African Geodetic Reference Frame (AFREF) is a modern and uniform geodetic reference frame for Africa, fully consistent with the International Terrestrial Reference Frame (ITRF) and global coordinate systems to support national, regional and global applications in Africa including civil aviation, regional infrastructural development, Land administration and management, precision & commercial farming, weather forecast, and other earth science studies. AFREF is composed of a network of Continuously Operating Reference Stations (CORS) using Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSSS) technologies. AFREF data and products are freely available and are being used in various positioning applications with positioning accuracy of sub-meter to millimeter levels.

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Course Objectives: The purpose of the course is to provide knowledge and skills on the establishment of real time geodetic networks using real time control points/monuments inform of CORS using GNSS technologies to support various positioning applications.

Target Group: The qualifying participants shall be Land surveyors, Geodesist, Engineers, Earth Research Scientists, Cartographers from African countries with experience in Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) technologies.

Content:
- Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) Technologies & Applications
- GNSS Augmentation Systems and Availability in Africa
- AFREF Concepts, Applications and Progress
- Continuously Operating GNSS Reference Stations (CORS), and Real Time GNSS Geodetic Networks (RGTN) concepts and needs to implement
- GNSS Augmentation Systems and Availability in Africa
- Reference systems, AFREF, datum and Coordinate systems
- Practical field works on Static GNSS surveys, RTK using Base/Rover, RTK using CORS
- Practical GNSS data post processing and reporting using open source software

Accommodation can be arranged from USD 40 bed & breakfast

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