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Africa's tallest skyscraper will dwarf Carlton Centre

WITH the foundation stone laid by Kenyan President Uhuru Kenyatta, construction has begun on the Pinnacle in Nairobi, Kenya, which at a height of 300m will be the tallest skyscraper in Africa, easily exceeding Johannesburg's 223m Carlton Centre.

Well positioned in the capital city's vibrant financial hub of Upper Hill, 16km from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, this luxury mixed-use development will include its own helipad, residential apartments and a five-star Hilton Hotel.

"The \$200m (R2.5bn) project is arousing a great deal of interest," Kunaal Samani, MD of Pam Golding Properties in Kenya, said.

The luxury development includes two glass-facade towers. "One building will be 70 storeys with 20 floors commercial and the balance 209 opulent residential apartments. The other tower will be the 45 storey, 255 room Hilton Hotel with conference facilities, luxury spa, gym and open-air infinity pool."

The Pinnacle will include offices, a shopping mall and basement parking, as well as a viewing deck with impressive views of Mount Kilimanjaro and Mount Kenya.

Other features are high-speed passenger lifts and a back-up water supply. - TNA Reporter

