government, and innovation ecosystems.
- Demonstrate how data science and AI can be translated into real-world value.

Who Should Apply?

Applications are welcome from established organisations, emerging innovators, and early-stage teams whose work connects meaningfully with data science, AI, analytics, digital transformation, research translation, or technology-enabled development.

Exhibitors may include:

- technology companies;
- AI and data science start-ups;
- digital innovation hubs;
- university innovation and entrepreneurship units;
- research laboratories and applied research groups;
- software and analytics companies;
- cloud, data, cybersecurity, fintech, healthtech, edtech, agritech, climate-tech, and geospatial technology organisations;
- public-sector innovation units;
- student-led innovation teams;

- organisations developing responsible AI, data governance, or digital transformation solutions.

Suitable Exhibition Areas

Suitable exhibition areas include, but are not limited to:

- artificial intelligence and machine learning applications;
- data analytics platforms;
- digital business solutions;
- responsible AI and AI governance tools;
- fintech and risk analytics;
- health data analytics and healthtech;
- climate, sustainability, and geospatial analytics;
- education technology and data science learning platforms;
- cybersecurity and digital trust solutions;
- public-sector data innovation;
- cloud computing and data infrastructure;
- research prototypes and applied university projects;
- start-up innovations using data science, AI, or analytics.

What Exhibitors May Showcase

Exhibitors may showcase products, platforms, tools, services, prototypes, programmes, and initiatives that demonstrate technological innovation or applied data science value.

Possible showcases include:

- software platforms;
- dashboards and analytics tools;
- AI or machine learning applications;
- prototypes;
- digital products;
- research demonstrators;
- start-up solutions;
- data-driven services;
- educational tools;
- innovation programmes;
- institutional initiatives;
- partnership opportunities.

Benefits for Exhibitors

Visibility

Position your organisation before researchers, students, industry practitioners, policymakers, and institutional leaders.

Engagement

Demonstrate products, tools, services, and innovations to a specialist audience.

Networking

Connect with collaborators, funders, clients, partners, and sponsors.

Talent pipeline

Identify emerging data science, analytics, and AI talent.

Brand alignment

Associate your organisation with responsible innovation and African-centred data science.

Ecosystem building

Contribute to stronger links between research, industry, policy, and entrepreneurship.

Exhibition Pricing Packages

The following exhibition packages are available for ADSC 2026. These packages are designed to accommodate organisations of different sizes while ensuring a professional and engaging exhibition presence during the dedicated tech exhibition session.

Single Exhibitor Package

R4 500

PACKAGE DETAILS

- Exhibition space for one exhibitor representative.
- Suitable for individual innovators, start-ups, student teams, or small organisations.
- Participation in the ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition session.

A compact entry-level option for organisations or individuals seeking visibility and engagement at the exhibition.

Two-Exhibitor Package

R6 500

PACKAGE DETAILS

- Exhibition space for up to two exhibitor representatives.
- Suitable for small teams, start-ups, university units, or innovation groups.
- Participation in the ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition session.

An option for organisations that require a slightly larger exhibition presence and team representation.

Three-Exhibitor Package

R8 500

PACKAGE DETAILS

- Exhibition space for up to three exhibitor representatives.

- Suitable for larger teams, companies, innovation hubs, or institutional exhibitors.
- Participation in the ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition session.

A premium exhibition option for organisations seeking stronger visibility and broader team participation during the exhibition session.

Four-Exhibitor Package

R10 500

PACKAGE DETAILS

- Exhibition space for up to four exhibitor representatives.
- Suitable for medium-sized teams, companies, university units, or institutional exhibitors.
- Participation in the ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition session.

An expanded package for organisations requiring broader team presence and stronger engagement during the exhibition session.

Five-Exhibitor Package

R12 500

PACKAGE DETAILS

- Exhibition space for up to five exhibitor representatives.
- Suitable for larger organisations, innovation hubs, institutional teams, or multi-unit exhibitors.
- Participation in the ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition session.

A high-capacity package for organisations seeking broader representation, greater networking reach, and stronger visibility.

Six-Exhibitor Package

R13 500

PACKAGE DETAILS

- Exhibition space for up to six exhibitor representatives.
- Suitable for major organisations, consortia, large innovation teams, or flagship exhibitors.
- Participation in the ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition session.

A flagship exhibition option for organisations seeking maximum team participation and a strong presence at ADSC 2026.

Important note

Final exhibition logistics, including exact space allocation, setup arrangements, and any technical requirements, will be communicated to selected exhibitors after confirmation.

Exhibition Format

The Tech Exhibition will provide a structured but interactive space for exhibitors to engage conference participants. Exhibitors may be allocated exhibition tables, display space, or demonstration points depending on venue capacity and final arrangements.

Possible exhibition formats may include:

- exhibition booths or tables;
- live demonstrations;
- short product engagements;
- poster-style technology showcases;
- interactive demos;
- informal networking with delegates;
- possible short pitch or lightning showcase, if included in the final programme.

Participation Requirements

Exhibitors should be prepared to:

- provide a short description of the organisation or innovation;
- describe what they intend to exhibit;
- indicate any technical or space requirements;
- bring their own display materials where required;
- ensure that their exhibition is professional, respectful, and aligned with the academic and professional character of ADSC 2026;
- have representatives present during the exhibition period from **16:00 to 17:30 on 25 June 2026**.

Application Process

Applications must be sent by email to:

adsc2026@easychair.org

Applications email: adsc2026@easychair.org

Required subject line:

ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition Application – [Organisation Name]

Application deadline: 31 May 2026

Applicants should include the following:

- organisation name;
- contact person;
- contact email and phone number;
- organisation type;
- website or LinkedIn page, if available;
- short organisation profile of 100–150 words;
- title or name of product, platform, prototype, service, or innovation to be exhibited;

- short description of what will be showcased;
- relevance to data science, AI, analytics, digital innovation, or African development contexts;
- any technical requirements;
- number of representatives who will attend;
- any special logistical considerations.

Selection Process

Applications will be reviewed based on:

- relevance to the conference theme;
- fit with data science, AI, analytics, or digital innovation;
- innovation value;
- practical relevance;
- African or developmental relevance;
- readiness to exhibit;
- alignment with responsible innovation;
- available exhibition space.

Current Sponsors and Partners

ADSC 2026 gratefully acknowledges the support of its confirmed sponsors, partners, and institutional collaborators. Their contributions help strengthen the conference's mission while supporting research engagement, postgraduate development, industry collaboration, student participation, and responsible data science innovation across the continent.



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The ADSC 2026 Tech Exhibition offers technology organisations, start-ups, innovators, research teams, and university innovation units a meaningful opportunity to contribute to a major African conversation on data science, AI, analytics, and digital innovation. We invite exhibitors to participate in a session that will showcase practical solutions, foster collaboration, and highlight the role of technology in addressing African challenges and opportunities.

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