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INSIGHTS · GROW ZAMBIA SUMMIT 2026

Putting AI at the centre of Zambia's growth, and of ours

On 28 November we join the Grow Zambia Summit in Lusaka with an AI-first plan. How AI, supported by Datalytics, analytics and software development, fits each part of the Grow Zambia agenda, what we expect from the day, and how the agenda can help us grow.

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01 **Artificial intelligence** The lead pillar

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Grow Zambia Summit 2026 · Youth Edition
Saturday 28 November 2026 · Lusaka · organised by BeRelevant Afrika

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On Saturday 28 November 2026, Big Five Analytics will attend the **Grow Zambia Summit 2026, Youth Edition**, organised by BeRelevant Afrika in Lusaka. The summit responds to the Grow Zambia agenda that President Hakainde Hichilema presented on 1 September 2026: a national shift from economic stabilisation towards growth, production, employment, investment and shared prosperity.

Each of the summit's three conversations is expected to produce two to three commitments and one measurable target for the coming year. These will form the **Grow Zambia Declaration**, which will be presented to Government and development partners and reviewed at each summit over the next five years.

> **Artificial intelligence is the pillar of how Big Five Analytics will run and grow, and we believe it should be a pillar of how Zambia grows too.**
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> OUR POSITION GOING INTO THE SUMMIT

OUR APPROACH

AI first: how our work fits together

Putting AI first does not mean using AI for everything. It means designing our products, services and own operations around what AI can do well, and building the foundations it needs to do it safely. At Big Five Analytics that work rests on four pillars, with AI leading:

1 LEAD PILLAR

Artificial intelligence

We build assistants and document tools on large language models: help assistants for websites and staff, document search and summarisation, and extraction of key fields from forms and tender documents. Alongside them we build machine learning models that classify, predict or flag records where there is enough good data to justify them. Every tool has clear limits on what it may do, and a person reviews anything consequential.

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Datalytics: the data foundation

AI is only as good as the data behind it, and in Zambia that data is scattered across dozens of websites, reports and offices. **Datalytics**, our Africa Dataset Marketplace, gathers Zambian datasets in one place. Each one is traced to its official source, cleaned, documented and ready to download in Excel, CSV, Stata, SPSS or R. Datalytics launches at the end of 2026.

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Analytics: turning data into decisions

We clean and analyse data, build forecasts and dashboards, and design research and monitoring and evaluation. This is how organisations check that a decision, a programme or an AI model is actually working.

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Software development: AI in everyday work

AI only creates value when it reaches the people doing the work. We build web systems that replace spreadsheets and paper, such as our Tender Automation System, Quotation Generator, and Financial and Project Management System. These are where AI features like document extraction and smart search become part of daily operations.

THE FOUR PILLARS WORK AS A CHAIN

Datalytics supplies trusted data → **Analytics** turns it into evidence → **AI** automates and scales the insight → **Software** delivers it to users

We use the same chain inside our own company first, and then for our clients.

THE SUMMIT

How Big Five Analytics fits the Grow Zambia agenda

The summit is built around three conversations. Here is what we expect from each, and where our AI-first approach fits.

01 Build the People

AI and digital skills

THE SUMMIT ASKS

How do we create and sustain the skills needed to drive Zambia's growth? The topics include STEM and digital skills, AI and emerging technologies, and the gap between what graduates learn and what employers need.

WHAT WE EXPECT

A clear picture of which AI and data skills employers, government and young entrepreneurs are missing, and a commitment in the Declaration that treats AI literacy as a core skill, not a specialist one.

WHERE WE FIT

We already teach the safe use of AI tools at work, an introduction to machine learning, data analysis with Python and SQL, and Power BI, as well as our Data Science Boot Camp. Datalytics gives learners real, cleaned Zambian data to practise on, so they learn with local problems rather than foreign examples.

02 Create the Opportunities

AI inside the value chains

THE SUMMIT ASKS

What stops a young Zambian from entering the country's priority value chains of agriculture, mining, energy, tourism and livestock? Is it finance, markets, technology, procurement, mentorship or regulation?

WHAT WE EXPECT

To hear where young businesses lose the most time and money, and which of those barriers technology could lower.

WHERE WE FIT

AI can cut the paperwork that keeps small firms out of public contracts, for example by reading tender documents and pulling out requirements and deadlines. Our tendering, quotation and finance systems already handle the surrounding work. Datalytics adds market evidence: prices, exchange rates, trade, energy, and weather and climate data for agri-tech, energy and tourism businesses planning their next move.

03 Deliver the Growth

AI and data for accountability

THE SUMMIT ASKS

How do we make sure the growth agenda becomes a lived reality, beyond the corridors of decision-making? The topics include data and measurement, monitoring and evaluation, and accountability.

WHAT WE EXPECT

To understand how Government and partners will measure progress on the Declaration's commitments, and what data they will need.

WHERE WE FIT

This is where all four pillars meet:

- **Datalytics** can provide cited baseline indicators.
- **Analytics** can design the measurement and dashboards.
- **AI** can help monitor progress at scale, for example by summarising reports and flagging where targets are slipping.
- **Software** can make the results public and easy to follow.

We will offer to help make the Declaration's commitments measurable from the start.

OUR GROWTH

How the Grow Zambia agenda can help Big Five Analytics grow

OUR VISION

To become **Zambia's leading centre of excellence in data science and artificial intelligence**, helping organisations and government make smarter decisions that accelerate national development.

OUR MISSION

To deliver reliable analytics and AI solutions to real-world problems, and to close the technology gap through hands-on capacity building and research partnerships.

The Grow Zambia agenda moves the country in the same direction, and it creates the conditions for a Zambian AI company to grow into a leading technology company:

Growth creates demand for evidence

An agenda built on production, jobs and investment needs data and measurement. Datalytics and our analytics work are built to meet that demand.

Value chains need automation

Agriculture, mining, energy and tourism depend on records, procurement and logistics. That is where AI and practical software save the most time, and Zambian firms understand those conditions best.

AI skills are the next bottleneck

If the country commits to digital and AI skills, it needs local trainers who teach with local data. That is what our courses and Datalytics make possible.

Partnerships open the door

The summit brings together Government, development partners, established companies and young founders. These are the partners our AI-first plan depends on.

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We are also building on trust. Big Five Analytics is registered with PACRA and is a **registered data processor with the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner**. Responsible AI starts with handling people's data lawfully.

Our ambition is to become Zambia's leading AI and technology company. We will not get there through size, but by being the team people trust to turn data into decisions and AI into everyday results. We will earn that one delivered project at a time. The Grow Zambia agenda gives us a national direction to build towards.

Meet us at the summit

We are not exhibiting this year. Our team is coming to listen, take part in the conversations, and meet the people shaping Zambia's growth. If you are attending, come and say hello. We would like to hear:

- what you need from AI and data in your work or business;
- which Zambian datasets you struggle to find, so Datalytics can prioritise them;
- where you think young people and technology companies can do the most for the Grow Zambia agenda.

If you cannot make it, get in touch at **admin@bigfiveanalytics.net**. After the summit we will publish what we take away: the commitments in the Declaration, what we learned in each conversation, and what Big Five Analytics will do next as a result.

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Turning data into decisions, and AI into everyday results.

Big Five Analytics Limited is a Zambian technology company. We build software, analyse data, develop AI tools and train teams, so that organisations can run on better information.

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