

Africa Growth

A Division of the Knickerbocker Financial Group (KFG)



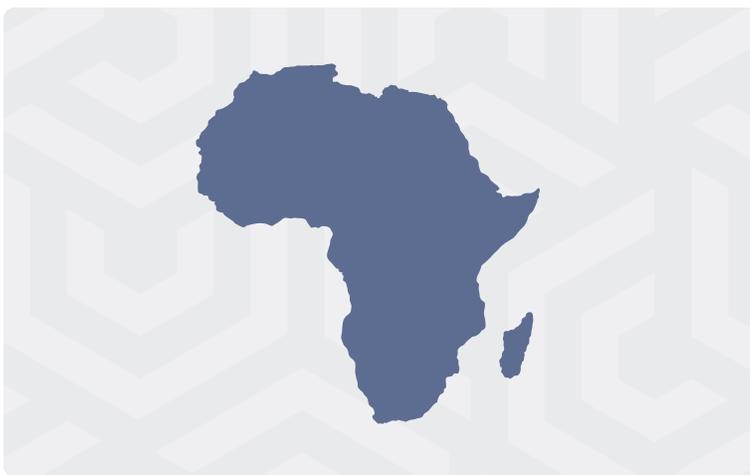
About Us

In January 2022, **Knickerbocker Financial Group (KFG)** launched Africa Growth, applying KFG's expertise in investment, pre-screening and advisory services to high growth potential business ventures in Africa.

Why Africa?

Advances in technology and the growth of the middle class have created significant opportunities and unicorns on the African continent. According to TechCrunch+, venture capital funding in Africa reached an all-time high in 2021 at over \$4 billion, more than what startups in the continent raised in the two previous years combined.¹

According to White & Case, private equity and venture capital "funding developed progressively in Africa supported by a 1.2 billion-person market, an expansive middle-class consumer base and the world's largest free-trade area."²



Vision

We provide capital and advisory services to create sustainable growth for investors, companies and communities in Africa.

Mission

We create:

Growth for our **investors** by leveraging our broad network of subject matter experts to identify high-quality opportunities in countries where our on-the-ground network is well established;

Growth for **companies** by partnering with emerging business leaders to unlock efficiency and innovation in companies that match our strategic investment priorities;

Growth in **people** through training, skills transfer, education, and respect for different cultures.

¹<https://techcrunch.com/2021/12/30/african-tech-took-center-stage-in-2021/>

²https://www.whitecase.com/publications/insight/africa-focus-spring-2021/_private-equity-africa-trends-and-opportunities-2021

First Year Objectives

Our priorities are to:

- 1 Raise a minimum of \$10 million (USD)
- 2 Host 1 Africa-centered summit for investors and stakeholders
- 3 Maintain and cultivate a diverse network of Subject Matter Experts and Originators
- 4 Develop a subscribers list of 500+ contacts
- 5 Provide regular updates to our stakeholders

Approach

Our strategic investment priorities include:

- Fintech
- Energy & Renewables
- Digital Marketing
- Sustainable Mining
- Blockchain
- Agritech
- Water

We screen investments for:

Transparency

We commit to openness in every transaction with every stakeholder. We utilize robust financial reporting systems to keep stakeholders informed. We do not charge hidden fees.

Efficiency

We seek efficiency through improved processes and technology.

Compliance

We create a culture of compliance through clear controls, regulatory due diligence and on-the-ground assessments. We are sensitive to regulatory best-practices and the rule of law, and we seek out and support companies and opportunities where we are aligned on these principles.

Sustainability

We define sustainability broadly and have a deep bench. We promote safe and sustainable best practices in every sector we invest in.

Care for Others

We value fair pay, education and job training, and care for family.

Our Team



Tawana Muchatuta

is experienced in Fintech, Blockchain, and large-scale manufacturing of consumer goods in England, Zimbabwe, Singapore and Malaysia. He is a graduate of Loughborough University, and a Chartered Chemical Engineer with IChemE UK. Tawana is a certified Project Management Professional and passed Level III of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) program.



Bille Chitimbire

is a financial services professional focusing on risk management, asset-liability management and strategy in commercial, private and investment banking. He has a Master's in International Business and Policy from Georgetown University, a BS in Finance and Economics from Adelphi University and passed Level II of the CFA program. He has worked on clean water and sanitation projects in Zimbabwe and education/ youth empowerment initiatives in Ethiopia.



Andrea Schmitz

is Co-head of ESG strategy at KFG. She spent 25 years at Con Edison where she was Vice President of Environment, Health and Safety; prior to that she was at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Andrea has a BA from UC San Diego and a Master's in Public Administration from Columbia University. She was an adjunct professor at Columbia's MPA program in Environmental Science and Policy.

