

### **Brief Profile of Dr Canisius Kanangire**

Dr Canisius Kanangire is the Executive Secretary of the African Ministers' Council on Water (AMCOW) since September 2016 where he plays a leadership role in providing political leadership, policy directions and high level advocacy to the Africa's water and sanitation sector. He is the Chief Executive of AMCOW Secretariat, a sub-committee of the African Union Specialized Technical Committee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Water and Environment.

Prior to the current appointment, Dr Kanangire served the East African Community as the Executive Secretary of the Lake Victoria Basin Commission (LVBC, 2011-2016); an Inter-Governmental Institution mandated to promote sustainable development and poverty eradication in the Lake Victoria Basin; the Nile Basin Initiative (NBI) as the Head of Strategic Planning and Management/Deputy Executive Director (2009-2011) and the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) as the Regional Project Manager for the Nile Basin Applied Training Project (2004-2009). He also served as the Scientific Chairman of the Nile Basin Research Program, a post-doctoral research program for Nile Basin scholars managed by the University of Bergen, Norway (2006-2010).

Dr Kanangire has over 20 years' experience in Academia (1986-2006), ranging from teaching, research, Undergraduate and MSc theses supervision, PhD theses evaluation, managing research Commission, serving as Dean of Faculty, etc, He served in universities in DR. Congo and Rwanda as a full time lecturer, and in in Belgium and Egypt as a visiting lecturer and a theses evaluation panel member respectively.

Dr Kanangire published books, chapters in books, and many papers in peer-reviewed journals. He holds an MSc degree and a PhD in Aquatic Sciences from the University of Namur, "Facultes Universitaires Notre-Dame de la Paix (FUNDP), Belgium.