

Trans-African Hydro-Meteorological Observatory

A solution to provide weather observations in Africa



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TAHMO's purpose and obective



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Station design : objectives

- ✓ Low cost (initial goal was <\$500)
- ✓ Robust
- ✓ Connected to the cellular network
- ✓ No moving parts
- \checkmark Adapted to the African climate





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Developed in collaboration with the Meter Group



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Today's TAHMO weather station

✓ Temperature

- Air temperature (-40-50°C, 0.1°C, ±0.6°C)
- Humidity sensor temperature (-40-50°C, 0.1°C, ±1°C)
- ✓ Relative Humidity (0 -100%, 0,1%, ±3% RH)
- ✓ Solar radiation (0-1750W/m², 1 W/m², ±5%)
- ✓ Vapor Pressure (0 47kPa, 0.01kPa, ± 0.02kPa)
- ✓ Barometric pressure (50-110 kPa, 0.01kPa, 0.1 kPa)
- ✓ Sonic anemometer
 - Horizontal wind speed (0-40m/s, 0.01m/s, > of 3% or 0.3m/s)
 - Wind gust (0-40m/s, 0.01m/s, > of 3% or 0.3m/s)
 - Wind direction (0-359°, 1°, ± 5%)
- ✓ **Drip-count precipitation** (0-400mm/h, 0.017mm, ±5% between 0-50mm/h)

Other features:

- \checkmark 5 open ports
- ✓ Solar w/ 6-mo battery
- ✓ GPRS communication

- ✓ GPS location
- ✓ Compass
- ✓ Lightning detector



Data assimilation and availability



Current TAHMO stations/countries



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