



Conference Theme

Infrastructure Innovation: Harnessing New Technologies for Improved Service Delivery

The Venue



The Victoria Falls is one of the seven natural wonders of the world and a UNESCO Heritage Site. The Elephant Hills Hotel is the conference venue and is situated 4 km from the Victoria Falls central business district, on a small hill. The hotel provides panoramic views of the Zambezi River and spray from the Victoria Falls. This luxury hotel is decorated with an ethnic essence of Zimbabwe and even boasts an impressive miniature replica of the Victoria Falls in the middle. The Elephant Hills Hotel certainly does not lack entertainment with two swimming pools, tennis courts, squash courts, and much more. The building with its thatched roof is an unmistakable landmark in the area, and it blends well into the surroundings

FOREWORD



In the words of the great civil engineer **Henry Petroski**,

"As engineers, we were going to be in a position to change the world– not just study it."

This conference embodies that spirit. It is a platform to explore how emerging technologies-ranging from smart infrastructure systems to digital construction tools- can be harnessed to improve service delivery, enhance resilience, and unlock inclusive growth.

Our conference theme, *Infrastructure Innovation: Harnessing New Technologies for Improved Service Delivery*, is both timely and urgent. Across Zimbabwe and the continent, the demand for efficient, adaptive, and future-ready infrastructure has never been greater. Engineers must lead this deliberate transformation not only with technical expertise but with ethical foresight, strategic partnerships and a commitment to societal impact.

Let us be guided by the words of **Theodore von Kármán**,

"Scientists study the world as it is; engineers create the world that never has been."

Infrastructure Investment Conference Theme: Infrastructure Innovation – Harnessing New Technologies for Improved Service Delivery

It is with great pride and anticipation that I welcome you to the 2025 edition of the Zimbabwe Institution of Engineers' Infrastructure Investment Conference. This gathering marks a pivotal moment in our national and regional engineering journey - a moment where vision, innovation, and collaboration converge to shape the future of infrastructure development.

As engineering professionals, we are called not only to build but to imagine boldly and deliver sustainably.

Let this conference be a catalyst for that creationa space where ideas are tested, innovations are born, and investments are aligned with the aspirations of our people.

On behalf of the ZIE Conference Planning Committee, I extend my deepest gratitude to our conference resource persons, panelists, sponsors, delegates and partners. Your presence affirms the vital role engineering plays in shaping a prosperous Zimbabwe.

Let us build not just structures, technologies and systems but memorable legacies.

Dr Eng T M StevensonZIE Conference Planning Chairperson

ZIE CPC Chairman's Opening Statement

Dr Eng. Tammy Stevenson

Greetings, distinguished guests, esteemed facilitators, partners and fellow delegates. On behalf of the Conference Planning Committee (CPC), it is my distinct honor and pleasure to welcome you all to this year's Infrastructure Investment Conference. We gather at a pivotal one where the convergence momentinnovation, investment, and intent holds the power to redefine how infrastructure serves our communities, economies, and future generations. Our theme, 'Infrastructure Innovation- Harnessing New Technologies for Improved Service Delivery,' is not just a call to action. It is a recognition that the systems we build today must be smarter, more inclusive, and more resilient than ever before. Over the course of this conference, we explore five dynamic sub-themes that reflect the transformative potential emerging technologies:

- 1. Smart Infrastructure- where Artificial Intelligence, the Internet of Things, and data analytics are no longer futuristic concepts, but present-day tools reshaping how we design, monitor, and optimize infrastructure systems.
- 2. Digital Twins & Predictive Maintenance- offer us the ability to simulate, anticipate, and prevent failures before they occur, save time, resources and lives.
- 3. Greener, Smarter and Faster- as we embrace sustainable technologies that reduce our carbon footprint while accelerating development and enhancing efficiency.
- 4. Closing the Gap- underscores the fact that innovation must be equitable. We intend to examine how technology can bridge longstanding infrastructure divides in underserved communities, ensuring no one and no place is left behind.
- 5. Building the Future- where 3D printing, robotics and automation are revolutionizing construction, enabling us to build faster, safer and with greater precision.

This conference is more than a platform for dialogue. It is a launchpad for partnerships, policy shifts and practical solutions. Let us take this opportunity to challenge assumptions, share insights and co-create a future where infrastructure is not only built to last, but built to uplift the generality of the citizens and the nation's industrialisation trajectory

ZIE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

Prof. Dr Eng. William Musekiwa Goriwondo

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Biography for Honourable Minister Professor Paul Mavima (MP)

Honourable Professor Paul Mavima is a Cabinet Minister, scholar, and politician born in Kwekwe, Zimbabwe. He currently serves as the Minister of Skills Audit and Development. Prior to his appointment as Minister of Skills Audit and Development he was the Minister of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare from November 2019 to September, 2023. He was the Minister of Primary and Secondary Education from December 2017 to November 2019. In September, 2013 he was appointed Deputy Minister of Primary and Secondary Education, the position he served to December 2017.

Honourable Professor Paul Mavima is a National Assembly Member for Gokwe Sengwa Constituency since July 2013. He was the Chairperson for African Regional Labour Administration Centre (ARLAC)and Zimbabwe Tripartite Negotiating Forum (TNF) from November, 2019 to September 2023. He was the Chairperson of the 6th Africa Regional Forum on Susatainable Development from February, 2020 to February, 2021.

Honourable Professor Mavima holds Science Politics Bachelor of in Administration and a Master of Public Administration from University of Zimbabwe PhD in Public (UZ). He obtained а Administration and Policy from Florida State University, USA. He became an Associate Professor of Public Administration and Policy at Grand Valley State University, USA in 2007.



Biography for Honourable Minister Joshua K. Sacco (MP)



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2 PM - 6 PM

ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION

6 PM - 10 PM

DELEGATES' DINNER

CPC BRIEFING ON PROGRAMME SCHEDULE HOUSE KEEPING ISSUES SPONSORS PRESENTATIONS

26 NOV, 25.

7:30AM - 8:30 AM Registration and Exhibition

"Business Day 1"

Event Director Dr. Wilson Banda

Session Moderator

Dr Eng. Edmund Maputi - ZIE Board Member

8:30AM - 9 AM

National Anthem & Opening Prayer

Welcome remarks - His Worship Councillor Prince Thuso Moyo 'The Mayor of Victoria Falls Municipality Introductory remarks - ZIE President Prof. Eng. William Goriwondo

Remarks on Conference Objectives - Conference Planning Committee Chairperson Dr Eng. T. Stevenson Remarks from the ZIE Chief Executive Officer - Dr Eng. S Diarra

26 NOV, 25.

9 AM - 9:20 AM



An IoT Based Borehole Water Monitoring **System**

26 NOV, 25. 9:20 AM - 9:40 AM



Dr Eng. Ronald R Tarugarira **Subject Matter Expert**

Exploring the building of SMART infrastructure with AI, IoT, Data Analytics, Opportunities, Challenges, Mitigation, and Future Directions





9:40AM-10AM



Eng. Anthony Lunga BSC Laboratory

Design and construction of Trabablas interchange at the intersection of Harare-Beit bridge and Glennorah - Chitungwiza roads



10:00AM-10:40AM

TEABREAK

Session moderator



26NOV, 25.

10:40AM-11:AM



Eng. Michael Kumirai

Investigating the feasibility of Moringa Oleifera flocculant as an alternative to Aluminuim Sulphate in Umguza river water purification

26NOV, 25.

11AM - 11:50AM

Panelists

Eng. Zaranyika and ZERA team

PANEL DISCUSSION

Overall smart energy infrastructure development in Zimbabwe

- Sustainable solar development and energy storage challenges
- What is the pervasiveness of solar thermal uptake in Zimbabwe?



26 NOV, 25. 11:50PM-1PM

Panelists



Eng. Shebar M. Masuka



Eng. Charity Chigwede



Eng. Mercy Ranganai



Eng. Evelyn Mukachana

PANEL DISCUSSION

Session Moderator



Dr Eng. Loice Gudukeya Deputy Dean UZ Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment

A Blueprint for Circular Infrastructure Economy: A closed-loop, circular model for Zimbabwe's infrastructure development

1 PM - 2:00PM

LUNCH

26 NOV, 25.

2 PM - 2:20PM

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Commissioner Tendai Jawa ZIMRA - Vic Falls

2:20PM - 2:40PM



Dr Eng. E. S. Maputi **ZIE Board Member**

Biomimicry in **Engineering Design** **Session Moderator**



Eng. C. Mhuka **ZIE Treasurer**

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7:30AM - 8:45 AM

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MAIN BUSINESS DAY TWO

Registration

Special Announcements- CPC Representative

Dr. Eng. Marvelous Sibanda - ZIE Senior Vice President **SESSION MODERATOR:**

8:45 AM - 9:05 AM

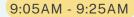
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Eng Dr. Bola Mudasiru (Nigeria)

Engineering Resilient Cities: Smart Infrastructure and Sustainable Solutions for a Better Urban Future and Quality of Life

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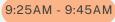




Dr Will Cavendish
(ARUP - UK)

AI and Digital Transformation

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Eng. Lewis Makurumure (UNDP)

Unlocking a Brighter Future through Mini-Grids, Off-Grid Solutions, and Climate Resilient Water & Energy Infrastructure Innovation

9:45AM - 10:30AM

TEA BREAK



10:30AM - 11AM





Address by the Guest Speaker

Minister of Skills Audit and Development

11AM - 11:20 AM

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE

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Statement by the ZIE President - Prof. Dr Eng. William Musekiwa Goriwondo

ECZ Statement - Dr Eng. Ben Rafemoyo - ECZ Chief Executive Officer

Introduction of Guest of Honor - Permanent Secretary/Senior Government Official

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11:20PM - 12:10PM



Address by the Guest of Honour

Honorable MP Minister Felix Mhona
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure Development

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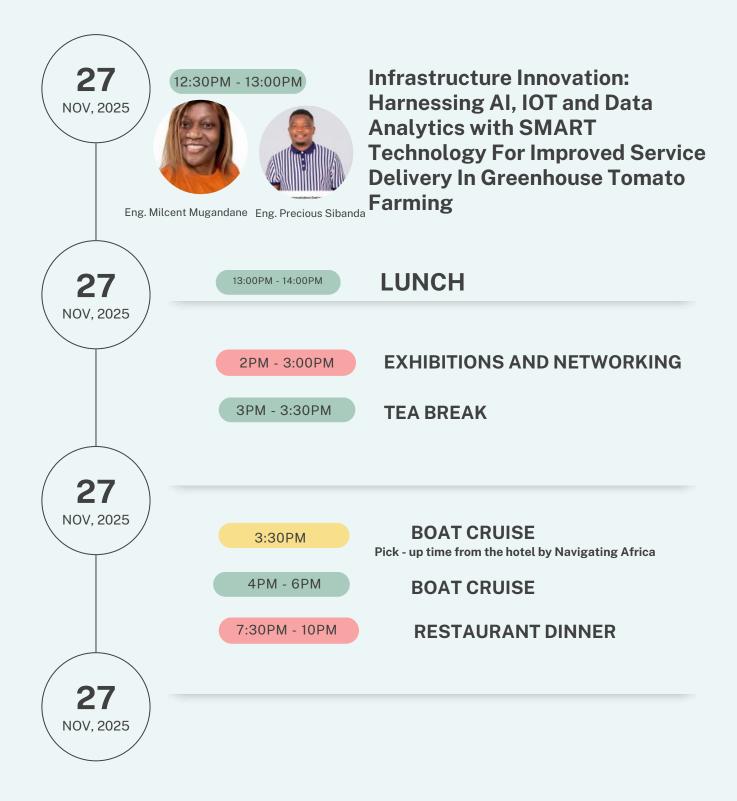
12:10PM - 12:30PM



Prof. Dr Eng. Tawanda Mushiri (ZIE Board Member)

Leveraging Effective Engineering Solutions in Zimbabwe using Artificial Intelligence









8:30AM - 8:35AM SESSION MODERATOR:

MAIN BUSINESS DAY THREE



8:35AM - 9:00AM

House-keepingBusiness





Eng. Kennedy Muzira

Interrogating the focused development phase of the roads infrastructure: A case of Zimbabwe



9AM - 9:20AM



Eng. Emmanuel Mungofa

Optimizing Urban Mobility: Intelligent Traffic Systems for Zimbabwe's Smart City Agenda — Reducing Congestion and Operational Costs

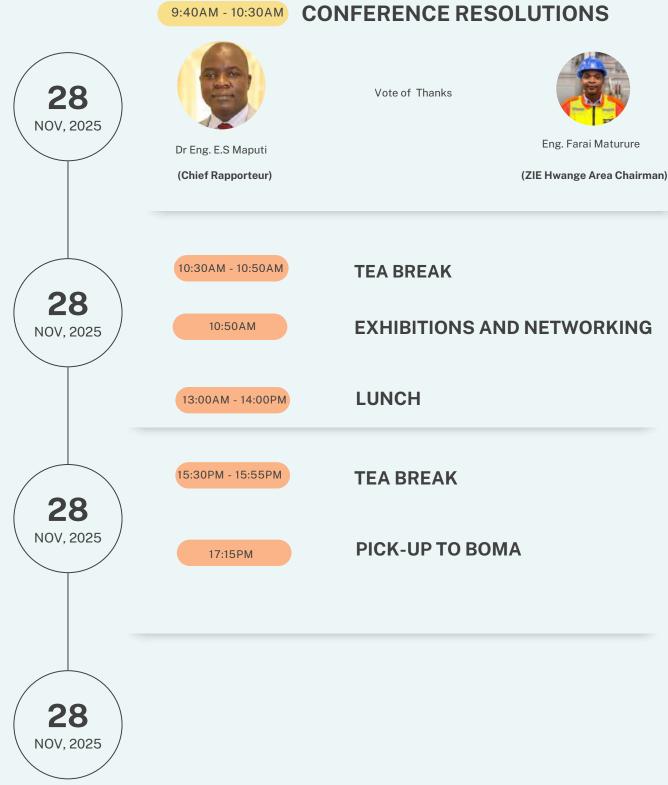
28 NOV, 2025 9:20AM - 9:40AM



Eng. Tatenda Sibindani

Innovative Facilities Management Solutions - from ESG to Cash







NATIONAL ANTHEM

Simudzai mureza wedu we Zimbabwe Yakazvarwa nemoto wechimurenga Neropa zhinji ramagamba Tidzivirire kumhandu dzose. Ngaikomborerwe nyika yeZimbabwe

Tarisai Zimbabwe nyika yakashongedzwa Namakomo, nehova, zvinoyevedza Mvura ngainaye, minda ipembesa Vashandi vatuswe, ruzhinji rugutswe: Ngaikomborerwe nyika yeZimbabwe.

Mwari ropafadzai nyika yeZimbabwe Nyika yamadzitateguru edu tose; Kubva Zambezi kusvika Limpopo, Navatungamiri vave nenduramo; Ngaikomborerwe nyika yeZimbabwe Phakamisan' if'legi yethu yeZimbabwe Eyazalwa yimpi yenkululeko; Legaz' elinengi lamaqhawe ethu Silivikele ezithen izonke; Kalibusiswe ilizwe leZimbabwe.

Khangelan'I Zimbabwe yon' ihlotshisiwe Ngezintaba lang' miful' ebukekayo Izulu kaline, izilimo zande; Iz' sebenzi zenam', abantu basuthe; Kalibusiswe ilizwe leZimbabwe.

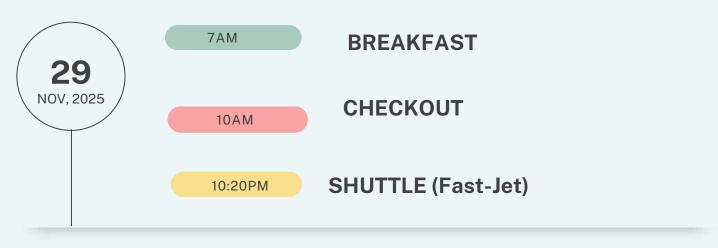
Nkosi busis' ilizwe lethu leZimbabwe Ilizwe labokhokho bethu thina sonke; Kusuk' eZambezi kusiy'eLimpopo Abakhokheli babe lobuqotho; Kalibusiswe ilizwe leZimbabwe.

O lift high the banner, the flag of Zimbabwe
The symbol of freedom proclaiming victory
We praise our heroes' sacrifice,
And vow to keep our land free from foes,
And may the Almighty protect and bless our land.

O lovely Zimbabwe, so wondrously adorned With mountains, and rivers cascading, flowing free May rain abound and fertile fields; May we be fed, our labour blessed; And may the Almighty protect and bless our land.

O God, we beseech Thee to bless our native land; The land of our fathers bestowed upon us all; From Zambezi to Limpopo May leaders be exemplary; And may the Almighty protect and bless our land.





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