

Simon is the founder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Lilium, an Africa strategic investment company with targeted sectors of investment in Financial Services, Energy, Health-care, Agro-processing and FCMG. He has over 18 years' experience in Legal, Tax, Banking and Financial Services.

Until 2015, Mr. Tiemtore was the Group Head of Corporate Finance and Advisory Services at the African Export Import Bank (Afreximbank) and a member of the Executive Management Committee. He successfully led several African investment bank and debt capital markets transactions.

He has successfully led several investment banking and capital markets operations around the world and especially in Africa...

At the head of Lilium Capital, he acquires three subsidiaries of Fibank that he renames «Vista Bank Group» based in Guinea, Gambia and Sierra Leone.

In 2020, he bought the subsidiaries of BNP Paribas in Burkina Faso and Guinea.

In 2023, he signed an agreement to buy Oragroup S.A, Orabank's holding company based in Lomé and operating in twelve West and Central African countries.

In the same vein, it enters into an agreement with Société Générale for the acquisition of its subsidiaries in Congo Brazzaville. It also finances the construction of the future government city of Brazzaville.

Prior to that role, Mr. Tiemtore worked at Morgan Stanley in New York where he successfully led several M&A, asset management and divestiture in the US, Europe and Asia. Prior to that role, he worked at PwC, New York and Skadden Arps, New York.

2021 Winner of The Rebranding Africa Forum "Business Leadership Award ", Mr. Tiemtore is currently involved in several initiatives in Africa. He is a member of the Board of the US Chamber of Commerce- Africa where he co-chairs the Banking and Financial Institutions Task Force and member of the Board of US Chamber of Commerce-Ecowas Initiative.

He is a member of the New York Bar Association, member of the American Bar Association-Section of International Law, Business and Practice, member of the NYU School of Laws Weinfeld Fellows. He is also a board member of the TEN Children Foundation, which is supporting orphanages across Africa.

Mr. Tiemtore hold an LLM in Laws from New-York University School of Laws and LLM in International studies from the American University – Washington College of Law in Washington, DC and LLB in Laws from the University of Ouagadougou School of Laws.