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Background

Serge has developed distinctive expertise in assisting clients seeking to invest in Africa's complex and emerging markets while ensuring full compliance with the most demanding regulatory requirements. He has proven to be an effective partner to investors, lenders, local sponsors, intermediaries and governments, delivering reliable solutions that contribute to the success of strategic and critical projects across the continent.

Specialised in OHADA countries and the SADC region, Serge has an in-depth understanding of geopolitical, economic and commercial issues in key sectors including telecommunications, banking, finance, energy, agriculture and mining. His strategic judgement and innovative approach have been instrumental in successful African ventures, particularly in the DRC, where he leads ADNA. He is admitted to the Brussels Bar, where he has practised since October 2006, and holds an LL.B. from Saint Louis University (2002) and two LL.M. degrees from the Université Libre de Bruxelles (2005; International Business Law, 2006).

Recognised by the Financial Times as one of the ten most innovative lawyers in the United States, Serge is also a visionary entrepreneur and astute businessperson committed to long-term initiatives that promote inclusive growth and create value for all stakeholders. His expertise covers information technology, mining services, distribution networks, client onboarding, and asset management. He played a key role in transforming the mining sector by introducing innovative models such as production-sharing agreements and supervised the establishment of key DRC institutions supporting mining, finance and related services. He serves on the boards of several leading companies, including Rome Resources Ltd and Viasat Congo. He is fluent in French, English, Spanish, Portuguese, Greek, Swahili, Lunda and Lingala.

Professional Membership

- Admitted to the Bruxelles bar

Professional Qualifications

2005 DES / LLM, Droit International des Addaires, Université Libre de Bruxelles

2005 Licences en Droit, Droit Privé, Université Libre de Bruxelles

Career Summary

Mar 2026 – Date	Partner, ADNA
Nov 2014 – Mar 2026	Managing Partner, ProximA Law
Mar 2017 – Nov 2020	Administrateur et membre du comité de direction
Jan 2012 – Aug 2016	Attorney at Law, DLA Piper – Africa Team
2006 – 2011	Partner, KYC Lawyers

Areas of Expertise

- Projects & Infrastructure
- Telecommunications
- Mining & Minerals