

Department of ICT  
Faculty of Technological Studies  
**UNIVERSITY OF VAVUNIYA**

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# TECH SAFARI

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## STUDENT FIELD VISIT HANDBOOK

*June - July 2026*

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*Explore · Engage · Elevate*

**WSO2**  
**Zone24x7**  
**IFS**

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*Organized by: Department of ICT, Faculty of Technological Studies  
University of Vavuniya, Sri Lanka*

## Welcome to Tech Safari 2026

Welcome, future tech professionals! Tech Safari is the flagship Industry Field Visit Series of the Department of ICT, Faculty of Technological Studies, University of Vavuniya. It is designed to bridge the gap between academic learning and real-world industry experience.

Over three carefully curated visits to leading IT companies in Sri Lanka, you will immerse yourself in professional environments, witness cutting-edge technologies in action, and build connections that could shape your career. This handbook is your essential companion throughout the entire series.

## About the Series

Tech Safari 2026 consists of three field visits to world-class IT companies headquartered or operating in Sri Lanka. Each visit is an opportunity to:

- Witness enterprise-grade software development and IT operations in practice.
- Interact with industry professionals and receive candid career guidance.
- Understand the culture, structure, and working environment of leading IT firms.
- Network with peers and potential future colleagues in the industry.
- Contextualise and validate what you have learned in the classroom.

## Visit Overview

Visit	Company	Date	Time	Capacity
Visit 01	WSO2	17th June 2026 (Wed)	9:30 AM - 2:30 PM	50 Students
Visit 02	Zone24x7	1st July 2026 (Wed)	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM	50 Students
Visit 03	IFS	9th July 2026 (Thu)	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM	50 Students

*Note: Students may attend one or more visits. Capacity is limited to 50 students per visit. Registration is managed via the online student portal.*

## Registration & Tickets

### IMPORTANT -- Registration Information

Student registration and ticket allocation for Tech Safari 2026 are managed exclusively through the **TECH SAFARI Online Student Portal**. Physical registration forms and printed tickets are NOT required. Please follow the steps below.

## How to Register via the Student Portal

1. Log in to the TECH SAFARI Online Student Portal using your student credentials.
2. Submit your registration. A confirmation and digital ticket will be sent to your registered email.
3. Find your visit -- WSO2, Zone24x7, or IFS.
4. Present your digital ticket (or a printed copy) at the meeting point on the day of the visit.

<b>Registration Closes</b>	7 days before each visit date
<b>Seats Per Visit</b>	50 students (first-come, first-served)
<b>Confirmation</b>	Digital ticket sent to your email
<b>Support Contact</b>	yashensavindu@gmail.com   +94 711 974 973

## Organizing Committee

Tech Safari 2026 is organized by a dedicated student and faculty committee from the Department of ICT, Faculty of Technological Studies, University of Vavuniya.

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## Rules & Code of Conduct

All students are expected to uphold the highest standards of professional behaviour during each visit.

### General Rules

- Attendance is mandatory once registered. Notify the coordinator at least 48 hours in advance if unable to attend.
- After the final date of company swapped, no student will be allowed to change their company allocation.

- Arrive at the designated meeting point at least 15 minutes before the scheduled departure time.
- Wear your Visitor ID at all times inside company premises.
- Smart-casual or formal attire is required. Avoid torn jeans, slippers, or overly casual wear.
- Switch mobile phones to silent mode during presentations and guided tours.
- Photography or video recording is only permitted with the explicit permission of the company host.
- Do not touch any equipment, servers, or company property unless specifically invited to do so.
- Do not share or post any confidential business information seen during visits on social media.

### IT Industry Visit Etiquette

- Listen actively during presentations -- avoid using your phone or having side conversations.
- Raise your hand politely to ask questions during designated Q&A sessions only.
- Be respectful of employees' time; they are dedicating part of their working day for your benefit.
- Write down key observations and takeaways as you go.
- Always thank your hosts at the end of each visit.

### Safety & Security

- Follow all security protocols at the company entrance, including ID verification and bag checks.
- Do not wander off from the group. Stay with the designated guide at all times.
- Report any safety concerns immediately to the faculty student coordinators.

### What to Bring

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- University student ID card (mandatory for company entry).
- Your digital Tech Safari ticket.
- A notebook and pen for taking notes.
- Water bottle and light refreshments if needed.

# WSO2

Sri Lanka's Largest Software Company | API, Integration & Cloud

[wso2.com](http://wso2.com)

*Sri Lanka's Largest Software Company -- Powering Digital Transformation Globally*

## About the Company

WSO2 was founded in 2005 by Dr. Sanjiva Weerawarana and Dr. Paul Fremantle with a bold mission: to build the world's best open-source software company out of Sri Lanka. Today, WSO2 is Sri Lanka's largest software company, serving over 800 enterprise customers across 90+ countries. With 900+ employees -- the vast majority based in Sri Lanka -- WSO2 has proven that world-class enterprise software can be conceived and built right here at home. Its platforms power global giants including Wells Fargo, AT&T, eBay, Cisco, Jaguar Land Rover, Qantas Airlines, Standard Chartered Bank, and many more.

<b>Founded</b>	August 4, 2005
<b>Headquarters</b>	Colombo, Sri Lanka (Global HQ) · Offices in USA, UK, Germany, Brazil, Australia
<b>Industry</b>	Enterprise Software / Open Source Middleware
<b>Focus Areas</b>	API Management · Integration · Digital Identity & Access Management · Cloud Platforms
<b>Sri Lanka Address</b>	WSO2 Head Office, Colombo, Sri Lanka   <a href="http://wso2.com">wso2.com</a>

## Key Highlights

- Founded in Sri Lanka; serves 800+ enterprises across 90+ countries worldwide.
- Products cover API management, system integration, and digital identity management.
- Fully open-source software, recognised by leading analysts Gartner and Forrester.
- Executes over 60 trillion transactions and manages over 1 billion digital identities annually.
- Cloud solutions include Choreo (integration platform) and Asgardeo (identity management).
- Active university internship programme -- one of the first companies to offer this in Sri Lanka.
- Local customers include Dialog, Sampath Bank, HNB, Cargills Bank, and MAS Holdings.

## Visit Schedule

<b>Date</b>	17th June 2026 (Wednesday)
<b>Time</b>	9:30 AM to 2:30 PM
<b>No. of Students</b>	50 Students

## Learning Objectives

- Gain exposure to real-world enterprise IT environments and professional work culture.
- Understand the technical domains, current projects, and products of the company.
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- Observe agile practices, software development processes, and team collaboration in action.

## Pre-Visit Preparation

- Research the company's main products, services, and any recent news before the visit.
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# Zone24x7

Digital Transformation | AI, IoT & Embedded Systems

[zone24x7.com](http://zone24x7.com)

*Digital Transformation Specialists -- Bridging Hardware, Software & Artificial Intelligence*

## About the Company

Zone24x7 is a digital transformation partner to organisations ranging from tech startups to Fortune 500 companies. Established by Founder CEO Llavan Fernando, Zone24x7 is headquartered in San Jose, California, with its world-class technology hub in Colombo, Sri Lanka. What sets Zone24x7 apart is its rare capability to combine hardware and software into cohesive end-to-end solutions -- a skill held by only a handful of companies worldwide. In 2025, Zone24x7 won seven industry awards including top honours at the SLASSCOM National Ingenuity Awards and the NBQSA National ICT Awards.

<b>Founded</b>	2003 / 2004
<b>Headquarters</b>	San Jose, California, USA (Technology Hub: Colombo, Sri Lanka)
<b>Industry</b>	Technology Consulting & Engineering / AI / IoT / Embedded Systems
<b>Focus Areas</b>	Artificial Intelligence & ML · Embedded Systems · IoT · Data Science · Enterprise Software · Robotics
<b>Sri Lanka Address</b>	No. 460, Nawala Road, Koswatte, Colombo, Sri Lanka   <a href="http://zone24x7.com">zone24x7.com</a>

## Key Highlights

- Over 20 years of experience serving 50+ enterprise customers across diverse industries.
- Unique capability to integrate hardware and software into complete, end-to-end solutions.
- Services span AI/ML, Big Data, Embedded Systems, IoT, Robotics, DevOps, and Cloud.
- ISO/IEC 27001:2013 certified for Information Security Management.
- Multiple pending patents and a strong research & development foundation.
- Winner of seven technology awards in 2025 -- SLASSCOM, NBQSA, and IoT Technology of the Year.
- Actively involved in educational outreach, including the 'AI for Kids' initiative with STEMUP Foundation.

## Visit Schedule

<b>Date</b>	1st July 2026 (Wednesday)
<b>Time</b>	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
<b>No. of Students</b>	50 Students

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*The World's Leading Provider of Industrial AI & Enterprise Software*

### About the Company

IFS is a global technology powerhouse and the world's leading provider of Industrial AI and enterprise software for asset-intensive industries. Founded in Sweden in 1983, IFS has been operating in Sri Lanka since 1997. Today IFS Sri Lanka is the company's single largest global hub, with over 2,500 employees -- approximately 40% of IFS's entire worldwide workforce. Sri Lanka handles close to 80% of IFS's global product support services and 60% of global product development. IFS has been consistently ranked as the second largest technology employer in Sri Lanka and exceeded \$1 billion in global revenue in 2023.

<b>Founded</b>	1983 · Sri Lanka operations since 1997
<b>Headquarters</b>	Linköping, Sweden (Sri Lanka Hub: Orion City & Access Towers 2, Colombo)
<b>Industry</b>	Enterprise Resource Planning · Field Service Management · Industrial AI
<b>Focus Areas</b>	ERP · Enterprise Asset Management (EAM) · Field Service Management (FSM) · Cloud · Industrial AI
<b>Sri Lanka Address</b>	Orion Tower 1, Dr. Danister De Silva Mawatha, Colombo 09   ifs.com

### Key Highlights

- Sri Lanka is IFS's primary global development and support centre -- 40% of global staff based here.
- Over 2,500 employees in Sri Lanka across R&D, Support, Consulting, and Cloud Operations.
- Operates from two Colombo locations: Orion City (Colombo 9) and Access Towers 2 (Colombo 2).
- Global revenue exceeded \$1 billion in 2023, with 30% year-on-year growth.
- Recognised market leader in ERP, Enterprise Asset Management, and Field Service Management.
- Partners with local universities and technical institutes for software training and recruitment.
- IFS Foundation actively invests in Sri Lankan community development and poverty alleviation projects.

## Visit Schedule

<b>Date</b>	9th July 2026 (Thursday)
<b>Time</b>	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
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