



# Grant Thornton

An instinct for growth™

## Grant Thornton South Africa *fast facts*

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### Who we are

Grant Thornton South Africa roots can be traced back over 100 years to firms like Kessel Feinstein and Welby Steward. We are leaders in our chosen markets, providing assurance, tax, advisory and outsourcing services to dynamic organisations – listed companies, large privately held businesses and private equity-backed organisations. We also have significant capabilities in the public sector market.

### Our growth agenda

2013 was a bumper year of growth for Grant Thornton in South Africa. Mergers saw the Johannesburg and Cape Town offices effectively doubling their size and a new office was acquired in Southern Cape, launching our footprint in this area. Grant Thornton is now firmly positioned as the undisputed leader in the mid-tier market and the fifth\* largest auditing, tax, outsourcing and advisory firm in the country.

Looking forward we will continue to follow the lead of our global network and are determined that the right combination of organic growth, strategic investment and mergers and acquisitions will achieve our goal of doubling our size by 2015.

### Transformation

Grant Thornton in South Africa is committed to the upliftment and empowerment of previously disadvantaged individuals and actively accelerates the transformation process within the firm and ultimately the profession. Our mergers and acquisitions demonstrate our commitment to black economic empowerment with an objective to move forward in transforming Grant Thornton into a truly South African firm with black representation in leadership and ownership.

We are committed to the implementation and improvement of all seven elements of the B-BBEE scorecard. In particular - our active learnership programme provides financial assistance to students studying towards becoming chartered accountants; and our involvement in enterprise development initiatives includes mentorship and money to a broad range of recognised socio-economic development initiatives.

### Fast figures

	South Africa <sup>1</sup>	Global <sup>2</sup>
<b>Revenue</b>	R656.6 m	US\$4.7 b
<b>Partners and directors</b>	90	Over 2 800
<b>Personnel</b>	1100	Over 40 000
<b>Offices</b>	11	Over 700

<sup>1</sup>As at 13 January 2016

<sup>2</sup>As at 19 January 2015



*“Helping clients to unlock their potential for growth is core to our entire business – from the services we provide, to the way we deliver them, including the people we hire and how we talk about Grant Thornton.”*

**Deepak Nagar**  
National Chairman

### Where we are

Grant Thornton has a national presence with 11 offices - Bloemfontein, Cape Town, Durban, George, Johannesburg, Nelspruit, Polokwane, Port Elizabeth, Pretoria, Rustenburg and Somerset West.

### Africa

South Africa is a major force in Africa, alongside the other 23 member firms on the continent. We operate in Algeria, Botswana, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Guinea, Kenya, Libya, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Senegal, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

### How we work

We approach all assignments by combining international experience with local business and technical expertise. At Grant Thornton we pride ourselves on providing a partner-led service for all our clients.

### Our global organisation

Grant Thornton is one of the world's leading organisations of independent assurance, tax and advisory firms. Every Grant Thornton member firm helps dynamic organisations unlock their potential for growth by providing meaningful, forward looking advice.

Proactive teams, led by approachable partners in these firms, use insights, experience and instinct to understand complex issues for privately owned, publicly listed and public sector clients and help them to find solutions.

More than 40 000 Grant Thornton people, across 130 countries, are focused on making a difference to clients, colleagues and the communities in which we live and work.

### For more information visit

[www.gti.org](http://www.gti.org).

### International Business Centre (IBC)

Grant Thornton South Africa has an accredited IBC located in Johannesburg, which collaborates with all offices in South Africa. IBCs serve as the gateway to expert resources within the Grant Thornton global organisation to provide seamless service across borders. Our publication, *Establishing a presence in South Africa*, outlines our capabilities and is available on our website

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*“Our African footprint makes us ideally positioned to facilitate clients’ expansion plans into these countries.”*

**Deepak Nagar**  
National Chairman



### Women in leadership

Two years ago our global and South African 'Women in leadership' initiative was launched. We have 33 women in Grant Thornton South Africa who are in top decision-making positions. This equates to 31% of women in leadership compared to the South Africa national average of 26% and the global average of 24%.



*"I am proud of the number of South African women that are moving into top decision-making positions and I look forward to further progress in this regard."*

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### What we do

#### Audit

- external audit
- internal audit
- public sector

#### Tax

- corporate income tax
- customs and excise duty
- employees tax
- expatriate tax
- indirect tax
- international income tax
- personal income tax
- transfer pricing
- value added tax (VAT)

#### Advisory

- Asia business services - Africa
- B-BBEE verification and consulting
- business recovery services
- business risk services
  - corporate governance reviews
  - forensic investigations and litigation
  - performance audit
  - risk management
- ScamStop™ fraud reporting hotline
- corporate finance
  - capital markets
  - mergers and acquisitions
  - modelling
  - transaction advisory services including due diligence
  - valuations
- human capital and training
- information technology advisory
- international services, structuring advice and establishing a presence in South Africa
- strategy, development and planning, including infrastructure advisory
- sustainability and integrated reporting services

#### Public sector

- statutory audit
- internal audit
- clean audit
- risk and governance
- strategy, development and planning
- financial management solutions
- human capital and training

#### Outsourcing

- accounting
- estates administration
- payroll
- tax
- trusts administration

#### Sector specialisation

- financial services
- food & beverage
- manufacturing
- mining
- property
- tourism hospitality & leisure

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