

🌟 MUST Alumni of the Month – November, 2025

Honouring Prof. Joseph Msambichaka

Founding Vice Chancellor | President of Convocation | Distinguished Alumnus



This October, Mbeya University of Science and Technology (MUST) proudly features **Prof. Eng. Joseph J. Msambichaka** a trailblazer, transformative leader, and lifelong contributor to the university's growth and development.

Prof. Msambichaka, a *Registered Consulting Engineer* with the Engineers Registration Board of Tanzania (C.Eng.174) and a *Member of the Institution of Engineers Tanzania* (M745), holds a **Doctorate in Civil Engineering (Structural)** from the University of Dortmund, Germany. With over **41 years of professional experience**, he has served in **engineering practice, academia, research, consultancy, and institutional leadership** spanning the *Ministry of Works*, the *University of Dar es Salaam*, the *Mbeya Institute of Science and Technology (MIST)*, and later *Mbeya University of Science and Technology (MUST)*.

He holds a unique and historic place in MUST's legacy, having served as **Vice Chancellor from 2013 to 2019**, leading the **landmark transformation of MIST into MUST**—a milestone that ushered in a new era of academic excellence and innovation.

Under his visionary leadership, the university expanded its academic programs, research capacity, infrastructure, and strategic partnerships, positioning

MUST as a hub for sustainable national development through science and technology.

Beyond his tenure as Vice Chancellor, *Prof. Msambichaka continues* to serve the university with distinction as the **President of the MUST Convocation**, where he **champions alumni engagement, mentorship, and professional networking**. A dedicated member of the e-MUST Alumni Portal and a consistent contributor to the annual Convocation fee, he sets a strong example of leadership and commitment.

Currently, Prof. Msambichaka serves as the *Chairman, Board of Directors, Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission, Arusha, Tanzania (2021–present) a Presidential appointment*

Throughout his distinguished career, Prof. Msambichaka has authored **over 64 papers and reports**, completed **more than 38 major projects**, and served on numerous national and international boards, councils, and task teams in higher, science, and technological education. Fluent in **Kiswahili, English, and German**, and conversant in **French**, *his lifelong dedication continues to inspire present and future generations of MUST graduates.*



A Call from Prof. Joseph Msambichaka to All MUST Graduates

Dear esteemed graduates of **Mbeya University of Science and Technology (MUST)**, I warmly invite you to **register in the e-MUST Alumni Portal** and **contribute the annual Convocation fee** as a show of commitment to our shared legacy. By doing so, you become an active part of a growing alumni network that supports mentorship, student engagement, professional collaboration, and the long-term development of MUST.

On behalf of the entire MUST community, we extend our heartfelt appreciation to Prof. Joseph Msambichaka for his exceptional service, transformative leadership, and enduring commitment to the advancement of Mbeya University of Science and Technology. Your legacy is forever etched in the story of MUST.