



## Yacouba Coulibaly

**Positions** Licensed Legal Counsel, Partner

**Office** Abidjan

**Languages** English, French

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**Sector** Energy & Power

**Practices** Project Development & PPP, Project Finance

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### Presentation

Yacouba focuses on project finance.

His practice covers a wide range of sectors, including roads, railways, airports and ports, agriculture, renewables, conventional power and oil & gas, as well as energy & infrastructure.

With more than 22 years of experience, Yacouba has represented project finance clients, including major African and International development banks, commercial lenders and sponsor groups.

#### Selected experience:

- Advising the **Agence Française de Développement (AFD)** on the analysis of Ordinance No. 2024-368, dated June 12, 2024, regarding the organization of civil society in Côte d'Ivoire. Comprehensive review of legal provisions and impact assessment.
- Advising **DYVA GROUP** in connection with the development, construction and operation of an all-inclusive holiday village in the town of Dabou in Côte d'Ivoire, and in particular legal assistance in all phases of the project up to the commissioning phase of the project.
- Advising **Saranour Solaire** for the development and financing of a photovoltaic power plant in Côte d'Ivoire.
- Advised **Finance in Motion** in connection with the financing in senior debt without provision of security or guarantee by the SANAD fund for the benefit of the company NSIA Banque CI.

### Prévious Experience

#### **Orrick RCI**

Energy & Infrastructure Group | Partner | 2018 – 2019

#### **Banque Africaine d'Import-Export (Afreximbank)**

Structured financing of projects and trade | Senior manager | 2008 – 2018

## **Hogan Lovells (Paris Office)**

Business law | Associate | 2001 - 2007

## **Klein Goggard Associes (Paris Office)**

Business law | Associate | 1997 - 2001

## **Klein Goggard Associes (Abidjan Office)**

Business law | Associate | 1995 - 1997

## **Hamza Attea Law firm (Abidjan Office)**

Business law | Associate | 1994 - 1995

## **Education**

### **Université de Paris XI - Paris-Sud**

Post Graduate Degree in International & European Law | 1999

### **Université d'Abidjan**

Master's Degree in Law | 1990

## **Admissions**

National Chamber of Legal Counsels in Côte d'Ivoire | 2018

Abidjan Bar Association | 1994

Paris Bar Association | 2001