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François is the **Founding Director** of the **Bertha Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship** at **University of Cape Town's Graduate School of Business**. The Bertha Centre has rapidly become the **leading academic centre** in Africa dedicated to uncovering, pioneering, connecting and advancing social innovation in the region. In four years he has **built a dynamic team** of 24 people (making up 20% of the business school staff), has **generated over ZAR168m** (USD13m) from 27 diverse clients and donors, embedded social innovation into the **core curriculum** of Africa's leading MBA, established a new Masters programme in Inclusive Innovation, and pioneered 3 innovation hubs, including a satellite campus of the university of in Philippi township in Cape Town, and with his team worked to introduce and launch the first **social impact bonds** in Africa with South African government.

He has been selected as a **Rhodes Scholar**; a **Global Leadership Fellow** of the World Economic Forum; an Archbishop Tutu **African Leadership Fellow**; and, under his leadership, the Bertha Centre was awarded the Vice Chancellor's **Distinguished Award for Social Responsiveness** at the University of Cape Town in 2015.

He originally trained as a medical doctor in South Africa, graduating top of his class at the University of Cape Town's medical school with the **Gold Medal for Medicine**. He worked in clinical paediatrics and child health in several low-middle income countries from primary to tertiary care levels. On the Rhodes Scholarship, he read for a **Masters in Public Health** at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and the **MBA at the University of Oxford Saïd Business School**, where he was awarded the **Saïd Prize** for the Best Overall MBA Student.

He later joined the **World Economic Forum** in Switzerland, undertaking a three-year mid-career leadership programme, while working in building **public private partnerships** in global health with the Global Fund and WHO as Associate Director of the WEF's **Global Health Initiative**. He later became the Head of Africa and the Middle East for the **Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship**, building these portfolios to advocate and support the development of market based solutions in those regions.

He has led **humanitarian** and **development** programmes; worked on **public-private partnerships** on a global and national level; managed development funding; and consulted to UN institutions, country governments, for-profit social businesses, and non-profit social ventures. He has published in health and development and was the Contributing Editor to the MIT journal's special edition on "Social Innovation in a Post Crisis World", launched at the Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland in 2010, as well as several other review publications in social innovation. Through these roles, he has developed **extensive networks** amongst leading social entrepreneurs, but also with institutional changemakers at international institutions, governments, corporates and foundations.

Bringing together his passion for health, social innovation and entrepreneurship, he co-developed a **hybrid social venture** with leading child health experts to produce **appropriate medical devices** for low resource settings. Powerfree Education and Technology is a South African non-profit that won the international **INDEX Design for Life Award** for its first product in 2009, and was awarded a **Gates Grand Challenge award**. The devices are used by organizations such as Médecins Sans Frontier (Doctors without Borders) in numerous field operations. In 2014, he led negotiations in developing a corporate partnership with **Philips Healthcare** for R&D and global distribution.

He continues to be consulted by corporates, foundations, social venture funds and high net worth individuals on blended value investments and social impact strategies on the African continent. He has previously worked with the Rockefeller Foundation, Gates Foundation, Virgin Unite, Save the Children, UNICEF, WHO, World Bank, Vodacom, MTN, Philips, and family foundations. He has also chaired the Ernst & Young Social Entrepreneur of the Year Award for 5 years and has sat as a member on the Inclusive Innovation Taskforce of South Africa, the UNDP SEED Award's International Jury, the SAB Innovation Award Jury, and Grand Challenges Canada.

He has been **dedicated to stimulating social innovation in Africa**, helping to establish an environment of talent and resources for greater impact. He was profiled in Leadership Magazine in South Africa for its special social leadership edition in July 2011 and is a regular speaker at academic, business and civil society events on social innovation, impact investing, philanthropy and business models for social change. He is a board member of several organizations including the newly formed Tshisimani Centre for Activist Education.

CURRENT & RECENT PROFESSIONAL ROLES

- 2011 -16 Founding Director, Bertha Centre for Social Innovation & Entrepreneurship, Graduate School of Business, University of Cape Town, South Africa**
- Established leading centre in social and inclusive innovation and entrepreneurship with focus on Africa
 - Raised over ZAR168m (over US\$13 in nominal terms) from 27 different clients, funders and strategic partners across all sectors of government, multilateral, corporate, philanthropic and HNWI (national & international)
 - Built new scholarship programme attracting new breed committed Africans to business school to focus on impact
 - Developed and launched first MOOC at UCT GSB – Top 10 globally in 2016 with >10,000 enrolled in 6 months
 - Established and teach social innovation as core compulsory curriculum on MBA, MPhil and Exec Ed programs
 - Oversaw global fellowship executive programmes for Rockefeller Foundation and pioneered new executive courses
 - Developing research areas in health & education innovations, innovative finance & scaling social innovation
 - Commissioned by provincial and national governments on social innovation and social entrepreneurship policy
 - Led the team that designed, developed and supported the launch of the first social impact bonds in Africa
 - Developed, launched and co-convened new Masters in Inclusive Innovation, now a standalone program at GSB
 - Central to development and establishment of Solution Space innovation Hub on main campus
 - Central to development of satellite Solution Space facility in Phlippi Village in peri-urban township in Cape Town
- 2008-11 Head, Africa & the Middle East, Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship, Switzerland**
- Support & build leading network of best practice social innovations & business models in Middle East & Africa
 - Develop partnerships with business, government, development agencies, civil society, media & international institutions (including UNDP, World Bank, IFC) to bring best practice models to a global scale & to inform policy
 - Developed replication fund to stimulate and support replication of best practice innovations & technologies
- 2010-11 Senior Advisor, Virgin Unite, National Department of Health & Office of the Presidency, South Africa**
- Provided strategic and technical input into public private partnership model for a national Disease Control Hub
- 2009-10 Social Investment Advisor, Bamboo Finance and LGT Venture Philanthropy, Switzerland**
- Provided due diligence and social investment advice to two leading blended value investment funds on targeted investments in Africa, with the successful closure of two deals worth more than R60m
- 2005-08 Associate Director, Global Health Initiative, World Economic Forum, Switzerland**
- Led country teams on establishing public private partnerships on TB and HIV with multi-million dollar budgets
 - Led agenda & content development for major summits (including Davos) with experts/leaders in global health
 - Developed and coordinated private sector participation in multi-stakeholder global health partnerships (including the Global Fund to Fight HIV/AIDS, TB & Malaria). Served as primary driver for partnerships and collaboration between business/ public/ civil sectors of the Boards, designing & leading new initiatives
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CONCURRENT ENTREPRENEURIAL & AND BOARD ROLES

- 2015-16 Director, Tshisimani Centre for Activist Education**
- Newly established non-profit organization for building capacity in activist organizations in the African region
- 2007-16 Director, Powerfree Education & Technology, South Africa**
- A social business and a non-profit organization work cooperatively to develop low-cost medical equipment to tackle major causes of child mortality in low resource settings, bringing these innovative products to market
 - INDEX Design Award (largest Design for Life award globally); Gates Foundation Grand Challenge Award 2011
- 2008-14 Regional Secretary, Rhodes Scholarship, Rhodes Trust of Southern Africa**
- Secretary of selection committee managing process of Rhodes Scholarships for Western & Northern Cape
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MEDICAL AND HEALTH POLICY ROLES

- 2000-12 Clinical and public health roles in child health**
- Over the last two decades, over ten years of experience in clinical paediatrics in part and full time positions at Red Cross Children's Hospital in South Africa, and also in Namibia, Malawi, India and the United Kingdom
 - Initiated and implemented innovative, effective child health programmes in Namibia & South Africa
 - Planned and executed earthquake relief mission with post-crisis micro-economic development project in India
- 2005-11 Health policy highlights**
- Advisor on Health Innovations - Global Forum for Health Research, Switzerland
 - Wellcome Trust Expert Review Panel for R&D for Affordable Healthcare in India initiative, UK & India
 - Co-Chair of Committee on In-Kind Donations - Global Fund to Fight HIV/AIDS, TB & Malaria, Switzerland
 - Policy Advisor - developed new national child health policy - Ministry of Health and UNICEF, Namibia

TERTIARY EDUCATION AND DEGREES

2004-05	University of Oxford Saïd Business School	MBA Distinction	Saïd Prize for Best Overall MBA student Rhodes Scholar (South Africa-at-Large)
2000-01	London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, University of London	MSc DLSHTM	Masters in Epidemiology & Public Health Diploma London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
1993-98	University of Cape Town Faculty of Health Sciences	MB ChB 1 st Class Honours	UCT Gold Medal for Medicine (for most distinguished student with honours)

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

2004 -	College of Medicine, South Africa	FC Paed I	Part I Qualification, College of Paediatricians
2000 -	General Medical Council, UK	4579966	Registered Medical Practitioner (UK)
1999 -	Health Professions Council, SA	MP0546373	Registered Medical Practitioner (South Africa)

HIGHLIGHTED PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles & Book Chapters

Nilsson, W., Bonnici, F. Wosu Griffin-EL, E. (2014) The Social Innovation Lab: An Experiment in the Pedagogy of Institutional Work. In Bitzer et al. *The Business of Social and Environmental Innovation*. Springer

Hamann, R., Bonnici F., Nwosu, E. Holt, D. Sustainability Entrepreneurship. In Urban B. (Ed) *Entrepreneurship and Society*. (2014). Pearson South Africa.

Bonnici, F., & Schoening M. (2009). Building global momentum in social innovation for health. In Gardner C., & Jupp, S. (Eds.), *Global Forum Update on Research for Health Volume 6: Innovating for the health of all* (pp.54-59) Woodbridge: Pro-Brook Publishing

Auerswald, P., Quadir, I., & Bonnici, F. (Eds.). (2008) *Innovations: Social Innovation in a Post-Crisis World* (Special Edition). Cambridge MA: MIT Press

Bonnici, F.G.E., Nair N., & Puri Kamble, S. (2009) Tuberculosis Control in the Workplace. In Schaaf, H.S., & Zumla, A.I. (Eds.), *Tuberculosis: A Comprehensive Clinical Reference* (pp. 901-908). Philadelphia PA: Saunders/Elsevier.

Bonnici F, Keavney B, Collins R, Danesh J. Angiotensin-converting-enzyme insertion-deletion polymorphism and coronary restenosis: meta-analysis of 16 studies. *British Medical Journal*. 2002; 325:517-19

Teaching Cases and Materials

Schweer Rayner, C. and Bonnici, F. (2017) "Social Entrepreneurship and Systems Change: Child and Youth Finance International." Teaching Case. Bertha Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business; World Economic Forum, Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship.

Schweer Rayner, C., Thorogood, C., and Bonnici, F. (2017) "Social Entrepreneurship and Systems Change: Fundación Escuela Nueva." Teaching Case. Bertha Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business; World Economic Forum, Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship.

Thorogood, C., Schweer Rayner, C., and Bonnici, F. (2017) "Social Entrepreneurship and Systems Change: Landesa." Teaching Case. Bertha Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business; World Economic Forum, Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship.

Schweer Rayner, C., and Bonnici, F. (2017) "Social Entrepreneurship and Systems Change: Nidan." Teaching Case. Bertha Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business; World Economic Forum, Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship.

Schweer Rayner, C., and Bonnici, F. (2017) "Social Entrepreneurship and Systems Change: Sproxil." Teaching Case. Bertha Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business; World Economic Forum, Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship.

Schweer Rayner, C., Thorogood, C., and Bonnici, F. (2017) "Social Entrepreneurship and Systems Change: VillageReach." Teaching Case. Bertha Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business; World Economic Forum, Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship.

Grey Literature Reports

Albertyn L, Swart C., Bonnici F. (eds). (2015) Education Innovators Review, University of Cape Town

Van Niekerk, L., Bonnici F. (eds). (2014) Health Innovators Review, University of Cape Town

Bonnici F., Patton A. The Role of Universities in Creating Impact Investing Ecosystems: The case of the University of Cape Town. In *From Ideas to Practice, Pilots to Strategy II: Practical Solutions and Actionable Insights on How to Do Impact Investing* (pp 32-35). World Economic Forum

Bonnici, F. *Improving newborn care in district & regional hospitals through innovative provincial support*. UNICEF South Africa, 2011

Bonnici, F. *Social entrepreneurs as complementary actors in providing healthcare*. Global Redesign Initiative, World Economic Forum, 2010

HIGHLIGHTED PRESS ARTICLES, OP-EDs & SPEAKING ROLES

2017	<i>Fixing systems not symptoms</i> . Business Day 5 May 2017
2015	<i>New business model incorporates the poor</i> – Mail & Guardian 18 Dec 2015
2015	<i>Time for youth to assume role in continent's future</i> - OpEd Cape Argus 16 June 2015
2015	<i>Funding still the biggest challenge for nonprofits</i> – OpEd Business Day 15 March 2015
2014	Finding the healthcare solutions that are in plain sight – GSB Business Review #2 2014
2013	<i>Innovations in Social Investment</i> – Opening Keynote at main annual CSR conference in South Africa
2012	<i>Invest in Communityship</i> - OpEd Cape Argus 5 March 2012
2011	<i>The Art of Impact Investing</i> - profile in Leadership Magazine – July 2011 (social leadership issue)
2011	<i>Finding Marketable Solutions to Problems in our Society</i> – OpEd Business Day 14 October 2011
2010	World Economic Forum on Africa (Tanzania) – Plenary session: <i>Social Entrepreneurship in Africa</i>
2010	<i>Scaling social enterprises through enterprise development</i> – TSI Serious Social Investing Conference
2010	<i>Does a baby's heart count - innovations for public health</i> - TEDx Johannesburg

SELECTED WEBLINKS

Bertha Centre for Social Innovation & Entrepreneurship, UCT GSB - <http://www.gsb.uct.ac.za/berthacentre>

Faculty Profile UCT Graduate School of Business: <http://www.gsb.uct.ac.za/s.asp?p=409>

LinkedIn Profile- <https://www.linkedin.com/in/francoisbonnici>

Masters in Inclusive Innovation, UCT GSB - <http://www.gsb.uct.ac.za/inclusiveinnovation>

Profile at the World Economic Forum - <http://www.weforum.org/people/francois-bonnici>

Profile in Leadership Magazine - <http://mags.capemedia.co.za/leadership/317/>

Profile at Archbishop Tutu African Leadership Fellowship - <http://alinstitute.org/fellows/511/>

Video Senior Scholar Rhodes Scholarship - <http://www.rhodesscholarshiptrust.com/senior-scholar-video-wall>

direct video link - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fjjDAKyuwjI>