Conrad Thorpe OBE - Salama Fikira

Conrad was born and brought up in Kenya, East Africa where he became fluent in the lingua franca of the region. He was Captain of the national swimming team and a Commonwealth athlete. Later, he joined the Royal Marines and then the United Kingdom's SBS and his final operational appointments included leading the operational anti-terrorism response to 9/11 and planning and executing maritime counter-narcotics operations in the Atlantic Ocean.

After commanding the UK's amphibious Commando Training School, he returned to Africa where he founded Salama Fikira, winning the first maritime protection contract in 2006 off the coast of Somalia providing strategic planning and protection to an offshore drilling project with multi assets. Salama Fikira has since expanded and now operates internationally with maritime, offshore and land security operations spanning sub-Saharan Africa, The Atlantic Ocean, The Mediterranean sea, the greater Indian Ocean, SE Asia and the Gulf of Guinea. Conrad is the CEO of the Salama Fikira Group of companies and lives in tropical Africa with his immediate family as well as his snakes and many other animals.