Mouhamed Kebe advises on corporate and investment transactions in sub-Saharan Africa.

With extensive experience supporting clients in emerging markets in the Francophone region, Mouhamed advises on major projects in the infrastructure, energy and natural resources sectors. He has acted on a number of landmark development transactions in the region. Mouhamed oversees commercial transactions, including joint ventures, corporate restructuring and project finance.

Mouhamed's practice also includes international and investment arbitration. He is a chartered arbitrator with the OHADA Court of Arbitration, a member of the Arbitration Court of the ICC and a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

**Experience**

Experience has included advising:

- The SNE-1 joint venture (Cairn Energy / Woodside Petroleum / FAR) on the largest global offshore oil discovery in Senegal
- Commerzbank AG on the financing of the Burkina Faso Government for the construction of health infrastructure and supply of equipment in Burkina Faso
- The Government of Mauritania on the drafting of its new Commercial Code
- Millicom on the sale of its subsidiary in Senegal and on a litigation claim brought during the sale process
- China Export-Import Bank on the financing for the Senegalese government’s Mbour-Thies Expressway project
- Plan International, on a class action before the Court of Appeal of Conakry, Guinea
- China Export-Import Bank on the financing for the government of Chad for the modernization of the public sector of information and telecommunication
- A ride-sharing online platform on establishing a legal entity in Côte d'Ivoire
- KEC in a case before the Sanctions Commission of the African Development Bank
- The State of Senegal in a state-investor arbitration procedure before ICSID
- Co-Arbitrator in an ICC arbitration claim related to a hotel construction project in Togo

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Credentials

Professional Qualifications

- Avocat à la cour admitted to the Senegalese Bar (1993)
- Avocat à la cour admitted to Ivory Coast Bar (2018)
- Law Society of England and Wales (International Division)

Education

- University of Essex, LL.M. (2009)
- University of Cheikh Anta Diop, LL.M. (1997)
- University of Cheikh Anta Diop, LL.B. (1992)

Recognition

- Ranked in Band 1 in Chambers & Partners Global since 2008
- Listed in Who’s Who Legal – Mining since 2015
- Named as one of Francophone Africa’s Top 50 lawyers in Jeune Afrique since 2017
- Ranked as a Leading Lawyer in IFLR1000 since 2014

Memberships

- Arbitration Court of the ICC
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London Branch
- African Arbitration Association
- International Bar Association

Insights

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Senegal, like many African countries, recently adopted on February 22, 2021 a new Act on Public-Private Partnership contracts (the Act).

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