



OIL & GAS

"They are a technically strong and knowledgeable team who can be trusted in their ability to provide sound legal advice and support in complex legal processes."

THE LEGAL 500 EMEA 2025

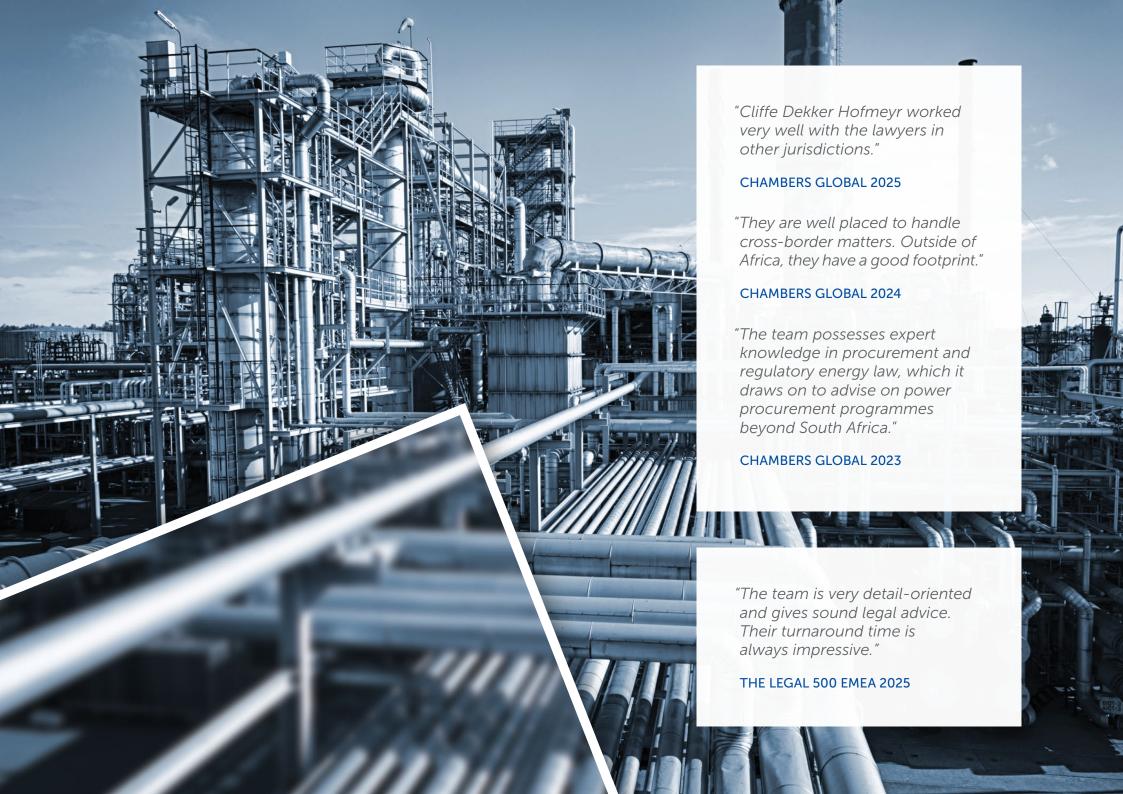
### LEADING ADVISER AND PARTNER

Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr's (CDH's) Oil & Gas team is the legal partner of choice on your oil and gas projects across the value chain.

We have unique and substantial legal expertise in the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors and advise major independent oil companies, national oil companies, service providers and regulatory authorities in multiple jurisdictions. Our team has a thorough understanding of the geographic and geopolitical factors that shape and impact the oil and gas industry and offers valuable commercial insight to clients embarking on oil and gas projects, in both developed and

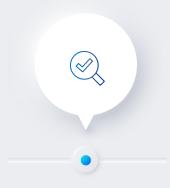
emerging markets, worldwide. Our breadth of experience, acting for clients in both the public and private sectors, means we have a comprehensive approach to structuring transactions to address the complex economic and political goals of participants in this sector.

Our lawyers combine intricate knowledge of the oil and gas sector with your unique business realities to achieve your desired results. By choosing our Oil & Gas team as trusted advisers, clients gain access to practical transactional and project advice, advanced contract engineering and seasoned contract negotiators.



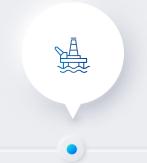
# Our services

CDH's service offering is fully integrated so that clients benefit from our ability to provide an entire suite of legal services at each and every stage of an oil and gas project. Our Oil & Gas team offer highly specialised, sector-specific transactional, project and regulatory legal advice which is complemented by the ability to draw on our firm's full range of specialities.



# Due Diligence Investigations and Reports

- Title and regulatory compliance due diligences on oil and gas assets
- Entry level requirements for a foreign IOCs or NOCs
- Multi-jurisdictional corporate acquisitions relevant to the acquisition of upstream, midstream and downstream interests
- In preparation for drilling, IPOs, or in anticipation of farm-out/s
- On Extractive Industries
   Transparency Initiative obligations, compliance requirements
   and reports



# **Upstream Services**

- Upstream M&A Transactional Agreements (FOAs, Asset Sale and Purchase Agreement and Participating Agreements)
- Joint Operating Agreements
- Drilling and Drilling Support Services Agreements
- Field Development Agreements
- Front-End Engineering Design Agreements
- FPS Design, Build, Charter and Operate Agreement
- EPC, EPCI and EPCM Agreements (pipelines and subsea facilities)
- Gas Sales Agreements and Gas Balancing Agreements
- Crude Offtake Agreements and Lifting Agreements
- Seismic Acquisition and Well Services Service Agreements

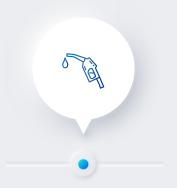
- Multi-client Agreements
- Applications for hydrocarbon permits, rights, licences and concessions, renewals and transfers
- Host government instruments -Rights, Permits, Licenses, PSA's and hybrids, Risk Services, Pure Services, Technical Assistance Agreements and/or Buy-back Services Agreements
- Area of mutual interest
   Agreements, Study and bid group
   Agreements
- Third party operator Agreements, Upstream Service Agreements, Technical Services Agreements, and Global framework Agreements
- Unitisation and Unit Operating Agreements



#### **Midstream Services**

- EPC, EPCI and EPCM Agreements (pipelines and subsea facilities)
- Gas Storage and Regasification Agreements
- LNG Master Sales Agreement
- Gas Transportation Agreements
- Crude oil supply and swap agreements
- BOO, BOT and BOOT Agreements (construction and operation of oil refineries)
- LNG Transportation Agreements
- Financing agreements and shareholders agreements
- Licensing Applications: Pipelines, Storage, Operation and Regasification

# Our services...continued



### **Downstream Services**

- Sale of Business and Sale of Shares Agreements
- Third party access and user Agreements (pipeline and/ storage)
- Supply, marketing and offtake Agreements
- Operating and Retail Agreements
- Bunkering Agreements
- Distribution and Licensing Agreements
- Acquisitions and disposal of oil and gas facilities and interests
- Applications for wholesale, retail and site licences and reporting obligations



# Oil and Gas Advisory

- Project Structuring and Strategies
- Opcomm and Operator Processes
- Drilling Op HSSE Registers
- Local participation
- LNG project advisory services, regulatory processes and Agreements
- Regulatory Compliance and Reporting Opinions upstream, midstream and downstream
- Structuring/re-structuring of government entities and regulatory authorities in the oil and gas sector
- Tax advisory opinions on rollover treatment, royalties, funding obligations (cash calls), transfer duty implications, double taxation jurisdictions
- Development funding, government support packages and mezzanine financing

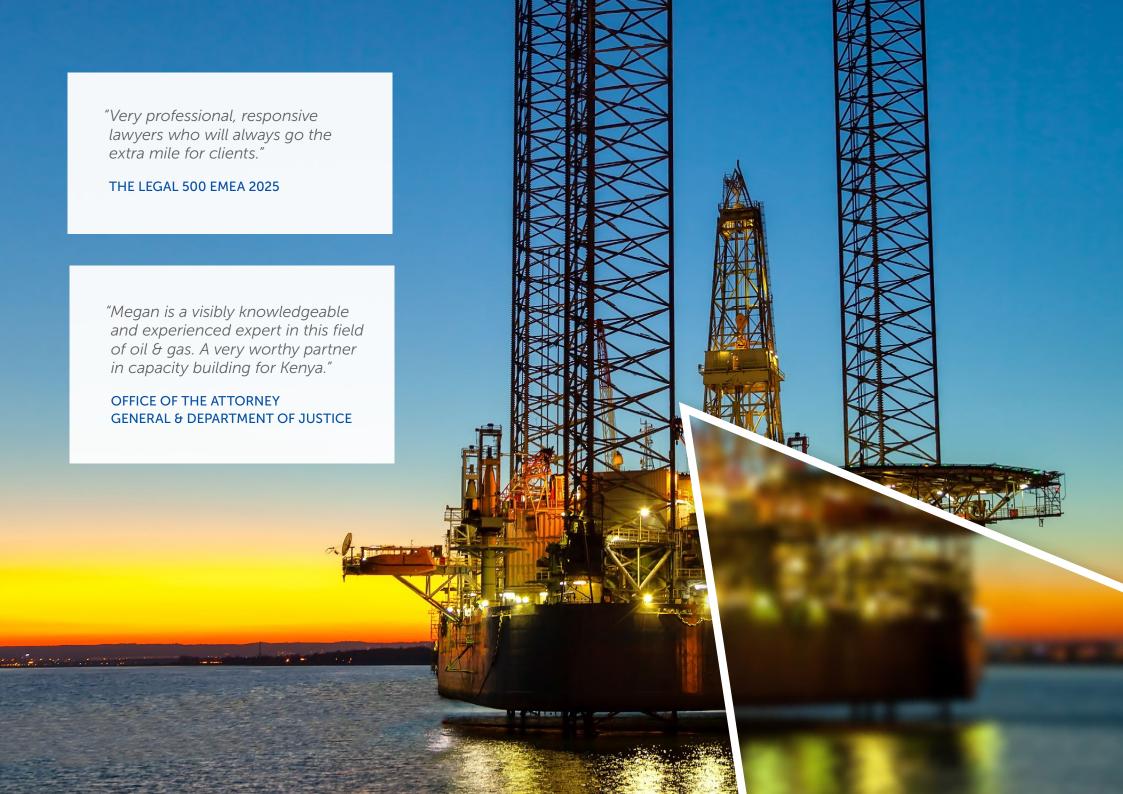




# Knowledge Management, Training and Skills Transfer

- Knowledge management is an important aspect of our approach at CDH. We invest substantially in our information management and know-how resources and make these available to our clients
- To assist clients navigating the complexities of the oil and gas industry we host a variety of value adding, high-level complimentary training seminars and workshops for clients on topical issues in the industry across all our practice areas
- We also offer training seminars and workshops tailored to our client's projects and needs.

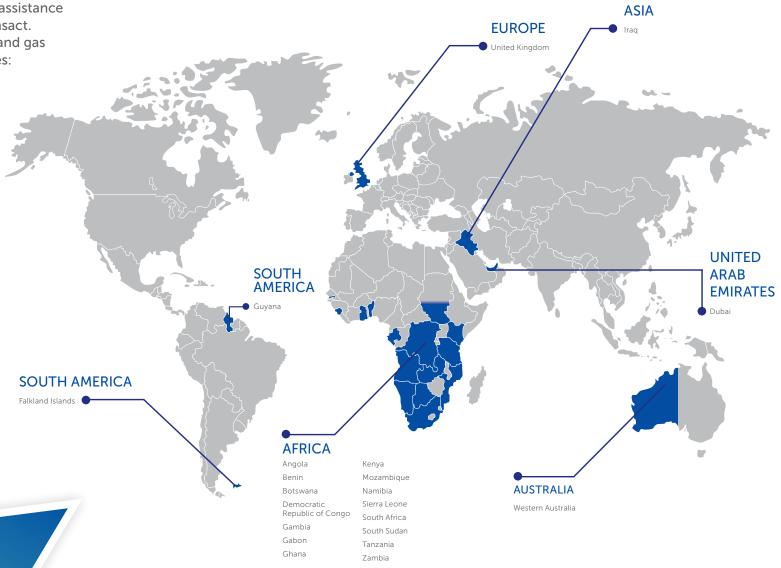
- Our training seminars help clients to develop their own teams, better understand opportunities and risks, and build their own capacity to further save costs and improve efficiency
- We keep our clients informed of proposed legislation and regulations affecting their in-country assets and potential acquisition of assets, and keep clients abreast of trends and developments in the industry through dedicated newsletters and alerts



# Our oil and gas footprint

We provide seamless advice and assistance in whichever jurisdiction you transact. We have assisted clients with oil and gas projects in the following countries:

- Angola
- Benin
- Botswana
- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Dubai
- Falkland Islands
- Gabon
- Gambia
- Ghana
- Guyana
- Iraq
- Kenya
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Sierra Leone
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Tanzania
- United Kingdom
- Western Australia
- Zambia



#### Our transactions Advised on a new oil Advised on the refinery build project under the BOOT model in 3<sup>rd</sup> offshore Advised a BVI IOC licensing round Juba, South Sudan on its acquisition for hydrocarbon of various offshore exploration and blocks in Gambia production in Advised PetroSA on its acquisition in Advised on the sale of a participating interest in Block 12B Kenya to Tullow Oil plc. Advised on the Africa Energy Corp on its acquisition potential acquisition of a 30% interest DE-8 Advised on the acquisition of Rift of a 20% interest in and Etame EPSA in Petroleum Holdings Block B in Benin Gabon in Kenya Advised on the acquisition of Rift Petroleum Holdings Advisors on the Kudu Gas Field National Petroleum Corporation Development Agreements (EPIC, FPS Gas Sales Project of Namibia on its proposed acquisition of oil producing fields in Angola Development Agreements) and cross-border export Tanzania Advised on a participating interest National Oil Company of in the **Tanzania** Pangani and Kilosa-Kilombero licenses to Namibia on its sale of a 39% interest in the Kudu Otto Energy Gas Development Field in Namibia National Oil Company of The acquisition of open acreage gas exploration and production blocks located Namibia on its sale of an 85% interest to supermajor between the Comoros and ExxonMobil in Namibia Mozambique international "The team is very boundary commercially aware. It National Oil Company of Namibia Advisors on the Kudu Gas Field Development on its joint operating agreements Agreements (EPIC, FPS Gas Sales Project and farmouts across 98% of issued is in touch with current Development Agreements) and cross-border petroleum exploration licenses in export Botswana trends both locally and Africa Energy Corp on Block 11B/12B offshore Advisors to PetroSA in relation to internationally and always South Africa. F-A gas fields in Block 9, offshore strives to bring these acquisition of Rift Petroleum Holdings in perspectives in their work." South Africa Advisors to feasibility studies on liquified natural gas (LNG) projects in South Africa **CHAMBERS GLOBAL 2024** Azimuth Group on its sale of a 20% interest to Africa Oil SA Corp in Advised on the sales of participating interest in ODBW, Block 3B4B and Inshore Block 3B4B in Advisors to Equinor ASA. South Africa **South Africa** Advisors to Eni.

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### MARKET RECOGNITION

Our Oil & Gas and Projects & Energy team is externally praised for its depth of resources, capabilities and experience.

Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr was shortlisted for the IFLR Africa Awards 2025 for 'Team of the Year | Regional' for Energy.

Chambers Global 2022–2025 ranked our Projects & Energy sector in Band 4 for projects & energy. Chambers Global 2017–2021 ranked our Projects & Energy sector in Band 3 for projects & energy.

The Legal 500 EMEA 2009-2025 recommended us in Tier 2 for projects & infrastructure.

IFLR1000 2017-2023 ranked our practice in Tier 2 for project finance. IFLR1000 2019-2021 ranked our project development: oil and gas team in Tier 3.

IFLR1000 2024 ranked our practice in Tier 2 in project development: energy and infrastructure and in Tier 1 in 2023.

The way we support and interact with our clients attracts significant external recognition.

Megan Rodgers is the Head of our Oil & Gas sector, and a director in our Corporate & Commercial practice. Chambers Global 2025 ranked Megan in Band 4 for projects & energy. Chambers Global 2024–2025 ranked Megan in the Namibia General Business Law category as 'Foreign Expertise Based in South Africa Spotlight'. The Legal 500 EMEA 2017–2025 recommended her for projects & infrastructure. Megan was named one of IFLR1000 2021–2024 Women Leaders – the elite cohort of the leading female experts in local markets globally. IFLR1000 2020–2024 ranked Megan as highly regarded for project development: oil and gas.

Sammy Ndolo is the Kenya Managing Partner. Chambers Global 2025 ranked Sammy Ndolo in Band 3 for Fintech. Chambers Global 2021–2025 ranked Sammy in Band 4 for corporate/M&A. Chambers Global 2025 ranked him in Band 3 for banking & finance and in Band 4 from 2023–2024. The Legal 500 EMEA 2024–2025 recommended Sammy as a 'Leading Individual' for banking, finance & capital markets. The Legal 500 EMEA 2022–2023 recommended him for banking, finance & capital markets The Legal 500 EMEA 2023–2025 also recommended Sammy for corporate, commercial/M&A. IFLR1000 2021–2024 ranked him as a 'Notable Practitioner'.

Rishaban Moodley is the Practice Head of our Dispute Resolution team and Head of our Gambling & Regulatory Compliance sector.

The Legal 500 EMEA 2016–2025 recommended Rishaban for dispute resolution.

Mashudu Mphafudi is the Practice Head of our Banking, Finance & Projects practice. *The Legal 500 EMEA 2021–2025* recommended Mashudu for banking & finance. *IFLR1000 2019–2024* recommended him as a highly regarded lawyer for banking, capital markets: debt, and project finance. *IFLR1000 2018* recommended Mashudu as a 'Rising Star' for banking, capital markets: debt and project finance.

Jackwell Feris is Head of our Industrials, Manufacturing & Trade sector, and a director in our Dispute Resolution practice. *Chambers Global 2023–2025* ranked him as an 'Up & Coming' dispute resolution lawyer. *The Legal 500 EMEA 2022–2025* recommended Jackwell for dispute resolution. *The Legal 500 EMEA 2025* recommended him for projects & infrastructure. The *Association of Young Arbitrators* recognised Jackwell as an expert arbitration practitioner.

Susan Meyer is the Joint Head of our Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals sector, and a director in our Competition Law practice. *The Legal 500 EMEA 2021–2025* recommended Susan for competition. *IFLR1000 2018–2024* recommended her as a 'Notable Practitioner'.

The Legal 500 EMEA 2018, 2020–2025 recommended Timothy Baker for construction.

The Legal 500 EMEA 2023-2025 recommended Brian Muchiri for banking, finance & capital markets.

Chambers Global 2023–2025 ranked Lucinde Rhoodie in band 4 for dispute resolution. The Legal 500 EMEA 2021–2025 recommended her for dispute resolution.

The Legal 500 EMEA 2024–2025 recommended Amore Carstens for projects & infrastructure.







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Our BBBEE verification is one of several components of our transformation strategy and we continue to seek ways of improving it in a meaningful manner.

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