

Horizon Congo Joins FasterCapital EquityPilot to Accelerate Sustainable Investment in the DRC

Collaboration supports infrastructure, mining and energy projects through global investor access, mentorship and commercialization support.



Kinshasa, Democratic Republic Of The Congo Feb 1, 2026 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.IssueWire.com)) - Horizon Congo and FasterCapital today announced a strategic partnership through the EquityPilot program to accelerate investments and commercial development across the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). The collaboration pairs Horizon Congo's project pipeline with FasterCapital's global investor network, mentorship and go-to-market resources to unlock infrastructure, mining, hydrocarbons and real estate opportunities in the DRC and regional markets.

Market opportunity & problem statement

The DRC sits at the intersection of rising global demand for critical minerals, energy and African urbanization but faces chronic infrastructure gaps, limited capital access and fragmented project execution. Investors seek scalable, de-risked opportunities that combine strong governance, environmental responsibility and local partnerships. Horizon Congo targets these pain points by assembling investable project cohorts that align resource potential with international standards addressing a white space for ethically managed, large-scale development in Central Africa.

Startup solution & differentiation

Horizon Congo is a project development initiative focused on financing and delivering transformative transportation, mining, hydrocarbons and mixed-use real estate projects across the DRC. Its model blends public-private partnerships, joint ventures with local stakeholders, and technology-enabled operations (including precision mining and digital transport systems) to reduce execution risk and

environmental impact. Horizon Congo emphasizes sustainable practices, local workforce development and transparent governance. Early-stage project agreements and stakeholder memoranda demonstrate traction and validate the model with government and community partners.

FasterCapital partnership value

Through FasterCapital's EquityPilot program, Horizon Congo will gain access to targeted seed and growth-stage capital introductions, structured mentorship, financial modeling support and investor-ready commercialization roadmaps. FasterCapital's selective vetting and global syndicate signal credibility to institutional investors and development finance institutions. The partnership sets a 12–18 month acceleration timeline for priority corridor projects, with milestones for permitting, JV formation and initial capital close. FasterCapital (www.fastercapital.com) will also provide strategic fundraising and operational governance support.

Executive quotes

"[Horizon Congo] presents the combination of technical project design and local partnership that institutional investors require," said Hesham Zreik. "FasterCapital's EquityPilot can meaningfully de-risk these assets and accelerate capital deployment while upholding sustainability and shared economic benefit."

"Laying the groundwork for responsible development across the DRC is our mission," said Louison Uchama, Founder & CEO, Horizon Congo. "This partnership with FasterCapital validates our approach and fast-tracks our ability to convert resource potential into inclusive economic growth."

Growth trajectory & future plans

Near-term priorities include advancing two flagship transport corridors, securing three mining JV term sheets, and piloting renewable energy integrations for project sites. Horizon Congo will pursue phased capital raises tied to project milestones and aims to expand its advisory and on-the-ground delivery teams across key provinces. Long-term, the initiative seeks to catalyze a diversified DRC economy and attract regional trade flows.

About Horizon Congo

Horizon Congo is a project development initiative dedicated to unlocking sustainable economic growth in the Democratic Republic of Congo through infrastructure, mining, hydrocarbons and real estate projects. Founded to combine local partnerships with international standards, Horizon Congo advances ethically managed, investable opportunities for long-term impact.

About FasterCapital

FasterCapital is a global venture builder and online incubator dedicated to co-funding and co-founding innovative startups. Established in 2014, we are now #1 venture builder in terms of number of startups that we have helped, money invested and money raised. It supports startups worldwide through various programs, including funding assistance, business development, and technical support. The EquityPilot program is designed to help early-stage startups build scalable solutions with mentorship, strategic guidance, and network support.

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