

# INDUSTRIALISATION:

Crafting an Integrated Economic Landscape



years
BLUE SAPPHIRE EDITION

### ZITF 2025: CRAFTING THE ECONOMIC LANDSCAPE

Experience the future of Zimbabwean industry at the 65<sup>th</sup> Zimbabwe International Trade Fair (ZITF). This year's theme, 'Industrialisation: Crafting an Integrated Economic Landscape,' underscores the critical role of industrialisation in driving Zimbabwe's economic growth. Beyond a traditional trade show, ZITF 2025 (the 'blue sapphire edition') will be a dynamic platform where innovation and opportunity converge.

This year's focus will be on showcasing cutting-edge advancements in manufacturing, technology, agriculture, and value-added services, emphasizing the need for a robust and competitive industrial base. Key areas of exploration will include strategies to maximise the manufacturing industry's contribution to the growth of upstream and downstream industries, specifically by focusing on tooling and re-tooling, infrastructure development, access to finance, market expansion, and export diversification.

By prioritising partnerships, technology adoption, skills development, and sustainability, ZITF 2025 aims to foster collaboration, attract investment, and stimulate innovation. This exhibition provides a unique opportunity to connect with Zimbabwean businesses, explore investment prospects, and gain valuable insights into the country's evolving economic landscape.

## Be part of the Blue Sapphire Edition and embark on a revolutionary journey towards economic revitalisation and advancement!

ZITF 2025 PROJECTIONS

ZIMBABWE



800+ TOTAL EXHIBITORS



30+ EXHIBITING



10 0004 BUSINESS VISITORS



75 000+ TOTAL VISITORS

Zimbabwe, derived from the Shona word Dzimbadzemabwe, meaning "the great houses of stone," is a vibrant nation known for its resilience, rich heritage, natural beauty, and economic potential. At the heart of this progress is the spirit of Zimbabwe's people—warm, hardworking, and determined—whose cultural heritage and collective strength of will are foundational to the nation's ongoing development and success.

The country boasts breathtaking landscapes that captivate travelers and investors alike. From the majestic Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders, to the serene shores of Lake Kariba, its natural beauty presents boundless opportunities for tourism and eco-friendly ventures.

Zimbabwe's agricultural sector is robust, with fertile lands supporting the cultivation of a variety of crops. This sector remains a cornerstone of the economy, helping to diversify the nation's economic base and enhance global competitiveness, contributing to a balanced and resilient economy.

Rich in mineral resources, including gold, platinum, lithium, and diamonds, Zimbabwe is primed for exploration and mining investment. Yet, the nation's true potential lies in its emerging tech and manufacturing sectors, key drivers of economic growth. The country's commitment to creating a conducive business environment is evident in its focus on industrial development, with innovation at the core of its economic strategy.

Situated in the heart of Southern Africa, Zimbabwe serves as a vital gateway for trade and commerce in the region. As the current Chair of the Southern African Development Community (SADC), Zimbabwe plays a pivotal role in promoting regional integration and sustainable growth. This leadership underscores Zimbabwe's dedication to being a supportive global neighbor, recognizing the power of collaboration in creating a stable and prosperous Southern Africa, Africa, and the world.

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390,757 KM<sup>2</sup>

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Facts and figures (2023) Source – World Bank

# 2ITF 2025: SHAPING THE FUTURE THROUGH INDUSTRIALISATION 82%

of exhibitors are eager to return for ZITF 2025 — a testament to the

of business visitors felt their goals were achieved — proving ZITF is the place to connect and grow! of conference delegates rated the quality and content of the sessions as outstanding — demonstrating our commitment to excellence!

A LOOK BACK AT ZITF 2024

#### **GET SET FOR ZITF 2025: ELEVATE YOUR EXHIBITION EXPERIENCE!**

#### **FOCUS AREAS**

Immerse yourself in a showcase of cutting-edge innovations across various sectors, including:

- Agriculture (value-addition, products, and services),
- Construction and infrastructure development,
- Education and Human Capital Development,
- Financial services,
- Innovation and Information and communication technologies (ICTs),
- Infrastructure development (energy, transport and telecoms),
- Manufacturing,
- Mining,
- Printing and packaging,
- Publishing (print and digital),
- Renovation specialists and suppliers, and,
- Tourism (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Events - MICE).

#### **BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION**

Competitor Insights

Gain unparalleled insights into global and local market dynamics to inform strategic decisions.

Risk Mitigation

Strengthen your risk management strategies by analyzing the competition and market to minimize business disruptions.

Association Building

Engage with like-minded professionals, fostering valuable partnerships and capitalising on mutually beneficial opportunities.

Future-focused Innovations

Stay ahead of the curve by learning about vital industry advancements, ensuring seamless global market entry and sustainable growth.

Trade Visibility

Maximise your reach and influence to drive your business forward in an ever-evolving marketplace.

#### **HOW TO TAKE PART**

#### **EXHIBITOR**

Showcase your bold ideas, unique products, and exceptional services as we co-create a future of boundless possibilities.

**BOOK YOUR STAND NOW** 



#### **VISITOR**

the potential to forge valuable partnerships that can elevate your success.

**REGISTER TO VISIT** 



#### **BUYER**

Grow your network of reliable and high-quality Zimbabwean and international suppliers eager to cater to your unique needs!

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST







Immerse yourself in the concurrent events that bring together industry leaders, innovators, and visionaries, creating a dynamic environment for collaboration and growth.

#### **Industry and Trade Platforms**



#### **ZITF International Business** Conference

23 April 2025

This is Zimbabwe's largest and premier business conference where government leaders, policymakers, and industry experts converge. Engage in crucial discussions on pertinent economic issues, including integrated industrialisation for sustainable growth, global unlock business opportunities. Register your interest on ibc@zitf.co.zw.



#### **Connect Africa Symposium**

24 April 2025

Inspired by the vision of the AfCFTA, this dynamic platform brings together diverse ideas to shape a prosperous Africa. Engage with key stakeholders, share insights, and explore innovative solutions that drive economic growth across the continent. Register your interest at connectafrica@zitf.co.zw.



#### **ZITF Diplomats Forum**

24 April 2025

prestigious event convenes members of the diplomatic corps, development bodies, and international organisations to explore trade and investment opportunities in Zimbabwe, fostering stronger relationships between the nation and its global allies. For more information, please email market@zitf.co.zw

#### **Innovation and Youth-focused Events**



#### **ZITF Innovators Forum**

22 -23 April 2025

dynamic event uniting young entrepreneurs and innovation enthusiasts. This platform showcases local innovations, sparks business connections, and fosters knowledge-sharing to drive industry revitalization and economic Featuring transformation. a Pitch Competition and Hackathon, it offers key opportunities spotlight to entrepreneurial talent and groundbreaking ideas. Register your interest on: innovatorsforum@zitf.co.zw



#### Scholastica Indaba

24 April 2025

A premier platform that seamlessly industry connects and academia, fostering insightful discussions and valuable networking opportunities with key stakeholders in Zimbabwe's higher education sector. This event presents a unique opportunity for students to learn from industry leaders, share their perspectives, and gain essential insights that will help them shape their educational journeys and map their career paths. Register your interest on scholastica@zitf.co.zw

#### **Public Entertainment and Sports**



#### Official Opening Ceremony

25 April 2025

This exclusive event, attended by high-profile dignitaries including Head of Zimbabwe's State and international esteemed guests, highlights the ZITF's role in fostering trade, investment, and tourism in the region. It also includes the celebration of winners of the exhibition competitions and features various entertainment acts. more information, emai gmsecretary@zitf.co.zw



#### **ZITF Charity Golf Challenge**

24 April 2025

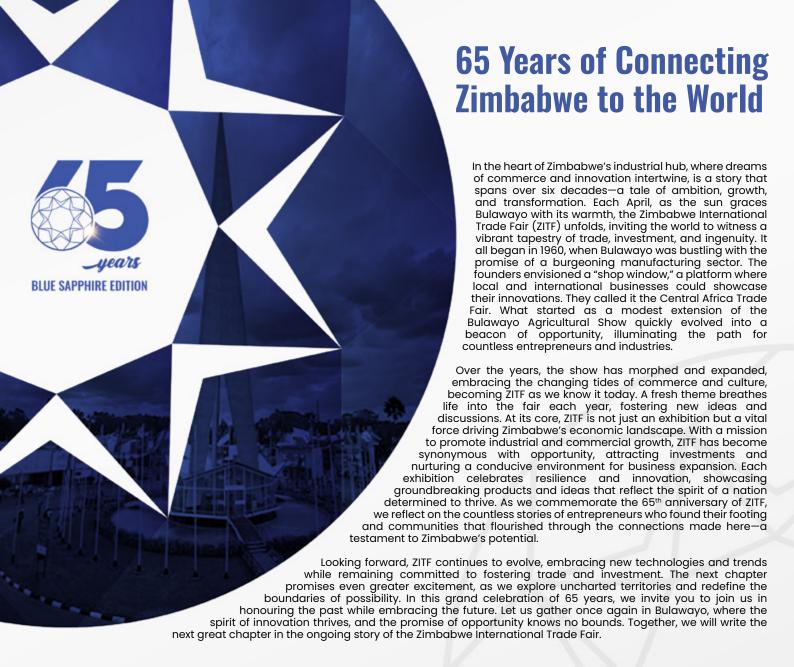
Tee off at the ZITF Charity Golf Challenge, where business meets leisure in a perfect blend of networking recreation. Enjoy a refreshing day on the green while forging valuable connections away from the bustling exhibition halls-all in support of a worthy charitable cause. To register for participation, please email: golf@zitf.co.zw

#### **CONCURRENT EXHIBITIONS**

CLICK TO DOWNLOAD



business connections. Don't full potential of networking!















#### **ZITF 2025: EXPAND YOUR REACH BEYOND THE EXHIBITION FLOOR**

With a variety of customer touchpoints available, we offer the perfect platform to position your brand for guaranteed success. Don't miss this opportunity to partner with us and make a lasting impact on your target audience. Contact us today to get started!

## Advertise your products & services through our:

- Website and social media pages
- Exhibition hall signage
- Conference and Golf Tournament functions
- Outdoor media
- Catalogue & Bulletin Publications

Contact *marketing@zitf.co.zw* to book your advertising space.



## Sponsor the following to enjoy brand visibility benefits:

- Corporate wear
- Delegate bags and goodies
- Lanyards
- Tickets & Badges
- Wi-Fi and Connectivity
- Refreshments for exhibitor lounges

Contact *pr@zitf.co.zw* for more information.



#### **Other Services**

#### **Exhibitor Lounges**

5 out of the 6 halls have exhibitor lounges which provide a quiet area to get away from the hustle and bustle of the expo. Teas and coffees are provided in a clean and comfortable environment. Sponsorship opportunities are available (refreshments, Wi-Fi and furniture etc.); providing additional prospects to amplify your brand presence.

For more information contact us on: marketing@zitf.co.zw

#### **Networking Zones**

These are dotted around the exhibition halls, providing the perfect place for you to rest between stand visits as well as providing a place for you to engage in meaningful business exchange.

#### Venue hire

If you would like to host a cocktail, conference, product launch, workshop or any othercorporate function on the sidelines of ZITF 2025, please do not hesitate to contact us on:

salesbyo@zitf.co.zw

#### Partner with us by providing:

- Print, electronic & online media
- Excursions & city tours
- Entertainment
- Shuttle & Transport Services
- Accommodation

Contact **pr@zitf.co.zw** for more information.

## Gain Brand Recognition





## ZITF 2025 EXPODIARY

MON
21
APRIL

Exhibition Begins

TUE 22 APRIL Welcome Cocktail (in partnership with the British Embassy in Zimbabwe) Buyers' Speed Networking ZITF 2025 Innovators Forum and Hackathor

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23
APRIL

ZITF International Business Conference
B2B Meetings
ZITF 2025 Innovators Forum and Hackath

THU **24** APRIL

Connect Africa Symposium
ZITF Diplomats' Forum
ZITF Charity Golf Challenge
CZI OEM Breakfast Meeting
Scholastica Indaba

FRI **25** APRIL

Official Opening Ceremony ZNCC Business Luncheon

SAT **26** APRIL

Public Entertainment Programme
Exhibition Ends

#### ZITF 2025 is organised and hosted by;

The Zimbabwe International Trade Fair Company

Zimbabwe International Exhibition Centre

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## 2025 EXHIBITION CALENDAR

LIVESTOCK CONFERENCE

Livestock Conference

5 - 6 March 2025



Zimbabwe International Trade Fair Multi-sectoral International Exhibition

21 - 26 April 2025

**TECH**EXPO

Technology Expo

4 - 6 June 2025



Mining, Engineering and Transport Exhibition

16 - 18 July 2025



Education, Careers & Training Exhibition incorporating Professional Training & Consultancy

30 July - 1 August 2025



Sanganai/Hlanganani World Tourism Expo

**TBA** 



Climate Change Conference & Green Business Expo

24-26 September 2025



Africa Infrastructure & Built Environment Confex

8 - 10 October 2025

The Zimbabwe International Trade Fair is recognised by the following bodies and organisations

Ministry of Industry & Commerce, Ministry of Foreign Affairs & International Trade, Ministry of Finance, Economic Development and Investment Promotion, Confederation of Zimbabwe Industries (CZI), Zimtrade, Zimbabwe National Chamber of Commerce (ZNCC), Zimbabwe Investment & Development Agency (ZIDA), Zimbabwe Tourism Authority (ZTA), Zimbabwe Council of Tourism, Bulawayo Agricultural Society, City of Bulawayo









