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Cape Town, South Africa, October 22nd, 2009 - **Bruce Wrobel, CEO** was named **International Business Leader of the Year** by Africa Investor.

Ms Elizabeth Dipuo Peters, Minister of Energy, South Africa said: "In their fifth year now, the Africa investor Investment & Business Leaders Awards are the most respected international awards to recognise exceptional business practices, economic achievements and investments across Africa. At a time when the global economy continues to face formidable challenges amid vigorous market changes, the Africa investor Investment & Business Leaders Awards honour the leaders and institutions who have provided dynamic leadership and a profitable long-term vision for the companies they lead and the communities within which they operate. The Awards positively shed light on Africa's many untold investment success stories and recognise those business leaders that have shown commitment to responsibly grow shareholder value, whilst at the same time make a difference through leadership and innovation in their industry."

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About the Africa investor Investment & Business Leaders Awards

Africa investor hosts the Africa investor Investment and Business Awards to reward exceptional business practices, economic achievements and investments across the investment spectrum in Africa. At a time when the global economy continues to face formidable challenges amid vigorous market changes, the Africa investor Investment and Business Leaders Awards honours the people who have provided dynamic leadership and a profitable long-term vision for the companies they lead. The Awards are designed to shed light on Africa's many investment success stories and recognises those Business Leaders that have the knowledge and strength to grow their investment portfolios and who are making a difference through leadership and innovation in their industry sectors.