

# Chapter 14

## Public–Private Partnerships for Sustainability in the Context of Zimbabwe

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### **ABSTRACT**

*Public Private Partnerships have become the cornerstones of most developed and developing countries, and Zimbabwe is not an exception as they are flagship PPPs that have stood the test of time. The country could benefit so much from the use of public private partnerships as a means of sustainable development. The objectives were to investigate how the PPPs can contribute to sustainability in Zimbabwe showcasing the possibilities, obstacles, and future directions for effective public and private cooperation. The study made use of a qualitative study using document review method. The rationale behind using these companies is that they have PPPs running or completed and the authors looked at what contributions were made and what are the effects. The results showed that PPPs can be a source of sustainability in Zimbabwe as witnessed by the completion of Beitbridge Border Post, road rehabilitation and other running PPPs such as the Airport of Zimbabwe. Barriers such as political, economic and social can be solved and the country remain sustainable.*

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

Public-private partnerships (PPPs) have gained popularity recently as a viable strategy for achieving sustainability objectives across a range of global industries success. Together, public and private sectors pool their resources, knowledge, and innovativeness to tackle intricate environmental and socioeconomic problems through these collaborations. Investigating the potential of PPPs for sustainability is crucial in the context of Zimbabwe, where socio-political and economic restrictions continue to make sustainable development a top concern. The purpose of this chapter proposal is to investigate how PPPs contribute to sustainability in Zimbabwe by highlighting the main chances, obstacles, and future directions for effective public-private sector cooperation.

## **2. OBJECTIVES OF THIS CHAPTER**

The purpose of this book chapter proposal is to investigate how PPPs contribute to sustainability in Zimbabwe by highlighting the main chances, obstacles, and future directions for effective public-private sector cooperation. This proposed chapter's main goal is to present a thorough examination of PPPs' contribution to Zimbabwe's sustainability goals.

## **3. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

The study made use of a qualitative methodology, making use of secondary data searched on online repositories which speaks of completed PPPs in Zimbabwe and one of the major focus data was extracted from the completion of Beitbridge Border Post expansion which has stood out to be a flagship PPP of Zimbabwe. The researcher made of document review as way of supporting this study (Butcher, 2022; Hamann, 2022; Kinn & Curzio, 2005). In addition to the above, the researcher focused on the work being done at the Robert Mugabe International Airport's expansion which is taking shape and any other PPPs completed in Zimbabwe that may be supporting the importance of PPPs in improving service delivery for sustainability. The researcher further analysed the data and put it into 3 key themes, that is 1) PPPs as a sustainable solution to Zimbabwe, 2) Easy of doing business and strengthening legal framework and 3) Collaboration and Transparency.

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