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Synchrotron Physics and X-ray Imaging Techniques Roadshow 18 - 27 October 2023 https://indico.ictp.it/event/10442/overview

The roadshow will bring experts in the field of Synchrotron Physics and X-ray Imaging Techniques to five universities across Zimbabwe.

Lectures and discussions will be held on topics including synchrotron physics, materials science with radioactive isotopes at ISOLDE – CERN, computed tomography, diffraction contrast tomography, ptychography and the applications of x-ray imaging techniques in materials science, geosciences, anatomical sciences, and palaeontology. Wednesday 18 October 2023: Harare Institute of Technology Friday 20 October 2023: University of Zimbabwe Monday 23 October 2023: Chinhoyi University of Technology Wednesday 25 October 2023: Midlands State University Friday 27 October 2023: National University of Science and Technology

SPEAKERS:

Kudakwashe Jakata, The Diamond Light Source, UK Hilary Masenda, School of Physics, University of the Witwatersrand Gideon Chinamatira, Evolutionary Studies Institute and School of Physics, University of the Witwatersrand







 Inform undergraduate and postgraduate students in Zimbabwe on x-ray synchrotrons and their science applications.

• AfLS 2024 Conference.

• Discuss the AfLS with senior university personnel get the message across to the government.

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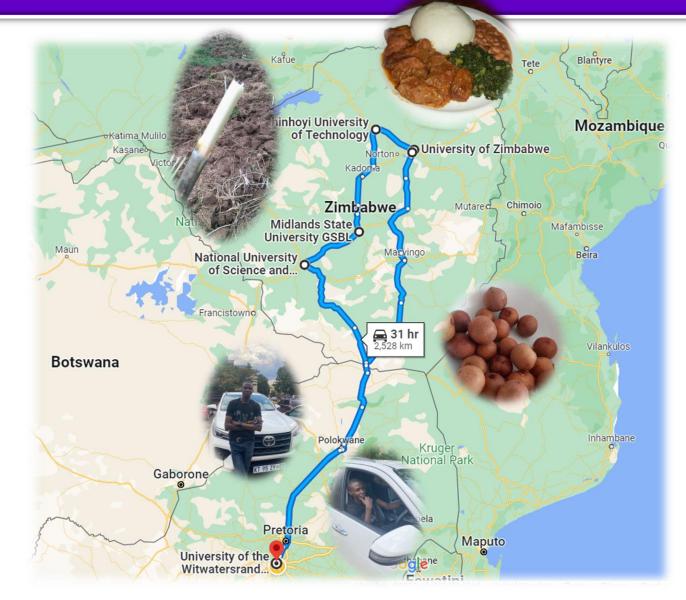




THE ROADSHOW ROUTE







Johannesburg to Harare

Harare to Chinhoyi

Chinhoyi to Gweru

Gweru to Bulawayo

Bulawayo to Johannesburg

Total driving distance – about 3 200 km



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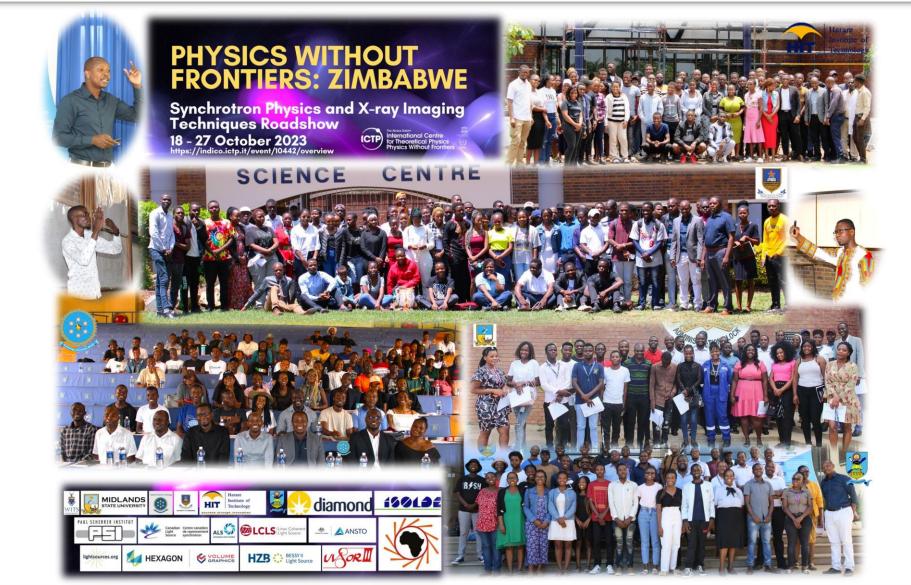
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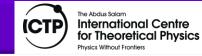
- Had meetings with senior institution personnel and discussed the AfLS and the message will be transmitted to the government.
- Request for a follow-up school/seminar and to form a group that will work on a synchrotron-related project.

HIGHLIGHTS



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A: Roadshow

- Electricity cut-offs at some venues.
- Program cut short at two institutions.

B: Research Challenges

- Limited research equipment leading up to the use of or need for advanced light sources.
- Funding for MSc positions in the country.

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Day 1 - ICTP-Physics Without Frontiers-Zimbabwe at Harare Institute of Technology with Kudakwashe Jakata and Hilary Masenda, Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Diamond Light Source ,Lightsources.org, IsoldaCERN, . . .



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PWF volunteers Kudakwashe Jakata, Hilary Masenda, and Gideon Chinamatira are travelling around Zimbabwe providing training to physics students in Synchrotron Physics and X-ray Imaging Techniques!



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Day 4 of the ICTP-Physics Without Frontiers- Zimbabwe Roadshow was held at Midlands State University on Wednesday 25 October 2023 with Kudakwashe Jakata and Hilary Masenda , supported by Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Diamond Light Source, Lightsources.org ISOLEatCERN.







- Identified a student for a possible PhD.
- Two samples for a research project using synchrotron imaging.
- Students interested in MSc related to advanced light sources.
- Collaborative projects to be undertaken.

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