

## SCAF knowledge series: First episode of the Powering Development Podcast out now



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As part of the SCAF knowledge series we proudly present the first episode of the Powering Development Podcast. In this podcast, we interview people in the renewable energy sector to share their first-hand experience, how they overcome challenges, and what potential the sector holds.



In the first episode, SCAF's Alexander Kinnel interviews Roanne Albertyn (CFO Africa of VS Hydro) and Memory Mashingaidze (Co-Founder and Director of Tatanga Energy) about the challenges of developing projects in Zimbabwe and women in energy.

Both women worked together on the Great Zimbabwe Hydro project, which SCAF supported under its Support Line 2 co-financing legal cost and technical

studies.

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***Joining a developer and contractor and being on the side of asking for funds and not signing cheques was a learning curve, and in my view, a much harder play in the energy space.***

***(Roanne Albertyn)***

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Memory and Roanne have a lot of experience in this still male dominated industry and are also sharing insights for women working in the energy sector.

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***Sometimes every job, assignment or connection may not seem important, but it is important to learn as much as you can from as many people as you can. Put your hand up to do things that are out of your comfort zone, make those connections, find your voice in the meeting regardless of your personality. (Memory Mashingaidze)***

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A transcript of the podcast will also be published in due course.

What would you be interested in to learn about SCAF's work or the work of our partners? Which subsectors and geographies are most relevant for your work and should therefore be covered? Are there certain areas during the development process that the knowledge series should address?

Reach out to us at [info@scaf-energy.org](mailto:info@scaf-energy.org).