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Mouhamed KEBE is the Managing Partner of GENI & KEBE, a full service law firm member of DLA Piper Africa, based in Senegal, and Ivory Coast, with affiliate offices across several jurisdictions mainly in the OHADA region (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Gabon, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Niger). His practice focuses on investment transactions, including joint ventures, banking & finance, corporate reorganisation and restructuring law with a concentration in the West and Central Francophone African Sub Region.

He holds a LLM in Business law from the University of Dakar Cheikh Anta Diop, Senegal, a LLM in International law from the University of Essex, United Kingdom, a Certificate in International Arbitration from the University of London, and a certificate in Investment Arbitration from the Georgetown University, US

He is a chartered arbitrator before the OHADA Court, a member of the Arbitration Court of the ICC, a member of the Committee of the Lagos Court of Arbitration.

He oversees commercial, and investment arbitration, as Counsel, or arbitrator.

Qualifications :

- Bachelor of Laws (UCAD Dakar, Senegal) 1992
- Master of Law (UCAD, Dakar) 1997
- LLM, with Merit (University of Essex, United Kingdom), 2009
- Certificate, International Arbitration, University of London (2013)
- Certificate, Investment Arbitration, Georgetown University, 2019

Affiliations :

- Senegalese Bar Association (Qualified, 1993)
- Law Society of England & Wales (International Division), 2009
- International Bar Association
- Côte d'Ivoire Bar Association (2017)
- Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London branch)
- Chartered Arbitrator, Cour Commune de Justice et d'Arbitrage (OHADA), Abidjan
- Member, Court of Arbitration, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Paris
- Member of the Committee, Lagos Court of Arbitration, Nigeria

Recognition :

- Winner TOP 100 Advisors Finance Monthly (2013, 2014)
- TOP Ranked, Chambers Global, since 2009
- Highly Recommended IFLR 1000, Energy & Infrastructure, since 2014
- Top Tier, IFLR 1000, Corporate & Finance
- Deal Maker of the Month, Finance Monthly, 2012
- Jeune Afrique Top 50 African business lawyers Award
- Acquisition International Arbitrator of the Year - Senegal 2016
- Financial Africa TOP 18 African business lawyers Award, 2018

Recent Publications on Arbitration and Investment :

- Arbitration Under OHADA Law, ICLG Guide to International Arbitration 2013
<https://www.gsklaw.sn/news/222-gehi-kebe-provide-an-overview-of-international-arbitration-across-the-ohada-states-for-the-iclg-comparative-guide>
- Doing Business in Cameroon : Key Issues to be aware of, IFLR 2014 Legislation guide, 2014
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<https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=eb9b812e-ee67-4e06-9856-93a060262092>
- Investment Agreements and Human Rights Issues : The Chad-Cameroon Pipeline Project, Business and Human Rights p.63, Global Studies Institute et Université de Genève, 2016.
https://www.unige.ch/gsi/files/4114/7696/4092/Manuscrit_2016_BHR_Ebook.pdf
- L'Attractivité du nouveau droit de l'Arbitrage de l'OHADA, LEXOLOGY, 2018/The Attractiveness of the new OHADA Arbitration Act
<https://afrimag.net/lattractivite-du-nouveau-droit-ohada-de-larbitrage/>
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- Arbitrage États-Investisseurs, Chapitre sur le Sénégal- Guide ICLG, 2018
<https://iclg.com/practice-areas/investor-state-arbitration-laws-and-regulations/senegal>
- L'intervention des tiers dans l'arbitrage CCJA, in 20 ans de l'arbitrage OHADA, Lexis Nexis, 2019, pp. 323-335
https://biblio.ohada.org/pmb/opac_css/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=6903

- Parole d'Expert: La culture juridique de l'Arbitre est très importante, LJA OHADA, numéro 1, 2019
http://www.ohada.com/content/newsletters/5388/LJA_n00_15mars2020.pdf
- Guide de la CCI relatif aux procédures nationales de reconnaissance et d'exécution des sentences en vertu de la Convention de New York- Chapitre Sénégal - À paraître
- The AfCTA and liberalization of financial services in Africa, Africa Connect, Issue 2, 2019
<https://www.dlapiper.com/en/africa/insights/publications/2019/04/africa-connected-issue-2/the-liberalization-of-financial-services-in-africa/>
- Nouveau Code des Investissements du Bénin: Aperçu des principales innovations
<https://www.dlapiperafrica.com/en/senegal/insights/2020/benins-new-investment-code.html>
<https://www.dlapiperafrica.com/fr/senegal/insights/2020/benins-new-investment-code.html>
- Nouveau code des investissements en Côte d'Ivoire : Focus sur les dispositions relatives au règlement de différends et au développement durable, in Investment treaty news, septembre, 2019
<http://cf.iisd.net/itn/fr/2019/09/19/ivory-coasts-new-investment-code-focus-on-issues-related-to-sustainable-development-and-dispute-settlement-mouhamed-kebe-mahamat-atteib-mouhamoud-sangare/>
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<https://www.dlapiper.com/en/france/insights/publications/2020/11/africa-connected-issue-5/the-time-is-now-for-continental-unity-in-african-dispute-settlement/>

Recent Work on Arbitration:

- **Co-Arbitrator** on an ICC claim dealing with telecommunication license transfer in Democratic Republic of Congo
- **Co-Arbitrator** on an ICC claim dealing with hotel construction in Togo
- **President of the Arbitral Tribunal** on a CCJA arbitration claim dealing with business acquisition between a company based in Togo, and a company based in Cameroon
- Co-Arbitrator on a PCA Investor-State claim in relation to infrastructure projects against Cameroon by a TNC registered under Portugal law
- **Counsel of the Defendant** in an ICSID Investor-State claim in relation to mining projects against Senegal by a TNC registered under French law
- **Counsel of the Defendant** in a CCJA Investor-State claim in relation to infrastructure projects against Senegal by a TNC registered under Canadian law
- **Counsel of the Defendant** in a CCJA claim in relation to franchise agreement between the Senegalese branch of a TNC registered under Spanish law, and a Senegalese distributor company
- **Counsel of the Defendant** in an arbitration claim before the **Dakar Arbitration Chamber** in relation to aviation contract
- **Reporter (as a member of the Court)** on number of draft awards submitted to the ICC Court of Arbitration