#### **BUSINESS SUCCESS STORIES**

# **Knight Piésold** *Consulting Engineering Sector*

#### Year of Formation and Background to Founding:

This year marks a historic milestone for Knight Piésold, whose roots go back 100 years in South Africa. Knight Piésold began operations on April 1, 1921, when founder Dr FE Kanthack established a private practice as a consulting engineer, and to date, the firm remains a truly uniquely South African firm that is committed to service excellence with a footprint across the world and in different sectors. Knight Piésold remains one of the longest serving consulting firms in Africa, which provides a unique perspective of the evolving consulting engineering landscape. The company has a presence in Namibia, Zambia, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Botswana, Madagascar, Swaziland, Mauritius and South Africa. In Southern Africa, Knight Piésold is led by MD **Vishal Haripersad**.

#### Company Mission, Products & Services:

Knight Piésold provides specialist services to businesses operating in the mining, power, water resources, infrastructure, and oil and gas industries. With a global workforce,



diversified business lines and a continued focus on collaboration, Knight Piésold has created a solid foundation for delivering the best technical solutions for its clients. It enters its 100th year stronger, better, and more focused than ever.

Knight Piésold's multi-disciplinary specialists work together to provide the right solutions tailored specifically for any project.

#### Current Shareholders:

Knight Piésold is an employeeowned, global consulting firm.

#### Number of People Employed:

There is an 850-strong team operating from 27 offices across 15 countries.

## Greatest Corporate Achievement:

Knight Piésold is driven by its employee-centric culture. The company is an employee-owned global consulting firm with engineers, environmental scientists, geoscientists and technologists who focus on creating value at every stage of a project through quality driven, sustainable and cost-effective solutions. Knight Piésold is an organisation that places a high value on their people. Further, the company is committed to the development of opportunities to address the

backlog in education and training amongst the youth.

Moreover, through its BOKAMOSO programme, Knight Piésold has empowered and invested in numerous schools throughout South Africa in the fields of maths and science, in order to create a pipeline of future talent that can become productive members of society.

#### Hope for the Future:

Knight Piésold will continue to fulfil its obligation of being a responsible corporate citizen across Africa and it aims to do so by working collaboratively and harnessing professional excellence and innovation. This is set to deliver a multidisciplinary, fit-for-purpose approach for each project and to help clients realise their goals and achieve their objectives.

Knight Piésold believes there are tremendous opportunities for social development and economic growth in Africa, which will mainly be driven by the mining, power and infrastructure sectors. Understanding the market and growth opportunities across the African continent has steered Knight Pièsold to continue to entrench its footprint into new regions, invest in local expertise and maximise its resources in existing countries of operation.

### Going Further Together. Celebrating 100 Years of Engineering Excellence



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