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areas of expertise:

asset management project development strategic advice Nils Heckscher heads the African Consulting practice of the PKF hospitality group, based in Cape Town. Having started his career as a bell boy at the age of 18, hospitality is in Nils' DNA. After his training as a chef, stations followed in Paris, London, Johannesburg, and Cape Town.

Nils worked in every conceivable department to ensure an all-around background in the industry. In Paris, Le Warwick and Le Bristol were his places of work. During his three years in London, he worked at the Four Seasons – Inn on the Park, The Sheraton Belgravia and The Mayfair Intercontinental. After working at Johannesburg's Sandton Sun for three years, he continued – after a period back in Germany – at the Peninsula All-Suite-Hotel in Cape Town as Food & Beverage Manager and then as Deputy GM in charge of Rooms Division. In 1995, Nils took over the running of Winchester Mansions Hotel. During his 18-year tenure, Nils is proud to have achieved much acclaim for the now well-known four-star hotel as well as the other assets of the owners.

Nils has been involved with many industry bodies and chaired a variety of them over the years.