

Magano Erkana

Director



Magano Erkana is a Director in the Banking, Finance & Projects practice, based in the Windhoek office. She has extensive experience in corporate law, corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions, and project finance, with a strong track record advising local and international clients on complex financial transactions, regulatory compliance, and strategic structuring across multiple sectors. Magano has advised on numerous high-value financing and infrastructure transactions, public-private partnerships, and regulatory mandates, representing lenders, borrowers, and development finance institutions in multi-million-dollar projects, listings, and cross-border matters. She is recognised for her strategic insight, technical expertise, and ability to deliver pragmatic, commercially focused legal solutions within Namibia's evolving business and regulatory landscape.

About Magano

Magano completed her articles in Pretoria (at the law firm, Ledwaba Mazwai Attorneys) and was admitted as an Attorney in April 2004. She relocated to Namibia in 2005 and worked as in-house Legal Counsel at Standard Bank Namibia Ltd from May 2005 to June 2016. During her tenure at Standard Bank, Magano was involved in providing legal support to all areas of Standard Bank, including Credit, Forensics, Human Resources, Information Technology, Procurement, as well as lending to the Personal, Business, and Corporate market segments. On 01 July 2016, she was admitted as a Legal Practitioner in Namibia and commenced as a Director at the law firm, Dr. Weder, Kauta & Hoveka Inc., heading the Commercial Department.

Magano was appointed as a Director of Kauta, Barendse and Kishi Inc t/a CDH Namibia, effective 1 September 2025.

Credentials

Education

- LLB, Rhodes University
- Admitted to the High Court, South Africa (Gauteng Provincial Division): April 2004
- Admitted to the High Court, Namibia: 2016

Experience

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Expertise

[Banking, Finance & Projects](#)

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[Private Equity](#)

[Projects & Energy](#)

Location

Windhoek

Language

English



- Acted as lender's legal counsel on the financing by Absa Bank Ltd to Jedidja Investments (Pty) Ltd for a residential property development.
- Provided Compliance Regulatory Training to the employees of B2Gold Namibia.
- Acted as lender's legal counsel on the financing by Absa Bank Ltd to Oryx Properties Ltd for the development of the extension to Maerua Mall.
- Conducted legal due diligence on behalf of Standard Bank Namibia for its acquisition of a majority stake in Mobicash Payment Solutions (Pty) Ltd, drafted the acquisition agreements and assisted with obtaining the merger approval from the Namibia Competition Commission.
- Drafted standardized Public Private Partnership Development Agreements on behalf of City of Windhoek to be used for its various developments within Windhoek.
- Drafted the Investment Plan, Management Agreement and Subscription Agreement for the application by African Rock Sandstone Fund and African Rock Capital to the Namibian Financial Institutions Supervisory Authority as unlisted fund and unlisted investment manager, respectively, in compliance with the Regulations issued under the Pension Funds Act.
- Provided training to the executives and other employees of the Development Bank of Namibia on the following topics: Essentials of Contracts; Common Law Principles; Regulatory framework for the Development Bank of Namibia; Project Finance; Loan Market Association based agreements; and overview of Public Private Partnerships under the Public Private Partnership Act.
- Was part of the legal team in providing legal support to Ongos Valley in the structuring of the Ongos Valley Development which key deliverables included: drafting the financing agreements for the financing by the Development Bank of Namibia in respect of the bulk servicing of the land; the registration of the Sale on Instalments Asset Backed Domestic Medium Term Note Programme on the Namibian Stock Exchange; and the establishment of the Cadence Building Society.
- Was the legal counsel on the transaction team (led by Monasa Advisory & Associates) that was appointed by Namibia Grape Company to provide consultancy services, which included conducted a legal analysis on its existing contractual arrangement with Capespan (Pty) Ltd, advising on the proposed commercial options; drafting a new joint venture agreement, and reviewing the marketing agreement.
- Acted as lender's legal counsel on the financing by RMB Namibia to Bokomo Namibia (Pty) Ltd for the refinancing of existing debt and financing of capital expenditure.
- Acted as lender's legal counsel on the financing by RMB Namibia to Alpha Namibia Industries Renewable Power Limited (the second listed Capital Pool Company on the Namibian Stock Exchange) for the purpose of funding special purpose companies incorporated to develop and operate solar photovoltaic projects in Namibia.
- Acted as borrower's legal counsel on the financing by Standard Bank Namibia for the Namibia Financial Institutions Supervisory Authority's new head office.
- Was part of the legal team (led by myself) that was appointed as lender's legal counsel on the financing by Standard Bank Namibia and The Standard Bank of South Africa in their debt refinancing (on a project finance basis) of existing debt in Omburu Sun Energy (Pty) Ltd, being the project company operating a 4.5MW power plant.
- Acted as lender's legal counsel on the financing by RMB Namibia to Walvis Bay Grain Storage (Pty) Ltd for the purchase of immovable property and development of additional grain silos on the property.

News



[Namibia's National Digital Strategy offers a blueprint for digital transformation](#)

Exciting times are under way in Namibia with the new Namibia National Digital Strategy 2025–2029 (NDS), dubbed "The Framework for Digital Transformation". This represents a bold, comprehensive roadmap to harness digital technologies for economic growth, social inclusion and societal advancement. Unveiled by the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology, the strategy aligns other state policies, addressing longstanding challenges like inadequate infrastructure, digital skills gaps and cybersecurity vulnerabilities.

[Namibia's nuclear power ambitions offer a path to energy independence in a volatile geopolitical landscape](#)

Namibia, the world's third-largest uranium producer, contributes approximately 10% of global uranium output, which is no small feat for a 'small' nation. Namibia is currently able to produce about 60% of its energy demand locally while importing the shortfall from neighbouring nations. This dependency, coupled with rising energy demands, underscores the need for energy diversification. With hydropower, solar, and wind dominating its current energy mix, nuclear power offers a promising solution to achieve energy security, reduce carbon emissions, and support economic growth aligned with Namibia's Vision 2030.

[Namibia's green hydrogen legislative framework: The proposed synthetic fuels act](#)

The overarching purpose is to foster an enabling environment, mitigate operational uncertainty for developers, and establish stringent quality benchmarks to meet the demands of global export markets.

[CDH Namibia strengthens leadership and capacity to deliver exceptional client service](#)

CDH is pleased to announce that Patrick Kauta, one of Namibia's most respected legal professionals, has joined our firm as Managing Partner of the Namibian office, effective 1 September 2025.

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