

IPE Triple Line appoints new private sector head, Richard Waddington

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IPE Global continues to broaden its Private Sector Development capability with the recent appointment of Richard Waddington as Director- Private Sector Development who brings in nearly 15 years of experience from across Africa and Asia.



Richard Waddington will be based in IPE Global's Nairobi office. He will be responsible for building the company's private sector portfolio primarily in the African market, bringing in his rich experience in market systems development (urban and rural), value chain strengthening, business environment reform and youth employment.

Previously Head of Growth for Adam Smith International (ASI) Eastern and Southern Africa, Richard was responsible for delivering major market development and regional economic development programmes for key clients including DFID, the Gatsby Foundation and Trade Mark East Africa. Immediately prior to joining IPE Triple Line Richard was Project Director for DFID's £5 million Kuza Youth Employment Programme in Mombasa, a 3 year programme designed to address the root causes of youth unemployment in Kenya's second largest city. Richard has also recently been working with Trade Mark East Africa in the design of its Growth Hub programmes, a spatial approach to boosting competitiveness and trade flows in key strategic sites in the East African Trade Network. Earlier, under the £23 million Kenya Market Assistance Programme Richard was seconded to the Kenya Markets Trust where he played key leadership roles in increasing agricultural productivity and small holder farmer's access to markets across a range of agricultural market systems.

'Richard is highly regarded in the field of private sector development, and he brings strong skills, experience and relationships that make him a key member of our PSD practice,' said IPE's Vice Chairman & Managing Director Ashwajit Singh. 'We're very excited about working with him, his expertise and dynamism are great additions to our existing capacity.'

Richard takes over from David Smith, who has led IPE Triple Line's Africa and PSD teams since 2015, enabling David to focus on project delivery. David remains a Director of IPE Triple Line.

This new role follows the appointment of Jamie Simpson as Global Lead for Infrastructure and Urban Development and Dr Richard Slater as Director - Research, Development & Learning to further facilitate IPE Global's international urban capability.

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