## FRANCIS CHABATA

EDUCATION         UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, Kenan-Flagler Business School – Chapel Hill, NC         Master of Business Administration, Full-Time MBA Program, STEM Designation         • Concentrations in Corporate Finance and Capital Markets & Investments	
UNIVERSITY OF ZIMBABWE – Harare, Zimbabwe Bachelor of Accountancy : • Honors Degree 3.8 GPA	June 2015
EXPERIENCE	
<ul> <li>INTERNEWS TRUST – Harare, Zimbabwe</li> <li>Organization focuses on empowering communities worldwide with access to accurate and Finance Officer <ul> <li>Led financial planning and portfolio optimization for \$25M+ in capital, improving reducing costs by 15%.</li> <li>Built advanced financial models to simulate ROI and scenario outcomes, strengther prioritization.</li> <li>Spearheaded internal financial audits and due diligence across multi-entity operation with global reporting standards.</li> <li>Conducted trend and variance analysis, leading to a 20% improvement in capital de support.</li> <li>Presented executive-ready performance briefings that directly informed quarterly c</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	strategic investment decisions and ning liquidity forecasting and resource ons, maintaining 100% compliance eployment accuracy and decision
FHI 360 TRUST – Zimbabwe	2016-2021
Global organization improving lives and communities through locally driven, integrated s Finance Officer - Mutare (2017-2021)	
<ul> <li>Developed strategic financial models and forecasts to inform high-stakes funding d increasing allocation efficiency by 20%.</li> <li>Performed due diligence and modeled cash flows for a \$10M project acquisition, correcommendation.</li> <li>Delivered detailed variance, pipeline, and scenario analysis on \$50M in programma opportunities that improved program efficiency by 15%.</li> <li>Partnered with cross-functional teams to enhance reporting accuracy by 70%, supplied to a strategic field of the strategic field of t</li></ul>	ontributing to a successful investment atic budgets, surfacing cost-saving

- Partnered with cross-functional teams to enhance reporting accuracy by 70%, supporting evidence-based strategic planning akin to investor performance reviews.
   Evaluated project BOL and quided capital deployment corose operational units, contributing to a 60% improvement.
- Evaluated project ROI and guided capital deployment across operational units, contributing to a 60% improvement in funding impact and long-term sustainability.

## Finance and Admin Assistant – Harare (2016-2017)

• Supported financial analysis, budgeting, and reporting functions; enabled timely capital deployment by streamlining reporting cycles and enhancing operational transparency

## Skills

- Financial Modeling (DCF, IRR, MOIC) | Capital Allocation | Cash Flow Forecasting
- Scenario & Sensitivity Analysis | Strategic FP&A | Business Case Development
- Financial Due Diligence | Scenario Planning | Operating Efficiency Analysis | Financial analysis
- Strategic Communication | Cross-Functional Collaboration | Stakeholder Engagement | strategic problem-solving
- KPI Dashboarding | Variance Analysis | Financial Reporting | Executive Communication

## ADDITIONAL & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Coordinated the distribution of healthcare kits from 4,000 to 5,000 individuals during the pandemic, demonstrating the ability to lead, mobilize resources, and work under pressure.
- Soccer fanatic; attended the 2010 FIFA World Cup in South Africa, embracing global culture and team spirit.