

## Wenceslaus Kutekwatekwa Profile

Wence is the Consulting Director and CEO of Virimai Projects, an early stage private mining consulting and project management organization.

He is a distinctively driven mining engineer with skills covering mining production, planning and technical, project management, contract management, marketing, organizational development, executive management and governance roles, which have been acquired in 30 years in the mining industry in Zimbabwe. He started his mining career with the Anglo-American group where he worked for twelve years up to mine manager level. He then later worked as Business Value Planning Manager for Zimasco, Technical Executive for African Associated Mines, Consulting Mining Engineer for Bindura Nickel Corporation, General Manager for Zimasco North Dyke Division, Country Manager for Atlas Copco Zimbabwe, Chief Operating Officer for RioZim and Managing Director for RioGold.

Wence is past president of the Association of Mine Managers of Zimbabwe (AMMZ), past chairman of the Southern African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (SAIMM), past chairman of the SHE Committee of the Chamber of Mines, and past chairman of Mine Rescue Association of Zimbabwe (MRAZ)

He has served as board chairman for the Project Management Zimbabwe (PMZ), as member of the Board for the Zimbabwe School of Mines (ZSM) and also Hwange Colliery Company Limited (HCCL), where he was chairman of the Audit Committee. He sits on the Industrial Advisory Board of the University of Zimbabwe School of Earth & Mineral Sciences, and also sits on the boards of Premier Service Microfinance (Pvt) Ltd, Chishawasha Land Project (Pvt) Ltd and Connehouse Mining (Pvt) Ltd.

Wence is a Fellow of the Institute of Directors of Zimbabwe (IoDZ), a Fellow of the Southern African Institute of Mining

and Metallurgy (SAIMM) and Fellow of the Commonwealth Academy of Leadership and Management -UK (CALM). He has received Awards of Honour from MRAZ, AMMZ, ZSM and SAIMM. Wence is a philanthropist and has also been honoured for contribution to Humanity, Society and Philanthropy.