

THATO MAPHETO

Finance Graduate | Financial Modelling & Governance | Wind Energy & Clean Transition

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SUMMARY

Finance professional with over 2 years of experience in financial reporting and cost control, expert in Project Finance Modelling and SAP ERP. Key achievements include identifying and recovering approximately R11 million in incorrectly parked and aged SAP commitments and supporting financial governance and cost control in large-scale operational projects. Seeking an Internship position at Wind Industry Internship Programme (WIIP) under South African Wind Energy Association (SAWEA), where my skills in financial reporting, Financial Project modelling and cost control can support the mission of contributing to South Africa's clean-energy future.

EDUCATION

Bcom Accounting

University of Johannesburg

⌚ 02/2019 - 11/2021

SKILLS

Finance, Accounting, Energy & Infrastructure

Budgeting & Forecasting

Financial Reconciliations

Cost & Variance Analysis

Capital Expenditure Tracking

Project Finance Modelling

Governance Your Skill

Cash Flow Analysis

Internal Controls

Budgeting

Financial Reconciliations

Variance Analysis

Forecasting

Cost Control

VAT & Compliance Review

Month-End Close Support

Data Analytics & Business Intelligence

Dashboards Visual Storytelling

Data Cleaning & Preparation

SQL Queries & Relational Databases

Power BI Data Modelling & Dashboards

Financial & Operational Reporting

Data-Driven Decision Support

EXPERIENCE

Finance Graduate

Sibanye

⌚ 2022 - 07/2024 📍 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.

- Supported financial governance and cost control for large-scale operational and capital projects within 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, supporting corrective actions at operational level.
- 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-ups.
- Strengthened compliance by validating invoices for VAT accuracy, contractual alignment, and labour costing.

Acting Finance Supervisor

Sibanye

⌚ 12/2023 - 01/2024

📍 Rustenburg, South Africa

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- Led and coordinated day-to-day finance operations for multiple cost centres.
- Acted as liaison between finance, procurement, payroll, and operations.
- Ensured governance, policy compliance, and accurate SAP processing.
- Provided guidance on budgeting, invoice validation, and cost reporting.

CERTIFICATIONS

Project Finance Modelling – Energy & Infrastructure

DLO Energy Resources (With EWSETA) \ January 2026

Data Analytics

ALX Africa - 12/12/2025

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

SKILLS

ERP, Systems & Tools

SAP ERP Microsoft Excel Power BI SQL

Microsoft Office Google Workspace

Professional & Interpersonal skills

Stakeholder Engagement & Communication

Cross-Functional Collaboration

Research & Analytical Thinking

Attention to Detail & Accountability

Adaptability & Continuous Learning

Integrity

REFERENCES

Magnus De Beer - Finance Manager

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Noko Maswanganyi - Finance Superintendent

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CERTIFICATIONS

Data Science (In progress)

ALX Africa: 8 Dec 2025 - present

PROJECTS

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

- Built a relational database structure to analyze spend, supplier performance, and cost drivers.
- Delivered interactive dashboards to support management decision-making.
- Studied and applied financial and operational data storytelling techniques.

INTEREST IN WIND ENERGY & CLEAN TRANSITION

 **Strong interest in renewable energy finance, climate-aligned infrastructure, and sustainable development**

 **Motivated to apply financial modelling, analytics, and governance skills within the wind energy value chain**

 **Keen to support South Africa's just energy transition through data-driven and financially sound decision-making**