



BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

WENDY LUHABE

Wendy Luhabe is the Chairman of the Women Private Equity Fund.

She has been a pioneering Social Entrepreneur and Economic Activist for the past 20 years. She is most known for her pioneering Social Enterprises. Firstly, in developing effective Human Resources interventions for companies to improve productivity and performance of new graduates. Secondly, for the Economic participation of women through a Portfolio Investment Company called Wiphold, and thirdly, a Venture Capital Equity Fund to invest in women owned or managed enterprises.

She is currently focusing on Community empowerment initiatives through investments in Micro Bakeries and Agriculture.

She has extensive board experience in both the private and public sectors, in Telecommunications, FMCG, Finance, Private Equity and Human/Social Capital Development and Luxury Brands.

She is an Author, Public speaker, Thought Leader and is deeply passionate about Leadership, Mentorship, Women's development and building an Ecosystem for Entrepreneurship to flourish in Africa. She is on the Supervisory Board of the IMD Business School in Lausanne, Switzerland, Essec in France and the Board of the Abraaj Group in Dubai. She was recently appointed as an independent Director of the World Rugby Board.

She is a recipient of 3 Honorary Doctorates and a founding member of the International Council of Business Women Leaders initiated by Ms Hilary Clinton on the Economic Empowerment of Women. She was appointed as an Honorary Lieutenant of the Royal Victorian Order by the Queen of England in December 2013.

She is a member of the CDE Global Advisory Council, South Africa's leading Policy Think Tank. She is also a board member of the Social Justice Initiative, to encourage South Africans to invest in Social Justice.

Wendy Luhabe is married, has a Son, three grandchildren and is an aspiring Harpist.