

Samaila Zubairu

Samaila Zubairu is AFC's President and Chief Executive Officer. Prior to his appointment, Samaila was the CEO of Africapital Management Limited, in which capacity he established a joint venture with Old Mutual's African Infrastructure Investment Managers (AIIM) to develop the Nigerian Infrastructure Investment Fund 1 (NIIF1) for infrastructure private equity across West Africa.

As Chief Financial Officer for Dangote Cement Plc, he launched Africa's largest syndicated project finance facility for the Obajana Cement project, and managed the unbundling of Dangote Industries Limited to listed subsidiaries on the Nigerian Stock Exchange. Prior to that, he was the Treasurer for the Dangote Group during its transformation from a trading company to an industrial conglomerate. He has undertaken investments of over US\$3 billion, financing green-field project finance, acquisitions, corporate transformation, privatization and equity capital market transactions.

Samaila is an Eisenhower Fellow and sits on the Eisenhower Fellowship's Global Network Council and the President's Advisory Council. He holds several non-executive board positions including the Advisory board member for KSE Africa, a leading operations and management provider of captive power plants in the mining sectors in Botswana and Nigeria. Samaila is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Nigeria (FCA) and holds a BSc in Accounting from Ahmadu Bello University, Nigeria.