



WAKANENE & ASSOCIATES

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS · KENYA

Firm Profile

2026

Clarity in every number.

Confidence in every decision.

ASSURANCE PROVIDER · PROBLEM SOLVER · INSIGHT GENERATOR · TRUSTED ADVISOR

Nairobi · Hargeisa · Mogadishu

ICPAK Practising Firm No. PF/548

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01 WHO WE ARE

Numbers you can trust.

Advice you can act on.

Wakanene & Associates is a Kenyan firm of Certified Public Accountants delivering **audit and assurance, tax and business advisory** services across East Africa and the Horn of Africa. We help organisations, from UN agencies and international NGOs to universities, government ministries and private companies, meet their obligations, strengthen their controls and make better decisions.

Our people have built their careers in local and multinational organisations. They bring advice that is practical, ethical and, when it needs to be, challenging. That advice has helped our clients reach their goals through ever-changing economic and market conditions.

Years of assignments across a wide range of sectors have given us an in-depth, on-the-ground understanding of the economies we work in, and of what it takes to succeed in them.

3 offices: Nairobi, Hargeisa and Mogadishu	12 countries where we have delivered assignments	49 UNFPA and UNICEF implementing partners audited in two years	10+ years of experience in every member of our senior team
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What we stand for

Quality Work that stands up to scrutiny, every single time.	Integrity Independent, objective and honest, without exception.	Trust Confidentiality and reliability you can build on.	Commitment Your goals become our goals.	Decisiveness Clear conclusions, delivered when they matter.
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The roles we play for you

01 Assurance provider Independent assurance that gives your stakeholders confidence in your numbers.	02 Problem solver Practical answers to the accounting, tax and control challenges you face.	03 Insight generator Fresh perspectives from every engagement to help you perform better.	04 Trusted advisor A sounding board for your most important decisions, today and tomorrow.
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02 OUR PROMISE

The red-carpet treatment. Every client. Every time.

Working with us means more than an opinion at year-end. It means a partner who shows up, keeps you informed and delivers when promised. Here is what we commit to:

01

We stay in touch

We keep you informed throughout the engagement, sharing findings and recommendations as they arise. No surprises: every finding is discussed and cleared with management at an exit meeting.

02

We are there when it matters

During the engagement or long after it, we make time at the moments most critical and convenient to you, from routine queries to complex accounting, tax, reporting and disclosure issues.

03

We meet deadlines

Deadlines are the backbone of an efficient engagement. We commit whatever resources it takes to deliver on the dates we agree with you.

Why clients choose us

Tailored attention

A client focus built around your organisation, with a team that is available whenever you need it.

An advisor for the long run

A trusted advisor for today's questions and tomorrow's decisions.

One integrated team

Knowledgeable professionals who work as one and are committed to serving you.

Consistent quality

A seamless approach and proven methodology that deliver the same high standard on every engagement.

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You need someone competent and trustworthy working beside you, so that you can stay focused on running your organisation. **That is the role we play.**

03 WHAT WE DO

Three disciplines. One trusted partner.

We provide audit, tax and business advisory services that help organisations meet their statutory requirements, manage risk and perform better in dynamic and demanding environments.

Our service is **partner-led**. You work directly with senior professionals who bring deep experience across sectors and service lines, because we know that close, effective relationships matter to you.



Audit and assurance

Confidence for every stakeholder

We deliver independent, high-quality and efficient audits of financial statements that strengthen the reliability of the information your investors, donors and other stakeholders rely on.

Our risk-based approach concentrates on the areas of your financial statements that matter most and gives you constructive, practical ideas for improving internal controls and business systems.

We apply a globally recognised methodology that complies with International Standards on Auditing and the applicable professional standards and reporting frameworks.

OUR AUDIT AND ASSURANCE SERVICES

- Statutory audits
- Audits of donor-funded projects
- Internal control reviews



Tax consultancy

Your tax burden is our responsibility.

Tax rules change constantly, and the cost of getting them wrong is high. We help you stay compliant, avoid penalties and pay no more than the law requires, so you can focus on running your organisation.

HOW WE HELP

- Tax compliance reviews and health checks
- Tax planning and advisory
- PAYE, VAT and withholding tax guidance
- Preparation and filing of tax returns
- Support during tax authority audits and objections



Business advisory

Building value that lasts

Our advisory services help clients create and protect value. Our well-trained professionals draw on global benchmarks, best practice and a toolbox of proven, modern methodologies to deliver solutions that make businesses and organisations more competitive and more sustainable.

OUR SPECIALIST ADVISORY SERVICES

- Risk assessments
- Internal audit
- Internal control reviews
- Agreed-upon procedures
- Preparation of financial statements
- Development of procurement policies
- Review of financial policies
- Capacity and micro assessments
- Spot checks
- Outsourced accountancy
- Customised training and capacity building on financial policies, compliance and audit

HOW WE WORK

A clear path from first meeting to final report

STEP 1

Understand

We get to know your organisation, its risks, its funders and what you need from us.

STEP 2

Plan

We agree scope, timelines and a risk-focused approach, so there are no surprises later.

STEP 3

Deliver

Our team does the work efficiently and keeps you updated on findings as they arise.

STEP 4

Report and follow through

Clear, practical reporting, discussed with management, and support to act on it.

Partner-led. Every engagement is overseen by a partner from start to finish, so you always have a senior, accountable point of contact.

04 WHERE WE WORK

Rooted in East Africa. Trusted across the region.

From our head office in Nairobi and our offices in Hargeisa and Mogadishu, we serve clients across East and Central Africa and the Horn of Africa. Our people have also delivered assignments further afield.



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Countries where we have delivered assignments

01 Kenya	02 Somalia	03 Somaliland	04 Uganda
05 Tanzania	06 Rwanda	07 South Sudan	08 DR Congo
09 Malawi	10 Zambia	11 Thailand	12 United States

Local presence

Teams on the ground in Kenya, Somaliland and Somalia who know the context.

Regional reach

Assignments delivered across East and Central Africa and the Horn.

International standards

A globally accepted methodology aligned with International Standards on Auditing.

05 TRACK RECORD

Trusted by organisations that make a difference.

Our clients include UN agencies, international and national NGOs, universities, government ministries and development authorities. Below is a selection of the assignments we have delivered.

ORGANISATION	LOCATION	ASSIGNMENT
SOMALILAND 2 assignments		
Berbera Urban Development Authority	Berbera	Audit of UN-Habitat funded projects
Sheikh University of Natural Sciences and Technology	Sheikh	Institutional financial audit
SOMALIA 11 assignments		
Ministry of Finance, Federal Republic of Somalia	Mogadishu	Audit of the Drylands Development Project funded by the Islamic Development Bank (2018 and 2019)
Jamhuriya University of Science & Technology	Mogadishu	Institutional financial audit
Banadir University	Mogadishu	Multiple project audits
Direct Aid Somalia	Mogadishu	Institutional financial audit
Daryeel Bulsho Guud (DBG)	Mogadishu	Institutional financial audit
Shabelle Relief Development Organisation (SHARDO)	Mogadishu	Audit of the Education Cannot Wait project
Somali Peace Line	Mogadishu	Institutional financial audit and multiple project audits
Muslim Hands Somalia	Mogadishu	Institutional financial audit
Population Services International (PSI)	Somalia	Audit of the DFID-funded Maternal and Child Health Care project
Save the Children International	Somalia	Audit of the DFID-funded Maternal and Child Health Care project
Norwegian Refugee Council	Somalia	Organisational financial audit
KENYA 8 assignments		
Kenya Red Cross Society	Kenya	Organisational financial audit
Catholic Relief Services	Kenya	Audit of the Misereor-funded WASH project
Population Services International (PSI)	Kenya	Organisational financial audit
Church World Service	Kenya	Organisational financial audit
Jhpiego	Kenya	Organisational financial audit

ORGANISATION	LOCATION	ASSIGNMENT
Caritas Switzerland	Kenya	Organisational financial audit
Caritas Australia	Kenya	Audit of the Caritas Australia-funded Malindi Livelihoods Program
Africa Yoga Project (AYP)	Nairobi	Institutional financial audit
REGIONAL AND MULTI-COUNTRY 7 assignments		
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)	Kenya / Somalia	Audit of 21 UNFPA-funded implementing partners (2015)
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)	Kenya / Somalia	Audit of 28 UNICEF-funded implementing partners (2016)
Population Services International (PSI)	DR Congo	Organisational financial audit
Population Services International (PSI)	South Sudan	Organisational financial audit
Norwegian Refugee Council	South Sudan	Organisational financial audit
Norwegian Refugee Council	Tanzania	Organisational financial audit
Jhpiego	Malawi	Organisational financial audit

This is a selection only. Our wider client base also includes multilateral and bilateral institutions, national and international non-governmental organisations and private companies.

Sectors we serve

UN agencies and multilaterals Audits of UN-funded implementing partners and multilateral programmes	International NGOs Organisational and project audits across multiple country offices	National NGOs and CSOs Institutional audits, donor compliance and capacity building
Universities Institutional financial audits and project audits	Government and public bodies Audits of development-partner funded projects and agencies	Private sector Statutory audit, tax and outsourced accounting support

06 OUR PEOPLE

Our strength is our people.

Our engagement teams specialise in audits of multilateral and non-governmental organisations and the advisory work that goes with them. They combine insight, sound judgement and excellent technical skills with the right blend of experience to deliver every assignment effectively.

The team is led by our Managing Director, supported by senior professionals who each bring more than ten years of professional experience.



David Wakanene

MANAGING DIRECTOR · Nairobi office

- Over 12 years of audit experience
- Master of Accountancy, Bowling Green State University, USA
- Bachelor of Business Administration (Accounting)
- Certified Public Accountant of Kenya (CPA-K)



Abdinur Mohamed

ASSOCIATE PARTNER · Hargeisa office

- Over 10 years of professional experience
- MSc in Urban Development and Management
- Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of Public Administration
- Certificate, Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)



Abdirahim Elmi

ASSOCIATE PARTNER · Mogadishu office

- Over 12 years of professional experience
- Master of Finance (in progress)
- Master of Project Management
- Bachelor of Business Administration
- Higher Diploma in Accountancy

07 CREDENTIALS

Licensed. Regulated.

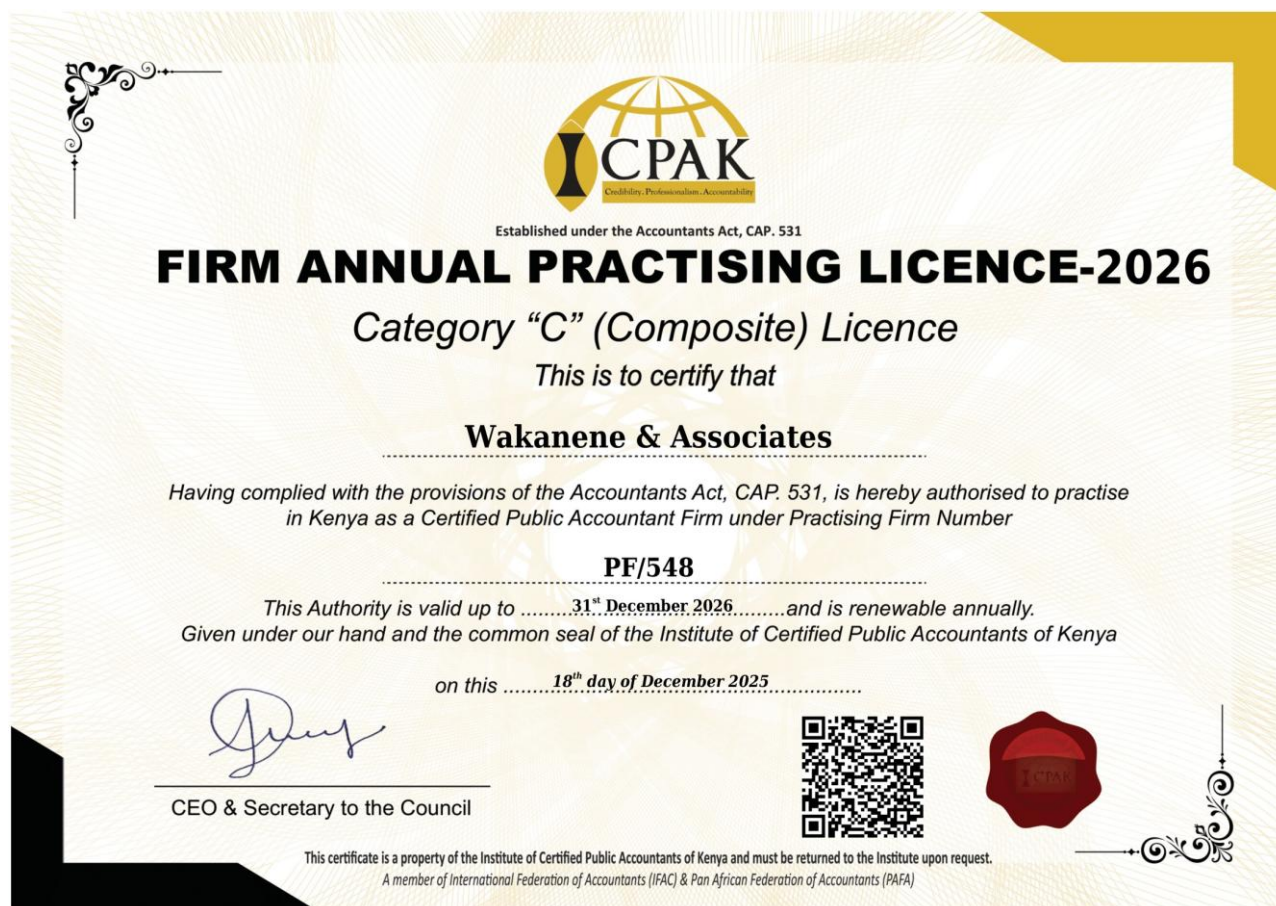
Accountable.

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PRACTISING FIRM NO.
PF/548

LICENCE CATEGORY
"C" Composite

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31 December 2026



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Let's talk.

Whether you need an audit, a second opinion or a partner for the long haul, we would be glad to hear from you.

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