

# OUSSAMA BENYAHYA

Financing & Investment Professional | Project Structuring & Infrastructure  
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Finance professional with 10+ years of experience in project finance, investment structuring, and complex asset financing across international markets. Proven expertise in financial modeling, due diligence coordination, and negotiation of structured financing with public and private stakeholders. Demonstrated track record in closing strategic financing transactions and managing multi-stakeholder processes across energy, pharma and infrastructure sectors. Eager to contribute to Africa's infrastructure development through impactful and sustainable projects, with strong ties to Morocco.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### Head of Funding and investments

September 2022 – Present

*Orano - Paris, France*

- Structured and analyzed strategic investment projects, including GBII extension, Orano Batteries and Orano Med.
- Built and managed complex financial models (IRR, NPV, DSCR) and business plans.
- Conducted comprehensive due diligence reviews (commercial, technical, legal, tax, ESG).
- Participated in the preparation of investment memoranda and board-level financial materials.
- Coordinated internal and external stakeholders: banks, funds, legal and technical advisors, and financial institutions (EIB, EBRD, Bpifrance, Sinosure).
- Led cross-functional workstreams with internal stakeholders and external consultants.
- Supervised junior analysts on modeling and documentation tasks.

### Head of Front Office and Financing

August 2019 – September 2022

*Ipsen - Paris, France*

- Supported M&A and strategic alliance transactions with technical and financial analysis (Clementia Acquisition and Carve-out of CHC units).
- Built financial models and valuation frameworks for investment projects.
- Supported strategic initiatives and business planning in cross-functional environments.
- Contributed to early-stage structuring and pitch materials for financing partners.

### Senior Consultant

July 2017 – August 2019

*Emerson Audit & Conseil - Paris, France*

- Conducted due diligence and strategic reviews in energy and pharmaceutical sectors.
- Led diagnostics and designed target operating models for treasury/finance functions.
- Supported the creation of corporate finance departments within client organizations.
- Coordinated multidisciplinary teams and client stakeholders during transformation projects.

### Junior Treasury and Financing Officer

April 2014 – July 2017

*Air Liquide - Paris, France*

- Provided financial support to strategic operations (Airgas acquisition and financing).
- Participated in the execution of financing strategies (NEUCP, USCP programs).
- Assessed subsidiaries' financing needs and recommended tailored structures.
- Contributed to financial risk management and capital structure optimization.

## SELECTED DEALS

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### Orano

- GBI Extension Project (2024) – Financial modelling & due diligence coordination (€1.7bn of total Capex and €400m EIB loan)
- Orano Med (2024) – Closing of a global licensing of AlphaMedix™ deal with Sanofi's equity investment of €300m.
- Orano Batteries (2023) – Structuring of a battery materials JV with XTC and financial modeling of the 1<sup>st</sup> Phase of the manufacturing project (Capex €600m).

### Ipsen

- Sale of Ipsen CHC Business to Mayoly Spindler (2022) – Carve-out execution, due diligence, financial documentation, and negotiation support (€350m incl. earn-out).
- Acquisition of Clementia Pharmaceuticals (2019) – Financial modeling and valuation for the acquisition of rare disease pipeline assets (\$1.3bn USD)

### Air Liquide

- Acquisition of Airgas (2016) – Assisted with financial structuring and modeling for largest M&A in Air Liquide's history (\$13.4bn).

## EDUCATION

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### Master in Science in Finance

September 2013 – July 2014

*London School of Business and Finance (LSBF)* – Project Finance major

### Master en Management (DESMA)

September 2010 – July 2014

*Grenoble Ecole de Management (ESC)* – CFA Track

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- **Investment and structuring:** Financial modeling (Excel, VBA), valuation, NPV, IRR, scenario analysis.
- **Technical:** Advanced Excel, VBA, Python basics, Bloomberg/Reuters for technical analysis.
- **Languages:** Arabic (native), French (native), English (fluent, TOEIC 970)