



SoilHive

Unlocking soil data for a sustainable future



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Challenges with the current soil data system

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Limited access & fragmentation

High variability in soils complicates accurate assessments.

Soil **data is scattered across organizations**, making access and synthesis difficult

(Paterson et al., 2015)

Lack of standardization

Legacy **data is incomplete** and hard to combine with new sources.

Lack of common standards leads to inconsistencies and knowledge gaps

(Todd-Brown et al., 2022)

Uneven data coverage

Global soil data **coverage is uneven**, with southern regions like often relying on global soil **maps that may not accurately represent local conditions**

(Bodenstein et al., 2022)

Barriers to sharing

Soil data is **not easily shared across regions**, limiting collaboration

Poor metadata and documentation make **many datasets unusable**

(Todd-Brown et al., 2022)



Building a playground for different stakeholders

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Soil Data Discovery

- > Access and download soil data instantly
- > Retrieve metadata and explore datasets on the fly

Data Sharing and Networking

- > Share soil data under customizable licenses
- > Expand soil knowledge while increasing visibility

Data Gap Analysis

- > Assess availability across regions and time
- > Avoid duplication by leveraging existing datasets

Private Data Hub

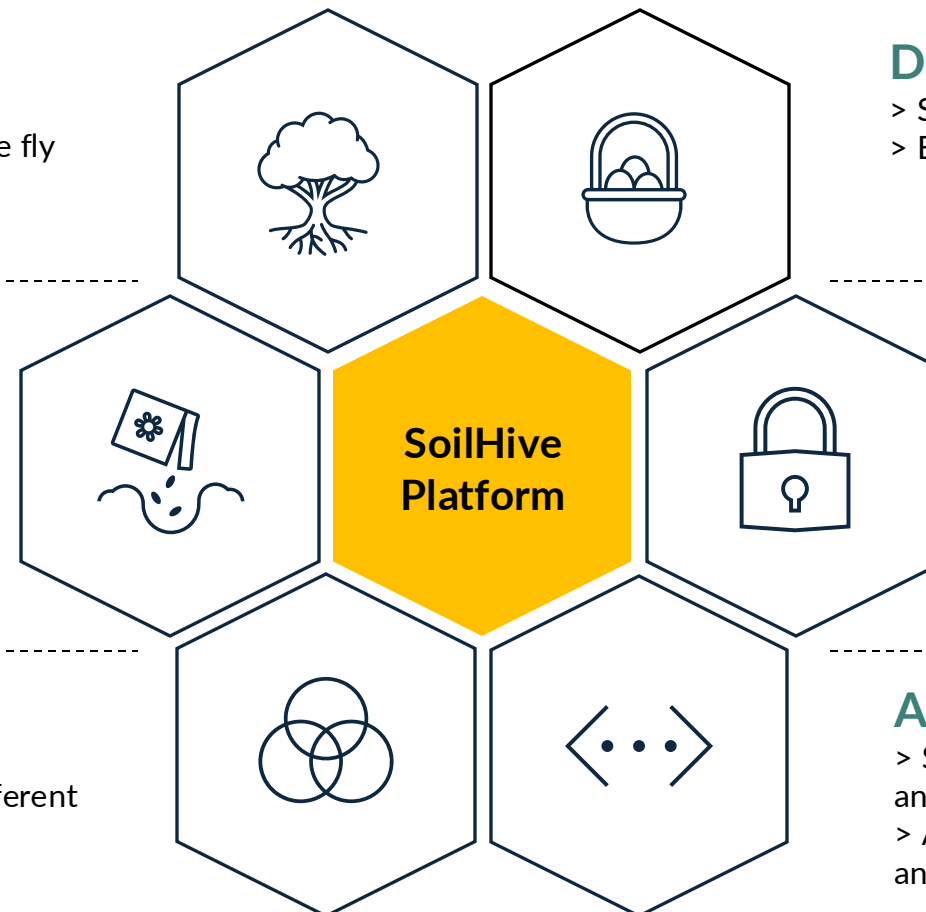
- > Secure data sharing with authorized users
- > Easy discoverability to partners thanks to standardized metadata

Comparison

- > Validate and cross-check multiple sources
- > Analyze variations in soil properties across different locations

API Integration

- > Seamless connection with FMIS, AgTech, FinTech and other applications
- > Access to structured soil data for AI training and analytics



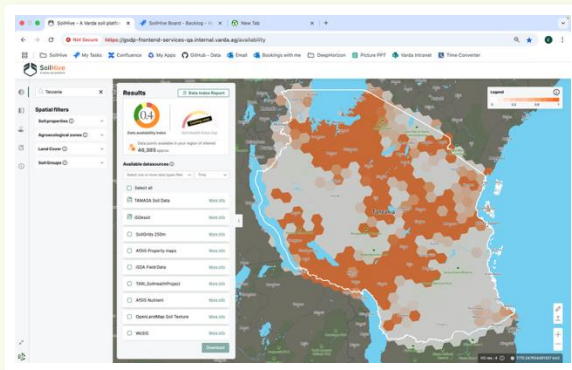
A unique value proposition

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Faster access

Find the right data instantly

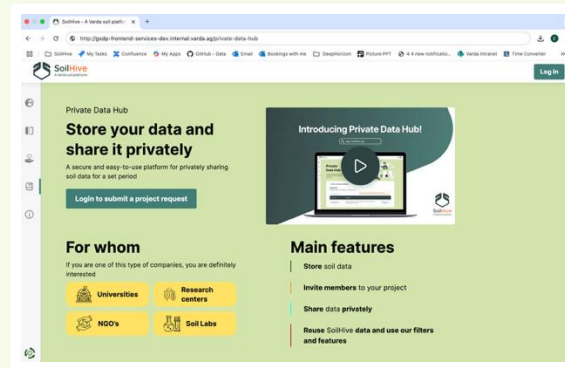
- No more scattered sources, **everything in one place**
- **Standardized formats** for seamless use across platforms.
- **Field-specific tracking** ensures precision and reliability



Open & secure collab.

Your data, your way

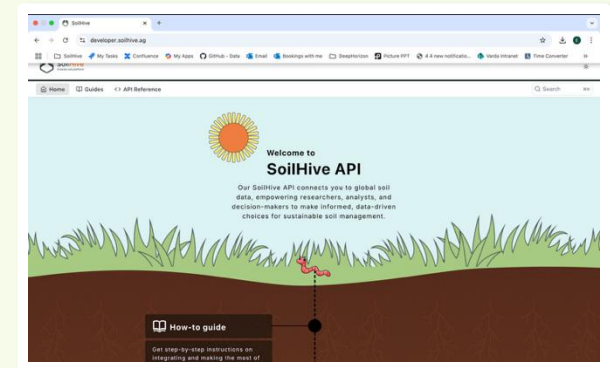
- **Choose how to share:** Open access or secure sharing via **Private Data Hub**
- **Increase the visibility of your data** and connect with potential collaborators
- Work within a community!



Interop. & integration

Make data work for you

- **API-ready** to connect effortlessly with FMIS, AgTech, and research tools
- No black-box analytics
- Enhance existing tools



Bringing value to different stakeholders

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TARGET USERS

WITHOUT SOILHIVE

WITH SOILHIVE

<p>Scientist</p>	<p>Researchers spend 40% of their time searching for and cleaning soil data, often relying on scattered, unstructured sources.</p>	<p>Easy access to structured soil data for long-term studies, predictive analytics, and AI models. Enables validation of remote sensing applications and reduces duplication efforts.</p>
<p>Policy Maker</p>	<p>Lack visibility on available soil data beyond their geography and across time, making it difficult to address global environmental challenges or identify underserved regions.</p>	<p>Evidence-based policymaking in agriculture & land management. Monitor land degradation, climate adaptation, and soil fertility trends to support sustainability efforts.</p>
<p>Agribusiness & AgTech Companies</p>	<p>Data is fragmented and difficult to integrate into decision-making tools. Information is often not linked to specific fields, making reuse challenging.</p>	<p>Effortless soil data access & integration into any digital agricultural solution. Enables better fertilizer recommendations, sustainability claims, and improved crop management strategies.</p>
<p>Soil Data Owner (farmer, institute, governmental dept)</p>	<p>Setting up and maintaining a custom soil data infrastructure is expensive and requires specialized skills.</p>	<p>Private Data Hub for secure storage while leveraging SoilHive's global dataset and features. Improved insights through metadata sharing and expanded data availability.</p>



THANKS!

Do you have any questions?

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