

# Henico Schalekamp

Partner

**Henico Schalekamp is a bold and dynamic professional who embodies the strength and resourcefulness of modern-day leadership.**

An accomplished Chartered Accountant, Henico began his studies immediately after finishing school, balancing them with part-time work as he completed his articles. Within just three years, he was promoted to Audit Manager, leading a division of approximately 30 employees. In 2015, he was recognised as a finalist in the Accountancy SA Top 35-under-35 CAs(SA), a shortlist that honoured his excellence in business, notable career achievements, and commitment to philanthropy. A high achiever from the outset of his career, Henico was already heading an audit department and later his own firm by the age of 21. He went on to gain extensive experience working with leading multinational companies, overseeing mergers and acquisitions, and facilitating international trade deals. Among his many accomplishments, one career highlight stands out: successfully closing a high-profile international deal.

Outside the professional arena, Henico is an avid tennis enthusiast and regularly competes in national tournaments, dedicating much of his personal time to training and competition.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### 2023-Present

HLB CBS Group South Africa  
Bakertilly Mauritius  
ACM and Associates

### 2010-2022

PKF South Africa: Corporate finance partner (SA)  
Head of corporate finance (Africa)

### 2009-2010

BDO SA Inc: Audit Manager

### 2002-2008

ELB Inc: Director (2008), Audit Manager  
(2006-2008), Trainee Accountant (2002-2005)

Over the past 20 years, Henico has been involved in a wide range of high-level assignments, including international and specialised tax opinions, business valuations, due diligence reviews, and both leveraged and management buy-outs. He has also led audit engagements for major corporates, spanning both listed and unlisted entities.

Notable clients he has worked with include Resilient REIT Limited, Acision Limited, Investec Property Limited, Foster Wheeler (Pty) Ltd, Frontier Services Group, Skybound Capital Limited, Anglorand Group, Lighthouse Capital Limited, Accelerate Property Fund, African Alliance, and Zest WEG Group.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors – Registered Auditor
- South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) – Chartered Accountant
- Institute of Directors (IoD)
- South African Institute of Professional Accountants (SAIPA) – Professional Accountant
- JSE – Registered Auditor for Listed Companies | Reporting Accountant Specialist



## NATIONALITY

South African

## YEARS OF EXPERIENCE


15+ years' experience in similar business


## EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

- Bcom Accounting Hons, Certificate in the theory of accounting
- BCom Accounting

Henico's experience include corporate finance, taxation and audits of large private companies including listed and multinational companies. The sectors of which Henico specialises in include manufacturing, food & drink, real estate, construction and financial services.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## KEY CONSULTANCIES

- 2004 ○ Senior, Abeyla Trading Due Diligence, South Africa. Assisted with the due diligence and valuation, as well as negotiating the selling price on behalf of the seller.
- 2004 – 2005 ○ Senior, Johnson Group, South Africa Responsible for raising capital from the IDC to enable the company to commence its processing operations on the mines in Kimberley. Henico compiled all related documentation and led negotiations with the IDC to secure the required funding.
- 2007 ○ Manager, Abeyla Trading, Sale of Company, South Africa. Managed the entire process from sourcing the buyer, compiling the documentation, negotiating the purchase price, and preparing the legal documents for review by the buyer's attorneys.
- 2009 ○ Manager, Investec Property Limited, South Africa. Provided consulting on various real estate matters. Henico spent six months on this assignment.
- 2010 ○ Partner, Merkaba Zambia / Anglorand Seychelles, Zambia & Seychelles. Provided consulting services on construction and real estate transactions.
- 2013 ○ Partner, PSA, South Africa. Advised the largest signage company in South Africa on a range of strategic initiatives, with a focus on expanding operations into Africa.
- 2014 ○ Partner, Various PKF Firms, New York & London. Consulted on significant international tax structures with firms based in New York and London.
- 2015 ○ Corporate Finance Partner, Frontier Services Group, Hong Kong & South Africa Led due diligence and assisted PKF Hong Kong in completing a transaction on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, including all Reporting Accountant responsibilities.
- 2015 ○ Corporate Finance Partner, Anglorand Medical, Shanghai & South Africa. Responsible for due diligence and transaction advisory services for the acquisition of Tecmed and Elite Surgical Supplies.
- 2016 ○ Corporate Finance Partner, Skybound Capital, South Africa, Mauritius, London, Hong Kong & Australia. Led due diligence and transaction advisory services for the acquisition of the Skybound Group of Companies.
- 2019 ○ Reporting Accountant. Performed Reporting Accountant duties in a restructuring transaction for Resilient REIT, with a transaction value of R2.9 billion.
- 2019 ○ Award Recipient. Received third place in the Annual Dealmakers Awards in the category of Transaction Support by Deal Value.
- 2020 ○ Reporting Accountant. Performed Reporting Accountant duties in a merger and acquisition transaction for Lighthouse Capital, valued at R4 billion.
- 2023 ○ Reporting Accountant. Performed Reporting Accountant duties in a Category 1 disposal transaction for Accelerate Property Fund, with a transaction value of approximately R550 million.

## DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Audit opinions on statutory audits
- Chairman of the corporate finance committee for Africa
- Member of the International corporate finance committee
- Valuations and due diligence reviews
- Leverage finance deals and management buy-outs
- Involved on the issue of tax opinions related to corporate finance deals
- Involved on an ongoing basis in networking with high profile individuals
- Involved in sell side mandates in order to find potential acquirers for deals
- Involved in buy side mandates to find opportunities as per the mandates