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Company Profile

Hatch is a leading international engineering consulting and professional services firm that is passionately committed to the pursuit of a better world through positive change. Our global network of over 9000 professionals tackles the world's toughest challenges. Climate change is one of those challenges and has become increasingly important to our clients. Hatch has the opportunity to play an important role in finding and implementing solutions to climate change challenges.

Our response has been to assemble a dedicated Climate Change business practice that combines our deep technical knowledge and extensive client project experience with experts in climate change and clean technologies to help our clients mitigate their greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and to adapt to the transitional and physical changes brought on by climate change.

Moderator Profile

Prior to joining Hatch, Robert spent over 25 years in the mining and minerals processing industry in South Africa, Canada, Russia and various CIS countries in the various roles of a metallurgist, process engineer, project manager, senior manager and various directorship roles. He carries an extensive hands-on experience in operations, mining and processing project development, and several technical specializations in minerals processing, through experience gained globally.

Robert started his career at the Anglo-American Corporation (South Africa). He then worked for De Beers group of companies, moving up through the ranks from graduate trainee to the positions of senior plant metallurgist, process engineer, diamond recovery specialist, ultimately reaching the level of a senior technical analyst in the course of 13 years and in various locations across the globe.

Subsequently, Robert moved from the world of mining companies to working in the engineering field where he served as an Engineering and Process Director at Bateman Group of companies in southern Africa and later, in Russia. He then took on the challenge of managing an engineering company in the role of the CEO of ULS Mineral Resource Projects. In addition, during his career he also had a short stint as a Vice President of Engineering at a major Russian gold producing company Polyus.

Robert holds two university degrees, a BScEng (Extractive Metallurgy – Minerals Processing) from the University of Witwatersrand in South Africa and an MBA from Wits Business School with majors in finance, strategy and knowledge management. He is a registered Fellow of the South African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (SAIMM) as well as a professional engineer (PrEng) with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA).