

# THATO MAPHETO

Finance & Data Professional | Project Finance Modelling | Governance & Clean Energy Johannesburg, South Africa

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## SUMMARY

I am a finance and data professional with a strong foundation in accounting, financial governance, and project finance modelling, and over two years of experience supporting large-scale operational and capital projects in a heavy industrial environment. My work bridges finance, data analytics, and digital systems to improve cost control, transparency, and decision-making.

I have a growing interest in clean energy and climate-aligned infrastructure and am motivated to apply financial modelling, analytics, and governance skills to support South Africa's just energy transition.

## EDUCATION

### Bcom Accounting

**University of Johannesburg**

⌚ 02/2019 - 11/2021

## SKILLS

### Finance, Accounting & Cost Control

Management Accounting

Budgeting & Forecasting

Financial Reconciliations

Cost & Variance Analysis

Capital Expenditure Tracking

AFE Tracking

P&L and Balance Sheet Analysis

VAT & Compliance Review

Month-End Close Support

### Data Analytics & Business Intelligence

Data Cleaning & Preparation

Exploratory Data Analysis

Statistical Foundations

SQL

Data Querying

Relational Database Design

Power BI

Data Modelling

DAX Basics

Dashboards

Data Visualisation

Visual Storytelling

Data-Driven Decision Making

### ERP, Systems & Tools

SAP ERP

Cost Tracking

Microsoft Excel

Pivot Tables

Lookups

Budget Uploads

SQL Databases

Google Workspace

## EXPERIENCE

### Finance Graduate

**Sibanye**

⌚ 2022 - 07/2024 📍 Rustenburg, South Africa

**Sibanye Stillwater** is a multinational precious metals mining company operating in South Africa and the United States.

- Supported financial governance and cost control for large-scale operational and capital projects in a heavy industrial environment.
- Identified and recovered approximately R11 million in incorrectly parked and aged SAP commitments, improving budget availability and cost centre accuracy.
- Performed detailed cost and variance analysis against approved business plans, enabling corrective actions at operational levels.
- Monitored CAPEX, inventory, and materials costs through reconciliations, cycle counts, and expediting reports.
- Supported month-end close through accruals, provisions, cost transfers, and trial balance clean-up.
- Strengthened compliance by validating invoices for VAT accuracy, contractual alignment, and labour costing.

### Acting Finance Supervisor

**Sibanye**

⌚ 12/2023 - 01/2024

📍 Rustenburg, South Africa

**Sibanye Stillwater** is a multinational precious metals mining company with operations in South Africa and the United States, producing platinum group metals (PGMs) and gold.

- Led and coordinated day-to-day finance operations across multiple cost centres.
- Acted as a key liaison between finance, procurement, payroll, and operations teams.
- Ensured adherence to governance frameworks, company policy, and accurate SAP processing.
- Provided guidance on budgeting, invoice validation, and cost reporting to operational stakeholders.

## CERTIFICATIONS

### Data Analytics

**ALX Africa** - 12/12/2025

<https://savanna.alxafrica.com/certificates/sfhcNBeLTZ>

### Financial Modelling

DLO Energy Resources Group (EWSETA) - January 2026

## SKILLS

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### Professional & Interpersonal skills

Stakeholder Communication	Ethical Decision-Making
Cross-Functional Collaboration	Presentation Integrity
Attention to Detail	Stakeholders Engagement
Problem Solving	Continuous Learning Work Planning
Research & Analytical Thinking	Resource Allocation
Adaptability	Leadership Accountability
Time Management	Organizational skills

## REFERENCES

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Available on request

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### Data Science (In progress)

ALX Africa: 8 Dec 2025 - present

### Professional Foundations

ALX Africa - 05/08/2025:

<https://savanna.alxafrica.com/certificates/JSMmxGFN5s>

## PROJECTS

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### Procurement & Financial Dashboard

12/2025 - Present

Johannesburg, South Africa

Designed an end-to-end procurement and financial dashboard using SQL and Power BI to deliver actionable spend and cost insights

- Designed an end-to-end procurement and financial analytics dashboard using SQL and Power BI.
- Built a relational database structure to analyze spend patterns, supplier performance, and cost drivers.
- Delivered interactive dashboards to support management decision-making.
- Applied financial and operational data storytelling techniques to translate insights into action.