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# Invitation to the Fourth Conference of the African Plant Breeders Association (APBA) October 6–8, 2025 | Elephant Hills Resort, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

**Pre-Conference Workshop: October 4–5, 2025**

The APBA wishes to invite you to participate in the Fourth Conference of the African Plant Breeders Association (APBA), to be held at the Elephant Hills Resort, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, from October 6–8, 2025. This will be preceded by an exclusive by invitation Pre- Conference Workshop on October 4–5, 2025.

This year’s conference will take place under the theme: ***“Winning the Race Against Food Insecurity, Malnutrition, and Climate Change through Genetic Innovation.”*** The event will bring together plant breeders, researchers, students, private sector representatives, and policymakers to exchange knowledge, showcase innovations, and explore solutions to some of the most urgent agricultural challenges of our time.

# Key Thematic Areas

* *Advances in Genetic Innovation and Technology*
* *Breeding for Nutrition Quality in Agri-food Systems*
* *Breeding for Enhanced Climate Resilience*
* *Opportunities in Underutilized Crops Research*
* *Seed Systems, Germplasm Conservation, and Enhancement*
* *Artificial Intelligence and Precision Phenotyping*
* *Capacity Building and Education in Crop Improvement*

The conference will feature keynote addresses, technical sessions, workshops, and exhibitions, offering a rich platform for networking, collaboration, and professional development.

We encourage you to join us, as your participation will contribute meaningfully to shaping the future of agricultural innovation in Africa.

This letter is issued in support of your application for **institutional clearance** and a **visa** to facilitate his travel and participation in this important event.

# Additional Information

Further details—including registration, accommodation options, and logistics—are available on our conference website: [africanplantbreeders.org/apba-conference-2025](https://africanplantbreeders.org/apba-conference-2025/)

For inquiries, please contact us at: [info\_apba@wacci.ug.edu.gh](mailto:info_apba@wacci.ug.edu.gh)

We look forward to welcoming you to Victoria Falls for this exciting and impactful gathering. Yours sincerely,

**Julia Sibiya**

Prof. Julia Sibiya

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