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# How Donald Trump Redefined The World Order At Davos

By Bryan Moir

Trump's 2026 Davos speech is being misread as bluster, numbers, and ego.

It wasn't. It was a declaration that the era of frictionless globalization is over.

Delivered inside the cathedral of global capital, the message was simple: access to the American market is no longer a right — it's a privilege, priced and conditional.

Energy, security, and capital are no longer neutral domains; they are instruments of state power again.

What made the speech dangerous wasn't what Trump rejected, but what he reclaimed.

He inverted the Old Financialized Global Order .

For three decades, global finance disciplined nations through debt, regulation, and narrative. Trump flipped the vector — using tariffs, energy dominance,

and security guarantees to discipline capital itself. Davos wasn't scolded; it was put on notice.

The age of norms has given way to the age of leverage. Canada should have been listening hardest — and likely wasn't.

In Trump's framing, Canada is not a strategic equal but a protected dependency: shielded by U.S. defense, integrated into U.S. markets, and assumed compliant.

That is not partnership; it is

conditional tolerance.

A country that surrendered energy sovereignty, industrial capacity, and monetary independence has little leverage when the rules change. Canada is positioned not as a negotiator, but as a variable.

This is the part Ottawa will miss. The future will not be managed by ESG frameworks, stakeholder capitalism, or polite multilateralism.

It will be managed by states that

control energy, production, and force projection.

The Old Financialized Global Order is not ending — it is being nationalized.

Countries that mistook moral posture for power will discover that markets close faster than narratives.

The full article appears on Bryan Moir's Substack.

<https://bryanmoir.substack.com/#cdnpoli #WEF2026>

# Court Rules That Mutumwa Mawere To Be Buried In Joburg

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Prominent Zimbabwean-South African businessman Mutumwa Mawere will be laid to rest on Monday morning at Fourways Memorial Park Cemetery in Johannesburg.

Mawere, who was 66 and held South African citizenship, died in Johannesburg on January 15 from complications linked to a stroke he suffered in 2023.

The decision to bury him in South Africa follows a legal dispute between the paternal and maternal sides of his family over his final resting place.

The legal disagreements centred on a conflict between the Maweres' representatives, close paternal relatives, and Irene Machiri, who represented the maternal side of the family.

Sources close to the matter indicate that the two factions were divided over the final resting place of the 66-year-old tycoon.

The Maweres strongly advocated for the repatriation of the businessman's remains to his country of birth, Zimbabwe, while Machiri reportedly favoured a burial at Fourways Memorial Park, a private cemetery in South Africa.

The High Court's ruling on Thursday cleared the way for funeral arrangements, originally scheduled for Friday, to proceed on Monday in Johannesburg.

In an unexpected turn of events yesterday it emerged that Zororo-Phumulani,

**Mutumwa Mawere's business empire**

- Mining:** SMM Holdings (Shabanie Mine, Gaths Mine), asbestos mining
- Manufacturing:** Turnall (fibre cement products), Steelnet Limited (steel pipe manufacturing), General Beltings (industrial conveyor belts, rubber products)
- Financial Services:** First Banking Corporation (FBC), Zimre Holdings, Nicoz Diamond, UKI Securities, Fidelity Life Assurance
- Agro-industrial:** FSI Agricom Holdings, CFI Holdings (poultry production, retail, milling)
- Logistics:** Petter Transport and Logistics, Shipping Consolidated Holdings (SCH)
- Media:** Media Africa Group (The Business Tribune, The Weekend Tribune)
- Other:** Endurite Properties, Words and Images, Fortress Travel and Tours, Best Practices Management Consultants, Tandem

These businesses were managed through holding companies like Africa Resources Limited (ARL) and Ukubambana-Kubatana Investments

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The straddling business empire Mutumwa Mawere once built: Graphic Source: The Herald

## Businessman Was A Towering Figure In Zim And SA Business Circles

the funeral services provider known for managing high-profile funerals, through its Chief Executive Officer Oliver Mufudze - had distanced themselves from participating in the funeral proceedings for the late business tycoon.

Earlier on Friday the company had been widely quoted as having said that they were working with the family to give the businessman a befitting send-off.

However the funerals services provider said that it had acted

in the interests of its brand and reputation in withdrawing from the funeral - and it remained unclear last night whether the company had in fact been contracted before, by the family - to handle the logistics of Mawere's funeral - or indeed Mr Mawere had an

existing funeral policy with Zororo Phumulani.

Mawere was a towering figure in Zimbabwean and South African business circles, with interests spanning mining, manufacturing, banking and media.

# Baba Harare Set To Rock The Music At Hard Rock Cafe

DSE News Network and Gumption Entertainment

This week celebrity news on the DSE Entertainment - is that Baba Harare - born Braveman Chizvino - is set to make a smashing appearance at the Hard Rock Cafe in Sandton - and fans are in for captivating performances by the contemporary Zimbabwean dancemaster.

He gained fame as the lead guitarist for Jah Prayzah and later launched a successful solo career, leading the City Vibration band and releasing his debut album "Chikwama Changu" in 2017.

His hit song "The Reason Why" has made him a prominent figure in the Zimbabwean music scene.

Baba Harare has received several awards, including recognition at the ZIMA Awards and the National Arts Merit Awards (NAMA).

Recently, he has made headlines for his return to the jiti genre - having earlier tried his hand at gospel music - and reflecting on his personal journey and the impact of his music on fans.

Chizvino started playing music at a young age with a passion for the guitar and formed The City Vibration.

Today he is known for a range of hit numbers, including Rinenge Riri Gango, Zimbabwean Giant, Rita (Remix), Vaccine, Generator, Chikwama Changu, Minamoto Yarasata (2017) and many others on the turntable.

His nominations and awards cabinet rivals any superstar



today, including recognition at various awards, including ZIMA Awards and the National Arts Merit Awards (NAMA), showcasing his impact on the Zimbabwean music scene.

At one point Baba Harare withdrew his nomination from the Star FM listeners'

awards, citing personal reasons and a desire to make way for other deserving artists.

Last year Baba Harare announced his return to jiti music, a year after he announced that he quit the genre to pursue gospel.

At the time Nehanda Radio

reported that Baba Harare shocked the world of local showbiz when he announced that, as he had become a born-again Christian.

The musician even derided jiti, describing the genre as "nonsense."

He has collaborated with

many artists including Gemma Griffiths.

"Ndadzoka kuzoti vaya vanga vasati vatanga kunwa mapirit-si vachitangawo," he wrote in a post that was accompanied by laughing emojis.

Baba Harare's return to jiti comes after he claimed to have had an epiphany while in Australia, which led him to rethink his life in music.

"Early this year we travelled to Australia with my group where I had a sold-out show. The fans embraced my music, but God spoke to me and convinced me to quit secular music and serve Him.

"I know I will miss travelling and stuff but I do not regret this move. This is the wisest move I have made in my life," he said. At the time, the musician conceded that it was hard to convince his fans that he had moved on.

"It will be hard for some of the people who have been loyal to me to embrace my new move. I quit jiti for gospel music which has left many people debating. Confirming speculation, Baba Harare said his wife had convinced him to make the life-changing decision.

"I have heard people say I recently got married, which is false. I have been married to her for some time, but I did not want her to be in the media.

*Baba Harare is set to perform at the Hard Rock Cafe At Sandton Square for Saturday Night Live on April 25. Stay Connected on the DSE News Network*

# Embracing Austrian Economics: A Path Forward for Zimbabwe: Tonderai Mapfumo



**Tonderai Mapfumo**

AUSTRIAN economics offers a unique perspective on economic theory and policy, standing in contrast to mainstream economic approaches.

Originating from the works of economists such as Carl Menger, Ludwig von Mises, and Friedrich Hayek, this school emphasizes individualism, the importance of free markets, and the problems of government intervention.

In the context of Zimbabwe—whose economy has been stifled by excessive state control and corruption—adopting principles of Austrian economics could provide a viable pathway to recovery and sustainable growth.

At its core, Austrian economics begins with human action and involves the belief in the individual's ability to make decisions that best serve his interests, which generates spontaneous order in the market.

This principle aligns well with the entrepreneurial spirit of Zimbabweans, who have demonstrated resilience and creativity despite facing severe economic challenges.

By fostering an environment where individuals are free to innovate and trade, Zimbabwe could harness its untapped potential and create an economy that thrives on competition and cooperation rather than bureaucratic controls.

Moreover, Austrian economics critiques the reliance on government interventions that distort markets and lead to unintended consequences.

For Zimbabwe—characterized by hyperinflation, unemployment, and poverty—this perspective highlights the need to reduce state involvement in economic affairs. Instead of relying on foreign aid and government programs, a shift towards market-oriented solutions could empower local communities and create a sustainable economic framework.

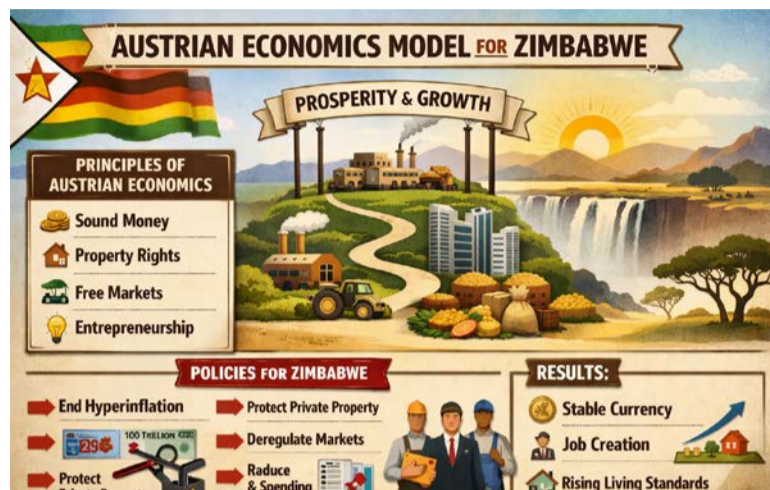
## The Case for Market Liberalization

One of the central tenets of Austrian economics is that free markets are the means to foster economic development. In Zimbabwe, the heavy hand of government regulation has led to inefficiencies and resource misallocation.

By embracing market liberalization, the country could stimulate entrepreneurship and investment, enabling individuals to respond to the demands of the marketplace effectively. This approach has been successful in various countries, demonstrating that a shift towards a free-market system can yield significant benefits.

Market liberalization would encourage competition, leading to better products and services, more choices for consumers, and lower prices.

In Zimbabwe's current economic landscape, where many essential goods are scarce and prices are inflated, free-market principles could reinvigorate the economy. By allowing producers and consumers to interact without excessive government interference, the



natural forces of supply and demand can drive stability and growth.

Additionally, international trade stands to benefit from a liberalized market approach. By reducing tariffs and trade barriers, Zimbabwe could become more integrated into the global economy, opening up new markets for its exports. This integration is essential for economic revitalization, as it would attract foreign investments and create job opportunities. Embracing Austrian economics would provide a foundation for policies that prioritize market efficiency and innovation, resulting in a stronger and more resilient economic future.

## The Importance of Property Rights

Austrian economics places significant emphasis on the protection of property rights as a fundamental component of economic prosperity. In Zimbabwe, the historical context of land reforms and property seizures has led to confusion and insecurity regarding ownership rights. Restoring and safeguarding property rights is crucial for fostering a stable investment climate and promoting entrepreneurial activity. Without clear and enforceable property rights, individuals are less likely to invest in their businesses or engage in

long-term planning.

When property rights are secure, individuals are incentivized to improve and invest in their assets, leading to increased productivity and innovation. In contrast, the current lack of confidence surrounding property ownership deters both domestic and foreign investors from committing their resources to the Zimbabwean economy.

By implementing policies that uphold property rights, the government could signal a commitment to a predictable and fair economic environment, ultimately encouraging investment, job creation, and growth.

Moreover, secure property rights have broader implications for social and economic stability. When individuals trust that their rights will be protected, they are more likely to participate in economic activities that contribute to overall societal welfare.

This shift would not only boost economic performance but also enhance social cohesion and trust within communities. The adoption of Austrian economic principles, particularly regarding property rights, could transform Zimbabwe into a fertile ground for economic engagement and collaboration.

## Reducing Government

## Interference

Austrian economics highlights the detrimental effects of excessive government interference in the economy. In Zimbabwe, numerous state interventions have historically led to inefficiencies and corruption, thwarting economic growth.

To create a vibrant economy, it is essential to reduce the role of government in favor of market-driven solutions. This shift would allow businesses to operate freely, innovate, and respond to consumer needs without bureaucratic restraints.

Reducing government interference means eliminating burdensome regulations and permitting market forces to determine prices and allocate resources.

This approach enables the natural functioning of the economy, where successful businesses can thrive while inefficient ones exit the market. Zimbabwe's economy would benefit from such a dynamic environment, where resources are allocated based on consumer preferences rather than political interference.

Furthermore, a government that limits its role in the economy can focus on providing essential services, such as infrastructure development, law enforcement, and education, without overstepping into the realms of business operations.

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Welcome to the new Zimbabwe Achievers Awards: The Next Chapter

The Zimbabwe Achievers Awards enters a new era this week with a refreshed logo that reflects the evolution from an awards platform into a global institution of excellence and impact.

The new logo is more than a visual update — it is a statement of purpose.

The bird at the centre symbolises aspiration, progress, and the borderless rise of Zimbabwean achievers across the world.

It represents freedom of thought, global reach, and the limitless potential of a people whose influence extends far beyond geography.

The shield represents honour, credibility, and responsibility — reinforcing ZAA's role as a trusted platform for recognising achievement.

The ribbon carries our name with formality and pride, reflecting the dignity of recognition and the legacy we continue to build.

The colour palette of navy and gold anchors the identity in authority, excellence, and timeless prestige.

Together, these elements communicate a renewed ZAA — confident, modern, and purpose-driven.

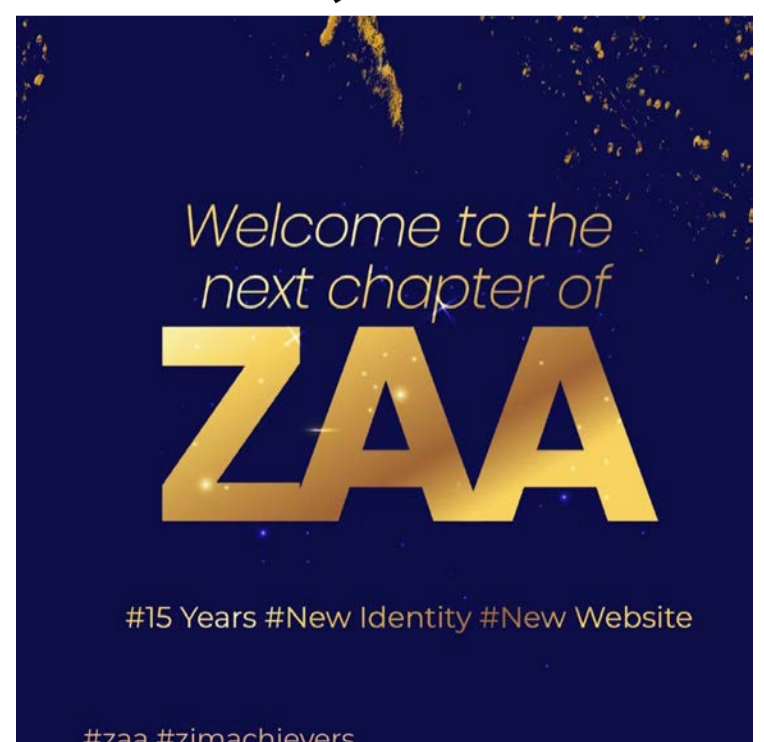
This new logo reflects who we are today and where we are going: from celebration to impact, from events to institution, from legacy to future.

As part of our brand evolution, Zimbabwe Achievers Awards proudly introduces our new brand colours: Navy and Gold.

These colours reflect our commitment to credibility, excellence, and long-term impact as we transition into a stronger institutional platform.



# New Era For Zim Achievers Awards After Unveiling Of New Corporate Identity



# Mercury.

## A High-Stakes Public Affairs Firm

By Chinedu Okafor

White farmers in Zimbabwe have pinned their hopes on the United States' president, Donald Trump, to help fast-track the compensation they were promised after a violent revolt in the 2000s led to the confiscation of their lands.

President Donald Trump has historically supported white farmers in Southern Africa, including by implementing strict sanctions against South Africa's land reform laws and reducing the U.S. refugee cap while prioritizing whites facing persecution.

A lobbying group, Mercury Public Affairs LLC, is actively working to secure U.S. governmental support for Zimbabwe's debt clearance in the context of generating funds necessary for compensating farmers. Zimbabwe's government pledged to compensate affected farmers, planning to spend \$3.5 billion over ten years; however, economic constraints have led to delayed payments.

U.S. President Donald Trump has been very consistent and proactive in aiding farmers of European descent in South

## White Zimbabwe Farmers Appeal To Donald Trump To Help Recoup \$3.5 billion From Zimbabwe

Africa, considered disenfranchised and classified as refugees. Since May 2025, Donald Trump has been providing visas or other types of assistance to white South African farmers who claim to be facing persecution or land seizures because of their race.

This development followed public criticism of South Africa's land reform laws, labelled as racist, by President Trump and Elon Musk.

As a result, Trump imposed strict sanctions against the South African government following the introduction of what he considered unfair laws.

Later in October 2025, Donald Trump announced a drastic reduction in refugee admissions, cutting the annual cap from 125,000 to just

7,500 while giving priority to white South Africans.

Given these recent moves, Mercury Public Affairs LLC, a US lobbying group with connections to Trump, has pledged to advocate for the white farmers before American officials without charging a fee, according to a previously undisclosed Foreign Agents Registration Act statement filed last month.

Mercury is taking on the job of convincing the US government to support Zimbabwe's debt clearance process and the creation of new financial arrangements that could "generate the funds necessary to satisfy" the duties of the government to reimburse farmers, according to the letter.

Dror Besserglik, managing di-

rector of Johannesburg-based OB Projects Management, described the extent of Mercury's engagement in a letter dated December 2 that was part of the FARA filing, as seen on Bloomberg.

"The services you will provide include contacting appropriate officials in the current administration and Congress to promote paying the Zimbabwean farmers," Besserglik relayed.

Mercury Public Affairs LLC has represented the Zimbabwean government in Washington from 2019 to 2021, during which the country reportedly paid a monthly retainer of US\$90,000 to campaign against US sanctions.

### Zimbabwe's recent history with white farmers

In May 2024, around 1,300 Zimbabwean farmers in the Southern African country, whose land was seized in the early 2000s, were promised compensation.

"We now have to go through the process of vetting them and confirming the amounts that they are owed," Andrew Bvumbe, head of debt management in the Ministry of Finance, said in an interview at the time.

"With these 1,300, we want to move as quickly as possible. Maybe by the end of the third quarter of this year, we want to get this out of the way," he added.

The Zimbabwean government, under Emmerson Mnangagwa, pledged to compensate 4,000 White farmers whose land was taken by state-backed militants under a 2020 agreement, but it has consistently missed payment deadlines.

Late Zimbabwean president, Robert Mugabe, started the Fast-Track Land Reform Program (FTLRP) in 2000, intending to seize commercial farms owned by white farmers. - Wih Africa Business Insider

**Tom Divon and Christian Pentzold**

FOR AS long as humans have buried their dead, they've dreamed of keeping them close. The ancient Fayum portraits – those stunningly lifelike images wrapped in Egyptian mummies – captured faces meant to remain present even after life had left the body.

Effigies across cultures served the same purpose: to make the absent present, to keep the dead around in some form.

But these attempts shared a fundamental limitation. They were vivid, yet they could not respond. The dead remained dead.

Across time, another idea emerged: the active dead. Ghosts who slipped back into the world to settle unfinished business, like spirits bound to old houses. Whenever they did speak, however, they needed a human medium – a living body to lend them voice and presence.

Media evolved to amplify this ancient longing to summon what is absent. Photography, film, audio recordings, holograms. Each technique added new layers of detail and new modes of calling the past into the present.

**Now, generative AI promises something unprecedented: interactive resurrection.**

It offers an entity that converses, answers and adapts. A dead celebrity digitally forced to perform songs that never belonged to them. A woman murdered in a domestic-violence case reanimated to “speak” about her own death. Online profiles resurrecting victims of tragedy, “reliving” their trauma through narration framed as warning or education.

Read more: Should AI be allowed to resurrect the dead?

We are researchers who have



# Interactive Resurrection: How AI Is Making The Dead Talk

spent many years studying the intersection of memory, nostalgia and technology. We particularly focus on how people make meaning and remember, and how accessible technologies shape these processes.

In a recent paper, we examined how generative AI is used to reanimate the dead across everyday contexts. The easy circulation of these digital ghosts raises urgent questions: who authorises these afterlives, who speaks through them, and who decides how the dead are put to work?

What gives these audiovisual ghosts their force is not only technological spectacle, but the sadness they reveal. The dead are turned into performers for purposes they never consented to, whether entertainment, consolation or

political messaging.

This display of AI's power also exposes how easily loss, memory and absence can be adapted to achieve various goals.

And this is where a quieter emotion enters: melancholy. By this we mean the unease that arises when something appears alive and responsive, yet lacks agency of its own.

These AI figures move and speak, but they remain puppets, animated at the direction of someone else's will. They remind us that what looks like presence is ultimately a carefully staged performance.

They are brought back to life to serve, not to live. These resurrected figures do not comfort. They trouble us into awareness, inviting a deep-

er contemplation of what it means to live under the shadow of mortality.

What 'resurrection' looks like In our study, we collected more than 70 cases of AI-powered resurrections. They are especially common on video-heavy platforms like TikTok, YouTube and Instagram.

Given their current proliferation, the first thing we did was to compare all cases and look for similarities in their purposes and application. We also noted the data and AI tools used, as well as the people or institutions employing them.

A prominent use of generative AI involves the digital resurrection of iconic figures whose commercial, cultural and symbolic value often

intensifies after death. These include:

Whitney Houston – resurrected to perform both her own songs and those of others, circulating online as a malleable relic of the past.

Queen Elizabeth II – brought back as a rap star from the hood to perform with a swagger drawn from Black urban culture. This transformation illustrates how nationally significant figures, once held at an ivory-tower distance, become a form of public property after death.

These algorithmic afterlives reduce the dead to entertainment assets, summoned on command, stripped of context, and remade according to contemporary whims. But AI resurrection also moves along a darker register.

A woman who was raped and murdered in Tanzania has reappeared in AI-generated videos, where she is made to warn others not to travel alone, transforming her death into a cautionary message.

A woman is summoned through AI to relive the most tragic day of her life, digitally reanimated to tell the story of how her husband killed her, embedding a warning about domestic violence.

Here, AI ghosts function as admonitions – reminders of injustice, war and unresolved collective wounds. In this process, grief becomes content and trauma a teaching device. AI does not merely revive the deceased. It rewrites and redistributes them according to the needs of the living.

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# It's More Than Construction: It's A Lifestyle

## Barmlo Construction News Reporter

We have partnered with more landowners across various provinces, including Harare, Masvingo, Mberengwa, and Bindura, who have land in both urban and peri-urban areas. Through these partnerships, we are expanding the development of more gated communities.

At Barmlo Construction, our primary focus is on low to middle income earners. Our goal is to work closely with this group and ensure access to decent housing at affordable prices, supported by flexible payment conditions. To further support inclusivity, we are designing smaller and more affordable housing plans to accommodate individuals and families with very low incomes.

We also run the Kumu-sha Development Scheme (K.D.S), which focuses on developing rural homes, as demonstrated in projects such as Tobius Wekwa (Gutu) and the Nyathi family home. In addition, we offer: Pay-As-You-Go Building Fa-

cility, allowing clients to pay progressively as construction advances.

Easy Build Option, where clients make a deposit and settle the remaining balance through installments until completion.

While we remain fully capable of delivering projects for the upmarket, we will never lose sight of our core mission: uplifting the marginalized population, particularly the low to middle income earners who have long been neglected.

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### Strategic Mortgages for Diaspora Investors

Barmlo Construction has Partnered with Local Financial Institutions to Offer Strategic Mortgages for Diaspora Investors  
In an era where economic opportunities transcend borders, Zimbabweans living abroad are increasingly looking homeward to invest in real estate and housing.

However, the path to building or acquiring property in Zimbabwe

has long been fraught with challenges, particularly the soaring costs of construction materials and financing hurdles.

Barmlo Construction is a forward-thinking Zimbabwean company that is revolutionizing the landscape by partnering with local financial institutions to provide tailored mortgage solutions for the diaspora community.

### Addressing the Construction Conundrum

Building a home or investing in real estate in Zimbabwe has never been straightforward. The country's economic fluctuations, coupled with global supply chain disruptions, have driven up the prices of essential building materials like cement, steel, and bricks.

For many in the diaspora—Zimbabweans residing in countries such as the UK, South Africa, Australia, and the US—the dream of owning property back home often stalls due to these financial barriers.

Traditional loans from local banks can be inaccessible or come with stringent require-

ments that don't account for the unique circumstances of overseas earners.

Recognizing this gap, Barmlo Construction has stepped up as a key player in easing the construction process. Specializing in residential and commercial building projects, the company has built a reputation for quality workmanship and innovative solutions.

Now, through strategic alliances with prominent local banks, Barmlo is making it easier for diaspora Zimbabweans to turn their investment aspirations into reality.

### The Partnership: A Game-Changer for Diaspora Mortgages

At the heart of this initiative is Barmlo Construction's collaboration with select financial institutions in Zimbabwe. These partnerships enable the offering of specialized "diaspora mortgages"—loans designed specifically for non-resident Zimbabweans who wish to invest in property development. Unlike standard mortgages, these products consider foreign income sources, offer flexible

repayment terms in foreign currencies, and integrate seamlessly with construction timelines.

One key partner is a leading Zimbabwean bank renowned for its diaspora-focused financial services. This bank provides mortgages that cover not just land acquisition but also the full spectrum of construction costs, from materials procurement to labor.

Barmlo Construction acts as the bridge, handling the on-ground execution while ensuring that funds are disbursed efficiently to avoid delays. This integrated approach minimizes the risks associated with remote project management, a common pain point for diaspora investors who can't oversee developments in person.

For instance, the diaspora mortgage through this partnership might feature:

■ Competitive Interest Rates: Adjusted for international earners to make repayments manageable.

■ Phased Funding: Disbursements tied to construction milestones, ensuring accountability and progress.



# Happiness Is Our Pride In Our New Self-Loading Concrete Mixer

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We have increased our equipment capacity and are pleased to announce the arrival of our brand new self-loading concrete mixer.

This machine can mix 8 bags of cement per batch within 15 minutes, significantly improving efficiency and turnaround time on our projects. Previously, we hired this equipment at a high cost—paying USD 450 as a mobili-

sation fee within Harare, USD 550 for the self-loading mixer, and USD 550 for the concrete pump. By owning our own machinery, we are now able to substantially reduce construction costs for our clients.

Our goal remains to make construction affordable and accessible to Zimbabwean citizens without compromising quality.

More equipment is on the way, including:

Concrete pumps  
Small trench excavators  
Steel scaffolding  
And other essential construction tools

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## All The Other Heavy Machinery





# How **Tobius Wekwa Gutu** Tested Barmlo Construction Tinting Ratios

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This week Barmlo Construction takes pride in its one-stop-shop concept, covering all aspects of construction, including painting, tiling, electrical works, and plumbing.

In the week Tobius Wepa Gutu said he is preparing to build his kitchen and he contacted us to inquire about the paint colour code.

Our technical team explained that there is no specific colour code, as the colour of his house was custom-mixed by our team.

We instead keep a record of the tinting ratios used. At Barmlo Construction, we tint

most of the colours used on our projects to achieve unique and consistent finishes.

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For many in the diaspora—Zimbabweans residing in countries such as the UK, South Africa, Australia, and the US—the dream of owning property back home often stalls due to these financial barriers - we are the solution.





**This week the Nyaradzo Group come together to run in loving remembrance of all the loved ones that have been lost.**

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# Mokome Foundation Spreads Love Among Thousands Of Disadvantaged School Girls





# Back-To-School Pad Drive Targets Period Poverty To Keep Girls In Class

**The Kreatives Agency**  
Johannesburg, South Africa

As schools reopen for the academic year, DGN Sanitary Pads has launched a Back-to-School Pad Drive aimed at addressing period poverty, an often-overlooked barrier that continues to disrupt the education of thousands of schoolgirls across South Africa.

Research and on-the-ground experience show that learners without access to menstrual products are more likely to miss school, fall behind academically, and disengage from the learning environment.

The Back-to-School Pad Drive directly responds to this challenge by distributing sanitary pads to learners in under-resourced schools at the start of the school term, when absenteeism linked to

menstruation is most prevalent.

By aligning menstrual health support with the back-to-school period, the initiative highlights period poverty as not only a health concern, but a critical education and social equity issue.

Education stakeholders increasingly recognise that ensuring uninterrupted school attendance for girls requires practical interventions that support dignity, hygiene, and confidence.

It all began when Dr. Vivian Mokome (PhD), through the Mokome Foundation, started visiting schools to donate sanitary pads to young girls who were missing school due to lack of menstrual care.

What initially appeared to be

an isolated challenge quickly revealed a deeper and more widespread issue, systemic period poverty affecting learners across multiple communities.

These early school engagements exposed the link between menstrual health and educational outcomes, prompting the establishment of DGN Sanitary Pads as a long-term, sustainable solution rather than a once-off charitable response.

The Back-to-School Pad Drive is a continuation of that work, designed to support consistent school attendance while normalising conversations around menstrual health in educational spaces.

Choosing Dignity goes deeper than just a pad, it's about empowerment.

Every purchase fuels the mission to combat period poverty, ensuring that women and girls can manage their menstrual health with confidence and dignity.

Dignity organic biodegradable sanitary pads and body liners are designed to be comfortable, thinner than conventional pads, practical to use, and to offer superior leak resistance, even during heavy flow.

The products conform to rigorous safety and hygiene standards and feature food-grade aluminium foil with resealable openings, providing enhanced protection against moisture, mould, and bacteria, making them suitable for school environments where storage conditions may be limited.

The Back-to-School Pad Drive invites corporates, education departments, NGOs, and the public to participate in addressing a challenge that directly impacts learner retention and performance.

By ensuring access to menstrual products, the initiative contributes to broader national goals around gender equality, education access, and youth development.

As the school year begins, the campaign reinforces a clear message: no learner should miss school because of their period.

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## On Form Striker Masvanhise On The Scoresheet Amid Interest From Rangers

DSE Sports News Network

ZIMBABWEAN international Tawanda Maswanhise was on the scoresheet yesterday, continuing his rich vein of form with a goal just before halftime in Motherwell's 4-0 victory over Kilmarnock in the Scottish Premiership.

This comes amid Scottish media reports that Rangers FC, who regularly play in the Champions League - are interested in the striker.

Rangers will have to splash out upwards of £4million if they want to sign Maswanhise this month.

Rangers are in fine form right now under manager Danny Rohl as they look to challenge Hearts and Celtic to the Scottish Premiership title at the business end of the season.

Maswanhise is also attracting attention beyond Scotland, with several clubs in the English Championship understood to be tracking his progress.

The forward's strike yesterday made it a fourth consecutive match on the scoresheet, reinforcing his importance to the Fir Park side's attacking play.

ZBC is reporting that the 23-year-old has been in sublime form since returning from duty with Zimbabwe at the 2025 Africa Cup of Nations, adding to an impressive season total.



**More  
Goals....**

# Former Dynamos Captain Emmanuel Jalai Begins Life At Durban City Football Club

DSE Football News Network

Durban City Football Club has acquired the services of Zimbabwean international right-back Emmanuel Jalai (27), who joins the Citizens midway through the 2025/26 season.

The 27-year-old right-back joined the club from Dynamos FC in Zimbabwe, where he spent six years and made over 180 senior appearances. Jalai also captained the Harare-based outfit for three seasons, demonstrating his leadership and professionalism on and off the pitch. Jalai also brings valuable international experience, having represented the Warriors at the recently held Africa Cup of Nations (AFCON).

Speaking after completing his move, Jalai said: "I'm honoured to join Durban City FC. This is a new challenge for me, and I'm looking forward to giving my all for the badge and contributing to the club's ambitions."

The signing forms part of Durban City FC's long-term strategy to strengthen the squad and build for the future. "We are pleased to welcome Emmanuel Jalai to Durban City FC. He brings international experience and a strong footballing profile that aligns with the direction of the club. We believe he will add depth and quality to the squad as we move forward," Club Chairman Farook Kadodia said. Jalai has already linked up with his new teammates as the squad prepares for the remainder of the 2025/26 campaign. Durban City FC warmly welcomes Emmanuel Jalai to the Citizens family and looks forward to a successful journey together.





# The Undertaker...

## Benjani Mwaruwari Arrives In Bulawayo...

PRESS RELEASE



24 JANUARY 2026

Highlanders Football Club wishes to inform its members and stakeholders of an update to the senior team's technical setup.

We are delighted to confirm the appointment of Benjani Mwaruwari as the senior team Head Coach. A respected figure and legend of the game who is highly qualified, Benjani brings a wealth of experience, leadership, and a deep understanding of the game as the Club embarks on an exciting new trajectory.

Further announcements regarding the full coaching structure and additional appointments will be communicated in due course.

We thank our loyal supporters and stakeholders for their unwavering support and look forward to the journey ahead as we build towards a strong and competitive 2026 season.

DSE News Network

There has been mixed reactions on the DSE News Network this week to the appointment of the Undertaker as the new Highlanders coach.

Bulawayo giants Highlanders announced the appointment of former Zimbabwe Warriors captain Benjani Mwaruwari as their high-profile new head coach.

In a statement the Bulawayo giants said that Mwaruwari would join the club as the new head coach and it is

unclear what will happen to Thabo Senong who was earlier in January appointed to the same position.

Social media is awash with the news of Benjani's appointment and multiple sources are reporting that Mwaruwari has arrived in Bulawayo to take up his duties at the giants.

The former Warriors captain and Manchester City striker was reportedly welcomed at the Highlanders FC offices on Saturday by the club's chairman, Kenneth Mhlophe his vice, Fiso Siziba, CEO Denzil Mnkandla, board chair Luke

Mnkandla and an official identified as Jabulani Nkomo, who is in charge of the sponsorship arrangement. His assistant Mkhokheli Dube was also among those who welcomed the Undertaker.

Highlanders holds a special place in Zimbabwean football and there is no doubt that each and every move that Coach Benjani will make, will be heavily scrutinised by both the die-hards and those who watch football closely. Benjani has said that he is happy to come back to Bosso - the club he once played with as a junior.

Enter...

Courtney Walsh



# What The Gentleman Brings To Zimbabwe Cricket

Zimbabwe Cricket (ZC) has appointed legendary West Indies fast bowler Courtney Walsh as a bowling consultant for the national team ahead of the 2026 ICC Men's T20 World Cup, to be co-hosted by India and Sri Lanka from February 7 to March 8.

Zimbabwe Cricket said Walsh has already begun working with the squad as Zimbabwe intensify their preparations for the tournament, where they are in Group B alongside 2021 champions Australia, 2014 winners Sri Lanka, Ireland, and Oman.

"I am very excited about the opportunity to work with

Zimbabwe and am really looking forward to the challenges ahead. I think we have a very good chance once we execute well and work together as a team and adapt to the conditions.

The combination of the attack has impressed me from watching and the potential that's within the team," said Walsh.

Walsh represented the West Indies from 1984 to 2001, claiming 519 wickets in 132 Tests and becoming the first bowler to reach 500 Test wickets. Since retiring, he has taken up coaching roles, like being the head coach of the

West Indies women's team and serving as bowling coach for Bangladesh's men's side.

In April 2024, he also worked as a technical consultant to the Zimbabwe women's national team. "Courtney Walsh brings unparalleled experience and insight at the highest level of international cricket, particularly in fast bowling.

As we prepare for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup, it was important for us to bring in someone who understands what it takes to succeed on the global stage. "Courtney's knowledge, professionalism, and abili-

ty to mentor players will be invaluable as we sharpen our bowling resources for the challenges ahead. He has previously worked with our women's national team and understands our cricketing environment.

That continuity, combined with his global coaching experience, gives us confidence that he will have a meaningful impact on the squad," said Givemore Makoni, ZC Managing Director.

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experience and insight at the highest level of international cricket, particularly in fast bowling. As we prepare for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup, it was important for us to bring in someone who understands what it takes to succeed on the global stage.

Zimbabwe will then travel to Kandy to face Ireland at Pallakele International Cricket Stadium on February 17, before returning to Colombo to conclude their group fixtures against Sri Lanka at the R. Premadasa Stadium on February 19. The top two teams from Group B will advance to the Super Eight stage of the tournament. - IANS