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Innovations and Technology Adoption by Entrepreneurs: The Soilless Farmlab Story



Who we are...



- We are technology enablers for agriculture with a vision to ensure "a world where food production is not seasonal because hunger is not".
- To this end, we are deploying the use of protected cultivation, Hydroponics technology, and artificial intelligence in our irrigation systems for precision-based agriculture.
- We believe the process of food production must be such that it is healthy for the farmer, healthy for the consumer and healthy for the environment.
- Soilless Farm Lab is a technology enabler for agriculture, we develop tools, deploy and also train others in the use of the same technology.



Technology

This is the core of our drive, from inception to production and deployment, our approach is such that it must be healthy for the farmer, the consumer and the environment.

Business

It is a profit driven endeavour, thus for participants and practitioners, there is a need to ensure profitability for continuity.

Opportunity

Beyond what we are solving, together we utilize and share opportunities that exist in the agricultural space.





What we Do...



Trainings

- Enterprise for Youths In Agriculture (EYiA)
 - Boot camp
 - Work and Learn



Core Production

Production of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (Main focus is Horticulture)



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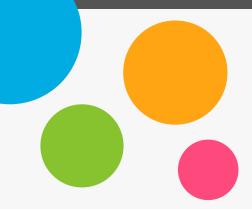
.Production of Herbs, Spices and Vegetables.



Agro -Trading

We buy and sell agricommodities, providing a market for our extensive network of farmers we have trained.

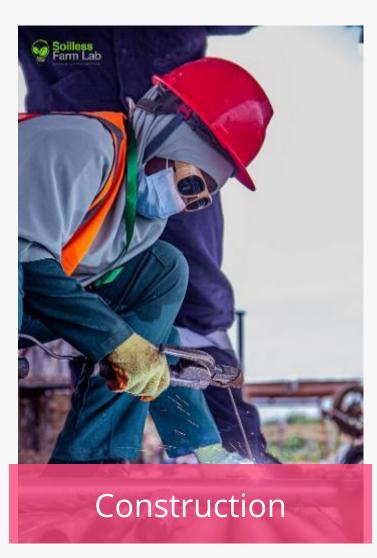




Our Engine For Technology Adoption: EYiA











- 1000 Youths Trained every Quarter (4000 per year) on Greenhouse construction, Irrigation and Hydroponics Set-up FOR FREE.
- **70% female** participation.
- Monthly stipends, post-graduation mentorship and Input Support
- Establish 20 new agribusiness companies every quarter (80 per year)





Our Numbers So Far

27,000+ youths trained on Hydroponics

200 Agric Companies Created

26,000+ Agri-jobs created

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Farmer Samson Ogbole (Team Lead) Soilless Farmlab

Thank you for Listening











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