



OLIVER RONNY BASTIENNE

Managing Partner

Oliver is currently a Partner with ACM & Associates, and previously served as Country Senior Manager of EY Seychelles until its closure in August 2017. He is recognized for his strategic leadership, commitment to professional development, and advocacy for entrepreneurship and youth empowerment.

Passionate about strengthening financial accountability and transparency in Seychelles, Oliver is actively engaged in regulatory reform and capacity building within the audit industry. He leads a team of 28 professionals delivering services across Taxation, Advisory, Transactional, and Assurance. He has spearheaded strategic initiatives to align staff development with client needs and national priorities, fostered a culture of integrity, enthusiasm, and continuous learning, and advocated for reforms that enhance transparency and accountability in the Seychelles audit environment.

Previously, Oliver worked for EY London for five years in the Mining, Oil & Gas, and Utilities sectors, where he managed high-profile audit engagements and gained international exposure to global reporting standards and corporate governance frameworks.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2003- 2004	Xeros International Group, United Kingdom
2005- 2011	Ernst and Young London - Audit Manager
2011 to Present	ACM & Associates & EY Seychelles

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & LEADERSHIP ROLES

- Chairman, Seychelles Chamber of Commerce & Industry (since 2017)
- Chairman, Association of Seychelles Accountants (2015–2019)
- Chairman, Seychelles Business School Academy (since 2015)
- Chairman, Youth Entrepreneurship Board (2015–2018)
- Founder, Association of Young Entrepreneurs – Seychelles (AYES)
- Chairman, Beau Vallon Heat Basketball Club (since 2014)
- Board Member, Seychelles Licensing Authority (2015–2017)
- Board Member, Seychelles Trading Corporation (SOE)
- Board Member, Seychelles Conservation & Climate Adaptation Trust (SeyCCAT)
- Board Member, Agency for the Prevention of Drug Abuse & Rehabilitation (APDAR)
- Board Member, Central Common Cold Store (CCCS)
- Board Member, Air Seychelles Limited
- Councilor, Seychelles Chamber of Commerce (since 2015)
- Member, Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI)
- Member, Working Group on the Revision of the Seychelles Companies Act

DATE OF BIRTH

06-06-1981

ADDRESS

Anse Aux Pins, Seychelles

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

20+ years of experience in audit, assurance, taxation, and advisory services

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

- Secondary School Singapore (Bedok North) - GCE A LEVEL Mathematic B, English B & Physics A, Chemistry A
- Seychelles Polytechnic - Mathematics A, Chemistry A, Physics A
- Loughborough University, UK - BSc Accounting & Financial Management

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KEY CONSULTANCIES & SKILLS

- 2000
 - Provided foundational accounting support as part of ACM's early assurance team.
 - Assisted with the preparation of client financial statements and general ledger reconciliations.
- 2003
 - Supported pricing and financial analysis during a 15-month work placement.
 - Assisted in the evaluation of business proposals and performance reporting.
- 2005
 - Led audit engagements in the Mining, Oil & Gas, and Utilities sectors.
 - Performed SOX compliance testing and internal control evaluations for global clients including British Petroleum (BP). Conducted assurance services for the successful raising of \$350 million in bonds for a Swiss-listed mining company.
 - Participated in the IPO audit of Ferrexpo plc (Ukraine) and advised on financial reporting structures.
 - Supervised and coached multinational audit teams to ensure engagement quality and delivery.
- 2011
 - Served as Country Senior Manager, responsible for strategic operations and growth of the firm.
 - Directed the delivery of all service lines including Taxation, Advisory, Transactional, and Assurance.
 - Oversaw compliance with risk management and professional standards.
 - Facilitated firm integration under a strategic alliance with ACM & Associates.
 - Promoted local professional development and regulatory modernization within Seychelles' audit sector.
- 2017
 - Partner responsible for firm-wide leadership, strategy, and client service delivery.
 - Spearheaded initiatives aligning staff development with client needs and national economic goals.
 - Provided technical advisory for acquisitions in Austria, Hungary, and Seychelles, including leadership of due diligence teams.
 - Led assurance and transactional support for the acquisition of a hotel on Praslin Island, Seychelles.
 - Championed entrepreneurship development, mentoring emerging business owners through public and private programs.
 - Advocated for regulatory reform to enhance audit quality, transparency, and accountability across the Seychelles.

CORE SKILLS & AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Audit and Assurance of private and public entities
- Transaction advisory and due diligence
- Taxation and compliance strategy
- Business valuations and financial analysis
- Leadership and team development
- Regulatory reform and governance
- Entrepreneurship and youth development initiatives
- Strategic firm management and operational oversight
- Financial reporting under IFRS and SOX frameworks
- Stakeholder engagement and public representation