



ENKO CAPITAL

# Alix Pinel Joins Enko Capital

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Established in 2008, Enko Capital is an African-focused asset management firm with US\$800 million under management. Enko manages debt, private debt, equity and private equity investments across Africa. In recent weeks, Enko has expanded its team by adding Alix Pinel.

**Alix Pinel** has joined Enko Capital as a Partner in the private equity team. Alix joins the investment team led by Enko's Founder and Managing Partner, Cyrille Nkontchou, whom she has previously worked with, and Eric Soubeiga also a Partner in the private equity team.



Alix has joined from BNP Paribas where she was the Head of Group Strategy. Alix brings 17 years of private equity and corporate development experience, including a decade in emerging markets. Alix spent more than 7 years with BNP sitting in their New York and Paris offices. Prior to BNP, from 2014-2016, Alix was a Senior Investment Officer for the Enko Africa Private Equity Fund I where she sat in Enko's Johannesburg office and sourced investment opportunities across Sub-Saharan Africa.

Before Alix's spell at Enko, she spent 4 years as an Investment Officer in the Private Equity Division of PROPARCO under the Groupe Agence Française de Développement (AFD Group). Prior to that Alix was an Analyst for AXA Assistance (AXA Group).

Alix holds a Master's degree in Business Management from HEC Paris and a Bachelor's in Law from the University of Paris XI. She is also a CFA Charterholder.

Enko raised its first private equity fund in 2014 (\$63.4 million), which identified and invested in mid-market growth companies across Africa. Enko invested in 7 African enterprises across various sectors: finance, logistics, telco, and IT. To date, 6 exits have been finalized, with the remaining exit in progress.

Alix will be an integral part of Enko's private equity team as they look to raise US\$150 million for its second private equity fund. Enko will continue to pursue its commitment to SMEs in sub-Saharan Africa by targeting sustainable, growing, and key sectors that will be the backbone of the continent's future development. Enko's private equity team has a well-defined ESG mission, which is in line with best-in-class practices.

## ENKO GROUP

### FOUNDED

2008

### OFFICES

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Johannesburg, South Africa  
Port-Louis, Mauritius  
Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire  
Yaoundé, Cameroon  
Kigali, Rwanda

### FOCUS

Africa-focused strategies  
Absolute Return Debt/FX  
Private Equity  
Private Debt  
Public Debt  
Multi-Asset

### OWNERSHIP

100% by Founders  
Alain Nkontchou  
Cyrille Nkontchou

### TEAM

45 professionals  
45% women  
23 investment professionals

VALUE IS THE SUM OF OUR PARTS

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