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Francis Cronje is an Advocate of the High Court and the Managing Director of franciscronje.com. He was instrumental in the drafting and refinement of the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), and acted in an advisory capacity to Parliament's Technical Working Committee on POPIA where he served on the relevant portfolio, technical and NCOP committees. Francis has co-authored numerous titles on POPIA, PAIA, ECTA and RICA. He is a regular speaker on POPIA and ICT law.



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