# Trends in Corporate Governance

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#### CREDIBILITY STATEMENT

- FCPA Eric Kimani, CPS (K), LLB (Laws)
- Over 30 years Board room experience
- Current Chair Board /Risk/Procurement -I & M Bank
- Current Chair Board Audit Kibo Fund, Mauritius
- Chaired many previous audit committees
- Previously CEO at Sameer Africa, KTDA
- Trained Corporate Governance facilitator

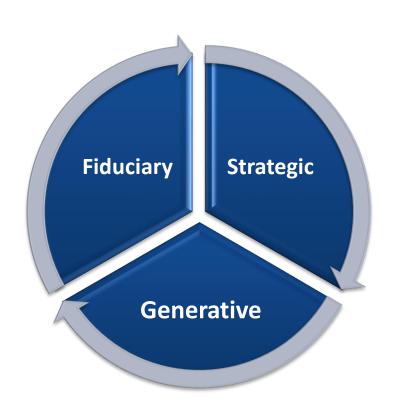
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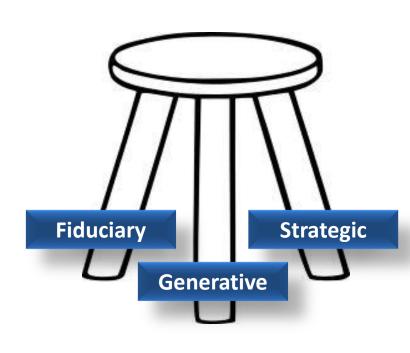
- Introduction- The role of the Board-recital
- The Global Trends-Discussion
- Where do we go from here?

#### Role of the Board

- 1. Fiduciary-Conformance-control. Financial oversight, legal, accountability
- 2. Strategic-Performance. Direction
- 3. Generative-futuristic

### Governance as Leadership





# Role of the Board (cont.)

- OVERSIGHT over;
- Financial reporting and accounting
- External Audit
- Regulatory Compliance
- Monitoring Internal Controls and Internal Audit
- Risk Management

#### GLOBAL TRENDS

- 1. Long termism versus short termism/Focus on Strategy & Value creation.
- 2. Term/Rotation/age/Succession
- 3. Diversity/composition-better boards and diversity
- 4. Evaluations-performance evaluations
- 5. Vicariously liable/one board

# GLOBAL TREENDS (Cont.)

- 6. Shareholder engagement-Greater shareholder control & accountability
- 7. CEO & Board Chair roles
- 8 .Regulatory
- 9. Risk Management-Risk Governance & management.
- 10. IT issues-information technology governance
- 11. Communication

# GLOBAL TREENDS (Cont.)

- 12. Greater attention towards Director Independence- CBK/Mwongozo/Uchumi
- 13. Shareholder democracy versus stakeholder democracy
- 14. Compensation Governance

## In my view

- 1. Professionalism is growing
- 2. The value preposition is growing
- 3. External force will continue to exact change on Boards
- 4. Increased scrutiny- sustainability reporting, CSR, etc
- 5. A triple bottom line
- 6. Technological governance

## Where do we go from here?

- An effective board will provide good governance and leadership by:
  - understanding their role;
  - ensuring delivery of organisational purpose;
  - working effectively both as individuals and as a team;
  - exercising effective control;
  - behaving with integrity; and
  - being open and accountable.

## Questions/Comments?

 What is the one or two trends that you will want your board to pay attention to?

What will do about it?