

Clarice Wambua

Consultant



Clarice Wambua is a Consultant in our Environmental Law, and Pro Bono & Human Rights practice areas.

About Clarice

Clarice began her legal career at a law firm in Kenya and in 2010 she joined Carbon Africa as a Legal and Trading Officer. In 2014, Clarice was a Principal Consultant at Stawiri, and later joined Kieti as a Partner in 2017.

Credentials

Education

- Master of Laws (LLM) (with distinction) Climate Change Law and Policy, University of Strathclyde, UK
- Master of Science (MSc) (with distinction) Africa and International Development, University of Edinburgh, UK
- Certificate in Sustainable Energy Finance, Frankfurt School of Finance and Management/UNEP Collaborating Centre
- Postgraduate Diploma in Law, Kenya School of Law & Kenyan Bar Admission
- LL.B, Bachelor of Laws (2nd Class Honours, Upper), University of Nairobi, Kenya

Membership

- Law Society of Kenya
- Council of Women in Energy and Environmental Leadership (CWEEL) -Kenya
- Association of Women in Energy and Extractives- Kenya (AWEIK)

Experience

• Kenya's Draft Energy

Supporting the development and drafting of Kenya's Draft Energy (Mini-Grid) Regulations, 2021 on behalf of the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA).

• Solar regulatory compliance

Advising on captive solar regulatory compliance in relation to the acquisition of operational (small scale embedded) solar PV plants in Kenya.

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Expertise

Environmental Law

Pro Bono & Human Rights

Industrials, Manufacturing & Trade

Mining & Minerals

Projects & Energy

Location

Nairobi

Language

English

Swahili



- **Green Finance**

Carrying out a Legal and Policy review for a Green Finance: Market Readiness and Stakeholder Research in Mozambique Study for FSD Mozambique.

- **EAC Carbon Credit Exchange Mechanism**

Carrying out a feasibility study on the establishment of the East Africa Community (EAC) Carbon Credit Exchange Mechanism

- **Regulatory due diligence of Kenya's waste sector**

Carrying out a regulatory due diligence of Kenya's waste sector for private sector engagement and a review of cross-border investing under the UNDP-funded Waste Sector Technical, Legal and Financial Readiness for Private Sector Engagement Project (Kenya).

- **Kenya Association of Manufacturers**

Advising the Kenya Association of Manufacturers on best practices for extended producer responsibility schemes and the creation of an enabling legal and regulatory environment to manage post-consumer plastic packaging waste in Kenya.

- **Real estate management company**

Advising a real estate management company on the collection of water payments in a mixed used development involving the provision of both privately supplied and publicly supplied water.

- **Ecosystem Services Scheme**

Advising an international climate change advisory and investment firm on the Kenyan law context for the design and implementation of a pilot water Payment for Ecosystem Services Scheme (PES).

- **Forest management and conservation**

Advising an international climate change advisory and investment firm on REDD+ in Kenya, the policy and legal framework for forest management and conservation and providing input on the government-initiated review process of the National Forest Policy, 2014 and the Forest Conservation and Management Act, 2016.

- **Carbon rights ownership**

Advising a commercial farm forestry organization on the legal context for carbon rights ownership and transfer in Kenya.

- **Financial sector policies**

Carrying out a gendered review of financial sector policies and laws in Kenya for FSD Kenya.

- **Kenya Human Rights Commission study**

Providing legal and institutional analysis expertise on a Kenya Human Rights Commission study on the human rights consciousness of Environmental and Social Impact Assessments (ESIAs) conducted in Kenya.

News

ESG and corporate compliance: Adapting to disclosure and sustainability requirements

Environmental, social and governance (ESG) refers to a set of criteria used to evaluate a company's performance beyond financial metrics, focusing on its impact on the environment, its relationships with stakeholders, and the effectiveness of its governance structures. ESG considerations have become central to corporate decision-making, influencing policy frameworks, investment strategies and business operations globally.

The profound reach and impact of our Pro Bono & Human Rights practice in 2024

At CDH we are committed to promoting human rights, enabling access to justice and driving meaningful change. This is why we set up a dedicated Pro Bono & Human Rights Practice (Pro Bono Practice), which provides thousands of hours of pro bono assistance to numerous deserving individuals and organisations each year. In 2024 alone, our firm dedicated over 10,000 hours to providing more than R37 million in pro bono legal services to individuals, organisations, and causes.

[In pursuit of a circular economy: Kenya enacts Extended Producer Responsibility regulations](#)

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) is increasingly being adopted by countries to address waste management challenges. EPR holds producers accountable for their product's life cycle and is based on the polluter pays and zero waste principles of environmental law.

[Key highlights of Kenya's Public Participation Bill, 2024](#)

The Constitution of Kenya, 2010 revolutionised governance by embedding public participation as a fundamental pillar of democracy. This inclusive approach ensures that the voices, needs and aspirations of Kenyans are central to decision-making, from policy formulation to legislative development. Yet, for years, there has been no clear guidance for how public participation should be conducted.

[Kenya unveils Carbon Market Regulations](#)

The gazettment of the Climate Change (Carbon Markets) Regulations, 2024 (Regulations) on 17 May 2024, has set the stage for the regulatory oversight of carbon project development and management in Kenya. The Regulations have been enacted following a legal reform process that began with the amendment of the Climate Change Act, 2016 (Act) in 2023 to explicitly address carbon market concerns, and signal Kenya's readiness to intensify efforts to take on opportunities presented by the global carbon markets. The Regulations introduce the key provisions outlined below.

Videos

[Video | The significant impact of our Pro Bono & Human Rights practice](#)

As we commemorate Human Rights Day on Thursday, 21 March, one of the ways CDH demonstrates our commitment to the transformation of our society is through our dedicated Pro Bono & Human Rights Practice. We provide pro bono representation of the highest standard to deserving individuals, communities, NGOs and other organisations that promote human rights or the public interest.

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Recognition

- Clarice is recognised as a Green Ambassador within the Green Guide EMEA 2024 Edition.
- The Legal 500 Green Guide EMEA 2022 recognised Clarice for climate change and sustainability law in Kenya.
- 2019 Business Daily, Top 40 under 40