

## **ADVISIAN SSA appoints Steve Burks to Operational Excellence Advisory role**

Advisian, the independent advisory business line of WorleyParsons, has appointed Steve Burks as its principal of Operational Excellence for the Sub-Saharan Africa region.

Steve has over thirty years of experience in the environment of processing plants and mines, mostly gained working in the mining industry both in production and projects. He has recently marketed and worked on strategic optimisation, tactical business improvement, strategy development and operational readiness studies, interacting with executives but also with professionals and front line supervisors with direct responsibility for operational or project activities.

Recently an Associate Director of MAC Consulting, and prior to this, Managing Director of Whittle Consulting (Africa), Steve worked extensively in providing value chain optimisation services to the mining industry. His professional career further includes the role of CTO (Chief Technology Officer) of Bateman Engineering NV, the corporate holding company of the Bateman organisation, responsible for process technology acquisition, partnerships or internal developments aimed at improving and increasing the Bateman technology portfolio, and for the implementation of the technology commercialisation strategy of BENV. Before that he was Managing Director of Bateman's largest business unit, Metals, accountable for securing all new business and delivering all base metal and platinum projects in several countries.

Regional Executive Manager for SSA Advisian, Mr Adam Boughton says "Advisian offers Operational Improvement support to companies of all sizes involved in investigation or production of any mineral commodity. The end objective is to implement recommendations of Advisian's investigations and embed them into the culture of the operating company. This frequently increases profitability by simultaneously increasing revenue and reducing costs.

The appointment of Steve to this role confirms our commitment to this key growth area for Advisian in Sub-Saharan Africa and we are excited about the additional services we will be able to provide as a result."

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