

**Professor Silas Lwakabamba**  
**Rwanda Minister of Education**

Professor Silas Lwakabamba is the Rwanda Minister of Education since July 2014. Prior to this he was the Minister for Infrastructure of the Republic of Rwanda since February 2013. Previously, he was Rector of the National University of Rwanda (2006-2013) and Rector of the Kigali Institute of Science and Technology, Rwanda (1997-2006).

Professor Lwakabamba has a PhD in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Leeds, UK. He later became Dean of the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and then Director of Training Extension Services at the UN-supported Africa Regional Centre of Engineering Design and Manufacturing in Nigeria.

Professor Lwakabamba has also been a member of several boards including UNESCO, the African Virtual University, and various committees on higher education, science, technology, and socioeconomic affairs.