



David Murrin – CEO and Chairman of Emergent Asset Management Ltd

David has a 2:1 Honours degree in Geophysics from Exeter University.

He started his career in the oil exploration business in the jungles of Papua New Guinea where he worked for almost three years as a seismologist.

Since then he has spent the past 25 years in the world of financial markets. In 1986, he joined JP Morgan and was trained in New York on their internal MBA equivalent finance program. Once back in the London, he traded the FX, bonds, equities and commodities on JPM's first European Prop desk. In 1991, he founded and managed JPM's highly successful European Market Analysis Group, developing new behavioural investment techniques which were utilised at the highest level of the bank.

In 1993 David founded Apollo Asset Management, and in 1997 David co-founded Emergent Asset Management as CIO until 2011. His primary role was overseeing trading across all its fund products, as well as being particularly active in the firm's private equity business. In addition through Emergent's Advisory Business which focuses on key investment themes, David was responsible for critical fund raising for Heritage Oil which allowed it to expand significantly by investing in its Uganda exploration program. He took full control of Emergent in 2011, combining his management of the GeoMacro fund with the role of Chief Executive Officer (www.emergentasset.com). Emergent Capital Partners was set up in 2012 as a Financial Advisory Company to provide advisory and fund raising capabilities for innovative projects and companies.

He co-founded EmVest in 2006, resulting in the launch of Emergent's African land fund in 2008 and acted as its Chairman until its sale from the group in late 2011. The Fund managed investments on behalf of large institutional investors and was one of the first movers into the space that combined the compelling themes of agriculture in Africa, socially responsible investing and economic sustainability. The investment operated across the SADAQ region

In early 2011, after five years of extensive research David combined his fascination with military history, geopolitics and finance into a unified geopolitical model and published "Breaking the Code of History". This book highlights the key factors in today's changing world, as power shifts from the West to the East. David speaks widely on the topics in his book, appearing regularly as a keynote speaker on television and to company boards (www.davidmurrin.co.uk and www.breakingthecodeofhistory.com)

In January 2012, together with two partners, both experienced former Special Boat Service officers, David set up Spartent Global Solutions Ltd, an independent security consultancy company providing a comprehensive range of security services including maritime security, security training, private client services, security consultancy, project security management and security risk assessment (www.spartentgs.com)

David is a keen racing and classic yachtsman, co-founding the British Classic Yacht Club in 2002 which has grown over the past decade into a substantial organisation. He is currently the Commodore of the Club. (www.zuluyachting.com).