

9TH ANNUAL TAX CONFERENCE

"Navigating the Evolving Tax Landscape"



Celebrating

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11 - 14 June 2025

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Wednesday, 11 June 2025

TIME	TOPIC & FACILITATORS					
09:00 -12:00	Arrival & Check-In					
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch					
13:30 -15:30	Victoria Falls Tour (Optional)					
15:30 -15:40	Welcome Remarks Simelinkosi Mangena - Assistant Manager: Tax Faculty; WTS Tax Matrix Academy					
15:40 -15:50	Opening Remarks Marvellous Tapera - Managing Partner; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe					
15:50 -17:15	Focus Groups: In Connect with Tax Experts & Thought Leaders (Interactive Session & Drinks) Cluster One: Financial Services & Telecoms - Marvellous Tapera & Fadzanai Chigeregomo Cluster Two: Mining, Construction & Energy: Tafadzwa Mhonde & Patrick Mawire Cluster Three: Agro Based, Retail & Manufacturing: Leonora Mawire and Simelinkosi Magena Cluster Four: Hospitality, Public Sector & Other Services: Tendero Makanga & Lorean Magaramombe					
17:15 - 18:00	Refreshing					
18:00 Till Late	Chipala Bush Dinner					

Thursday, 12 June 2025

TIME	TOPIC & FACILITATORS				
08:00 - 09:00	2025 Tax & Accounting Updates: Developments & Policy Insights (Presentations)				
	This session provides a comprehensive update on the latest tax policy changes and administration reforms introduced in the 2025 National Budget, their opportunities and risks to both, revenue authority and tax paying community.				
	Leonora Mawire - Managing Consultant; Leonora & Associates Consulting Services, Zimbabwe				
	Marvellous Tapera - Managing Partner; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe				
	Minati Ndala - Senior Partner; MNK Chartered Accountants, Zimbabwe Zimbabwe Revenue Authority Representative				
	Moderator: Patrick Mawire - Principal; Hepta Advisory Services, Zambia				
09:00 - 09:10	Commercial & Health Break				
09:10 - 09:55	Cross Border Operations: Managing Tax and Legal Risks in Cross Border Transactions (Panel Discusion				
	This session will provide guidance on managing cross-border tax risks for businesses, covering key areas such as income tax, VAT on imported services and digital offerings, withholding taxes, permanent establishments, Double Taxation Agreements (DTAs) and strategies for effective compliance in an evolving global tax environment.				
	Marvellous Tapera - Managing Partner; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe				
	Tendero Makanga - Tax Partner, Dube Manikai & Hwacha Legal Practitioners, Zimbabwe Patrick Mawire - Principal; Hepta Advisory Services, Zambia				
	Fadzanai Chigeregomo - Regulatory Reporting & Tax Manager; Stanbic Bank, Zimbabwe				
	Moderator: Simelinkosi Mangena - Assistant Manager: WTS Tax Matrix Academy, Zimbabwe				
09:55 - 10:00	Commercial & Health Break				
10:00 - 10:30	Tea Break				
10:30 - 11:25	Transfer Pricing Risk Management: A Revenue Authority Perspective (Panel Discussion)				
	This session will focus on tax authorities' scrutiny of transfer pricing and offers proactive strategies for companies to mitigate potential risks and address common challenges. It will also discuss practical guides on aligning transfer pricing models with business operations, discussing transaction delineation and method selection.				
	Solomon Choge - Transfer Pricing Expert; Royalty Range, United Kingdom				
	Hope Vengesa - Senior Tax Manager: Transfer Pricing; BDO, Zambia				
	Lorean Magaramombe - Assistant Manager: Transfer Pricing; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe Moderator: Leonora Mawire - Managing Consultant; Leonora & Associates Consulting Services, Zimbabwe				
11:25 - 11:35	Commercial & Health Break				
11:35 - 12:45	Taxpayer Compliance Toolkit: Staying Ahead of Shifting Audit Expectations (Panel Discussion)				
22.00	This session will equip taxpayers with essential tools and proactive strategies to anticipate and navigate revenue				
	authority audits. It will focus on key tax risk and audit areas, audit preparedness, data transparency and proactive				
	measures to ensure readiness and effective risk mitigation for tax compliance and planning. Marvellous Tapera - Managing Partner; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe				
	Patrick Mawire - Principal; Hepta Advisory Services, Zambia				
	Fadzanai Chigeregomo - Regulatory Reporting & Tax Manager; Stanbic Bank, Zimbabwe				
	Keitumetse Sesana - Strategic Lead for Stakeholder; Engagement & Legislationx, SAIT Moderator: Tendero Makanga - Tax Partner, Dube Manikai & Hwacha Legal Practitioners, Zimbabwe				
12:45 - 12:55	Commercial & Health Break				
12:55 - 14:00	Lunch Break				
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14:00 - 15:00	From Documentation to Courtroom: Building Defensible Tax Positions (Panel Discussion) This session will provide a roadmap for preparing thorough tax documentation to withstand scrutiny from initial audits through to Supreme Court defenses. It will examine common pitfalls and challenges taxpayers face in documentation, compliance, objections, appeals and courtroom presentations. Strategies for successfully winning tax cases, cost-saving and shareholder value maximisation will also be discussed. Tendero Makanga - Tax Partner, Dube Manikai & Hwacha Legal Practitioners, Zimbabwe Lucia Chipungu - Lead Advisor; Old Mutual Africa Regions Tax Reporting, Zimbabwe Keitumetse Sesana - Strategic Lead for Stakeholder; Engagement & Legislationx, SAIT Simelinkosi Mangena - Assistant Manager: WTS Tax Matrix Academy, Zimbabwe Moderator: Marvellous Tapera - Managing Partner; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe	
15:00 - 15:10	Commercial & Health Break	
15:10 - 16:00	Defining Taxpayer-Authority Relationships: A Look at Taxpayer Rights and Responsibilities (Panel Discussion) This session examines the complex relationship between taxpayers and ZIMRA, exploring whether taxpayers are treated as respected clients amid ZIMRA's intensified enforcement and compliance measures. As ZIMRA expands efforts to formalise and broaden thetax base, the discussion will address the need for a balanced approach that respects taxpayer rights, builds trust and reduces friction within Zimbabwe's tax system. Lucia Chipungu - Lead Advisor; Old Mutual Africa Regions Tax Reporting, Zimbabwe Simelinkosi Mangena - Assistant Manager: WTS Tax Matrix Academy, Zimbabwe Moderator: Leonora Mawire - Managing Consultant; Leonora & Associates Consulting Services, Zimbabwe	
16:00 - 18:30	Refreshing Break	
18:30 Till Late	Boma Dinner	

Friday, 13 June 2025

TIME	TOPIC & FACILITATORS				
08:00 - 08:45 08:45 - 09:30	Managing VAT Compliance in the Digital Age: Common Pitfalls and Practical Considerations (Panel Discussion) This session will guide businesses on VAT compliance, focusing on ZIMRA's Fiscalisation Data Management Syst (FDMS), Fiscal Devices and digital monitoring tools. Key topics include avoiding common errors in registration a invoicing, leveraging digital tools for compliance, and targeted strategies for both formal and informal sectors manage VAT and avoid penalties. Simon Gwenzi - Managing Director; Platinum Tax Consultancy, Zimbabwe Godfrey Williams - Tax Technology Specialist, South Africa Tafadzwa Mhonde - Tax Director; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe Zimbabwe Revenue Authority Representative Moderator: Simelinkosi Mangena - Assistant Manager: Tax Faculty; WTS Tax Matrix Academy Decluttering Corporate Income Tax: Uncovering the Tax Paradox and Proposals for Tax Reforms				
	(Presentations) This session will examine the current income tax laws when trading in multi-currency, its compliance burder challenges and threats to investment and government revenue. Recommendations for reforms will be explored address these challenges. Marvellous Tapera - Managing Partner; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe Tinashe Murerekwa - Partner; Kreston, Zimbabwe Zimbabwe Revenue Authority Representative Moderator: Lorean Magaramombe - Assistant Manager: Transfer Pricing; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe				
09:30 - 09:35	Commercial & Health Break				
09:35 - 10:10	The Role of Automation in Corporate Tax Transparency and Filing (Presentations) Godfrey Williams - Tax Technology Specialist, South Africa Simon Gwenzi - Managing Director; Platinum Tax Consultancy, Zimbabwe Leonora Mawire - Managing Consultant; Leonora & Associates Consulting Services, Zimbabwe Zimbabwe Revenue Authority Representative Moderator: Tafadzwa Mhonde - Tax Director; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe This session will explore how automation enhances corporate tax reporting, filing and transparency. It will cover successful case studies and provide insights on the future of TARMS, highlighting the integration of tax automation with internal control systems, tax manuals and tax dashboards to improve overall tax management and compliance.				
10:10 - 10:40	Tea Break				
10:40 - 11:10	Zimbabwe Revenue Authority Commissioner General Address Zimbabwe Revenue Authority - Commissioner General				
11:10 - 11:40	Key Note Speech and Official Opening : Ministry of Finance and Economic Development Minister of Finance, Investment Promotion and Economic Development				
11:40 - 11:50	Commercial & Health Break				
11:50 - 12:50	Tax Reforms For Tomorrow: Balancing Policy & Pragmatism (Plenary Session) Minister of Finance, Investment Promotion and Economic Development Zimbabwe Revenue Authority Marvellous Tapera - Managing Partner; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe Tinashe Murerekwa - Partner; Kreston, Zimbabwe Simon Gwenzi - Managing Director; Platinum Tax Consultancy, Zimbabwe Leonora Mawire - Managing Consultant; Leonora & Associates Consulting Services, Zimbabwe Moderator: Tafadzwa Mhonde - Tax Director; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe				
12:50 - 13:00	Closing Remarks Marvellous Tapera - Managing Partner; WTS Tax Matrix, Zimbabwe				

13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 - 15:30	Refreshing
15:30 - 18:00	Sunset Cruise
18:00 - 18:30	Refreshing
18:30 Till Late	WTS Tax Matrix Dinner- Celebrating 10 Years of Tax Excellence

Saturday, 14 June 2025

TIME

08:00 - 10:00 **Checkout & Airport Transfers**



Registration



Conference Fees Per Person (USD)

	Full Package	Own Transport	Conference Only	Deadline
Standard	2,260	1,950	1,460	23/05/25
Late	2,430	2,100	1,550	06/06/25

^{*}Full Package includes conference fee, travel costs, accommodation, meals and activities



Banking Details

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Important Notes

- The registration fee is inclusive of 15% Value Added Tax.
- Please select the participant category carefully as it determines the fee payable. No alteration will be allowed upon registration.
- Participants are entitled to:
 - a) Conference materials (softcopy)
 - b) Certificate of attendance (softcopy)
 - c) CPD hours: 16
- Replacements are allowed. However, the details of the persons replacing the registered participants must be submitted at least five working days before the date of the conference.
- A confirmation email will be issued within five working days before the conference.
- The e-Certificate of Attendance will only be released to registered participant with full attendance and full payment after the completion of the conference.



Speakers











Patrick Mawire



















Hope Vengesa







