

Mark van Wyk

Head: Unlisted Investments

MERGENCE Investment Managers



Mark has specialised for over 17 years to become one of the leaders in providing institutional impact investments within Southern Africa. He was instrumental in developing Mergence as a pioneer impact investor when he joined in 2011. As portfolio manager of the Mergence Infrastructure & Development | Debt Fund, Mark obtained a 4-star gold rating for this fund from the Global Impact Investing Rating System (GIIRS) in 2015.

Mark's career includes development finance, structured finance, external auditing and property management experience. Prior to joining Mergence, he worked at Mettle Specialised Finance, establishing new wholesale debt funding relationships, performing due diligences, drafting business plans, financial modelling, liaison with funding partners and oversight of proprietary private equity investments.

Mark is a sought-after speaker on impact and infrastructure investments. Mark is also a guest lecturer at the UCT Graduate School of Business on topics of impact and responsible investing. In 2014, he received an ABSIP Award for Best Alternative Asset / Fund Manager.

Mark brings deep sincerity and commitment to South Africa's future in all that he does. In sourcing unlisted impact investments for his funds, he has been guided from the start by the diagnostic precursor report to the National Development Plan, thus ensuring that Mergence's impact investments have been aligned with badly needed national priorities.

Mark serve on the following industry bodies:

1. ASISA Responsible Investments Committee
2. ASISA Infrastructure Investment Committee
3. University of Cape Town Responsible Investment Committee

Qualifications

B Com, 1999, University of Western Cape

B Com (Hons), 2001, University of Natal

Chartered Accountant, 2005, South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA)

Member of Association of Black Securities and Investment Professionals (ABSIP)