



In order to share your views and experience with other CPACE stakeholders, please reply to the questions below.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

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The ECPC CEO

- Why the choice for CPACE?

The choice for CPACE was made by Zimswitch, the national switch for Zimbabwe, based on the evolution of card technology and the need for an upgraded card standard. Initially, Zimswitch utilized magstripe cards for the local domestic scheme, then transitioned to CPA for chip and pin functionality. However, with advancements in technology, there arose a need to upgrade from contact-only cards to cards capable of both contact and contactless transactions, along with additional functionalities brought about by the contactless technologies. Zimswitch scouted the market for solutions including the EMV co and discovered that there was no contactless functionality available from EMV Co. Zimswitch was delighted to discover that ECPC had done so, prompting them to adopt the CPACE standard especially considering that the specification was available for free as other solution providers were requiring some fees.

- In which markets have you deployed CPACE compatible cards and/or terminals?

Compatible cards and terminals have been deployed in the whole country of Zimbabwe and being used accross all the sector.

- What would be the next steps in the CPACE ecosystem that you would value?

Zimswitch is interested in fully adopting the full capability of the CPACE product, especcally the additional features such as : Implementing wareables, Mobile APK for the card to enable card tokenization, enabling card for loyalty programs or transportation passes thus enhancing its versatility and utility for cardholders.

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