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Ministry of Information and
Communication Technology



9TH NATIONAL ICT SUMMIT

*Theme "Harnessing ICT for Inclusive Growth:
Digital Pathways to Reduce Unemployment
and Eradicate Poverty"*

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MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

HIGH LEVEL STATEMENT

Mandate

To lay the foundation for the accelerated use and development of ICT in Namibia and coordinate information management within the Government.

Vision Statement

To champion Information and Communication Technology for Socio-economic Development

Mission Statement

To create a dynamic, collaborative and progressive ICT environment through efficient service delivery that fosters access to information in a digital economy

Core values

Innovation: We endeavour to innovate by seeking new ideas and solutions that drives transformation in the ICT industry;

Meticulousness: We shall pay attention to detail, minimise errors and ensure thoroughness and careful execution of our duties at all time;

Proactiveness: We commit to embrace a forward thinking mindset, to plan and initiate solutions to tackle potential threats and prevent problems before they arise;

Agility: We shall be flexible, responsive and quickly adapt to changes to ensure rapid decision making in the fast-paced ICT industry at all times;

Commitment: We commit to be loyal and dedicated to our duties and uphold to take responsibility, accountability and persevere to deliver on our promises for high quality service to the nation; and

Transparency: We shall foster an atmosphere of open and honest communication that embraces free flow of information among employees and the public in order to enhance a culture of integrity and dialogue.

THE NATIONAL ICT SUMMIT IN BRIEF

Hundreds of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) experts and institutions will converge in Ongwediva for the 9th National ICT Summit scheduled to take place from the 12th - 16th October 2026. The Summit will be held under the Theme “Harnessing ICT for Inclusive Growth: Digital Pathways to Reduce Unemployment and Eradicate Poverty”.

The Summit creates a platform for the ICT industry to discuss trends and challenges facing the industry globally and in the country. ICT industry players use this platform to showcase ICT solutions and services. The Summit also exposes the youth to latest ICT development and accords them opportunity to present and showcase their latest innovations and inventions.

This Summit will define the roadmap for development and effective integration of technology, as well as the agenda for growing ICT for an inclusive society. It will position ICT as a vital tool in achieving Government’s main national priorities of economic growth and development towards the goals of poverty eradication and shared prosperity for all Namibians.

Mandate

To create a platform for the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) industry to discuss the trends and challenges facing the industry globally and in the country. To encourage ICT industry players to showcase their ICT solutions as well as to expose the youth to latest ICT trends.

Vision

To be the ICT Summit for all Namibians joining hands and live up to the image of ICT for all Namibians.

Mission

To be the main catalyst in empowering Namibians to be ICT professionals to be able to unlock the full potential of technology and human capital and deliver value to the citizens, visitors and investors, so that Namibia becomes a leader in ICT development in Africa.





Hon. Emma Inamutila Theofelus
Minister
MICT

Hon. Emma Inamutila Theofelus is a Namibian woman who serves as a Member of Parliament and the Minister of Information and Communication Technology in the Republic of Namibia. Before her appointment, Hon. Theofelus was always policy adjacent and was a Youth Activist around issues of gender, children's rights, and sustainable development and against youth unemployment.

She served as the Deputy Speaker of the Youth Parliament of the Republic of Namibia, Board Member of the National Council of Higher Education and the Junior Mayor of the City of Windhoek amongst other roles. Born and bred in Windhoek, Namibia, Hon. Theofelus holds an LLB Honours Degree from the University of Namibia where she served as Secretary General of the Student Union in her final year of study; she hold a Diploma in Business Management from Amity University and a Diploma in Afrikan Feminism and Gender Studies from the University of South Africa. She is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in ICT Policy and Regulation at the University of Witwatersrand.

Hon. Theofelus is awarded the Laureate in the Individual Category of the United Nations Population Award, 2022 and serves as a board member of the Leadership Council of Africa REACH. She has been recognised as the BBC 100 Most Influential Women in the World 2021, named as Avance Media 100 Most Influential Young Africans 2020 & 2021, named as the New African 100 Most influential Africans of 2020, Reputation Poll 100 Most Reputable Africans 2020 and named as the Emerging African Young Leader by the African Leadership Magazine 2022.

Hon. Theofelus is currently a council member of Nala Feminist Collective where she is championing digital justice on the African continent. She was further nominated for the One Young World Politician of the Year Award 2020 & in 2021. In her current role, Honourable Emma plans to better communicate the activities and programs of the Government of the Republic of Namibia, create a more digitally literate nation, increase access to the internet among Namibians and assist in preparing the Namibian nation for the 4th Industrial Revolution.



Hon. Wenzel Kavaka
Deputy Minister
MICT

Hon. Wenzel Kavaka is the newly appointed Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology and serves concurrently as the Regional Councillor for the Otjombinde Constituency in the Omaheke Region. Currently serving his second term as Councillor, he is among the 42 members of the National Council of Namibia representing the Omaheke Region.

Hon. Kavaka is a development-oriented leader committed to ensuring universal access to essential services for all Namibians, with a particular focus on underserved rural communities. His vision centers on expanding reliable access to water, sanitation, electricity, healthcare, education, and digital connectivity, while simultaneously fostering sustainable local economic opportunities. He believes that empowering rural communities through infrastructure development and inclusive growth is essential to curbing rural-urban migration and strengthening every region of Namibia.

With 14 years of experience as an educator, Hon.Kavaka brings a strong foundation in leadership, community engagement, and human development. He advocates for inclusive, community-led planning processes, strategic collaboration between government and the private sector, and data-driven investment to improve livelihoods and create resilient communities. Driven by a passion for equitable development and public service, Hon. Kavaka continues to champion policies and initiatives that promote social progress, regional empowerment, and sustainable national development.



Ms. Linda Nakale
Executive Director
MICT

Linda Nakale is a highly experienced professional with a strong background in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) and Public Management.

She serves as the Executive Director in the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology. Prior to her appointment, she served as the Director of Information and Communication Technology Development in the same Ministry from May 2016 which she joined on 01 November 2011 as Deputy Director of Information Technology Infrastructure Development.

Prior to this, from September 2004 to October 2011, Nakale worked at the Office of the Prime Minister as an Efficiency Analyst and Chief Efficiency Analyst. Nakale's career in the Namibian public service started in January 2000 in the then Ministry of Home Affairs when she joined as the Human Resources officer until August 2004.

She holds a Master's Degree in Leadership Development in ICT and the Knowledge Society from the University of Mauritius, a Graduate Diploma in Leadership Development in ICT and Knowledge Society from Dublin City University, Ireland, and a B-Degree in Public Management from the University of South Africa and a Diploma in Public Administration from the then Polytechnic of Namibia.

Nakale served as a Council member of the Namibia University of Science and Technology from 2016-2019, representing the government where she gained experience on corporate governance.

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS



HOST AND SPEAKER

Dr. Halima Letamo
representative of ITU Area Office
 Southern Africa

Dr. Halima Letamo heads the area office for Southern Africa of the International Telecommunications Union, an UN specialised agency for telecommunications and ICTs. She is a seasoned ICT professional with over 27 years work experience. In this role, Dr. Letamo provides strategic direction to the work of the ITU in the region, focusing on supporting member states and engaging ministers and heads of ICT regulatory authorities on the acceleration of digital transformation, the rollout of broadband infrastructure and connectivity, digital safety and security, digital public infrastructure, spectrum and satellite orbit assignments, as well as emerging technologies, innovation ecosystems, ICT policy and regulation, and emergency telecommunications. This role includes close collaboration with other UN agencies' country and regional directors, overseeing the execution of ITU's mandate within the broader UN programmatic deliverables in twelve Southern African countries. Dr. Letamo also engages with regional associations, CRASA and SATA, and co-chairs for SADC secretariat on SADC ICT Thematic group.

Dr. Letamo has managed global initiatives aimed at the implementation of the ITU capacity development portfolio, focusing on advanced skills development as well as ICT literacy and basic digital skills development for underserved communities. Dr. Letamo's achievements include facilitation of the World Summit on the Information Society Action line C4 driving global policy dialogue and capacity development on topics such as AI, e-Applications, e- health, e-agriculture, e-learning, ICT policy and regulation, spectrum management and emergency telecommunications, among others. She has also worked for UNESCO and the Botswana Government in various capacities. She has experience in the implementation of resource mobilisation strategies, change management, project management for development organisations, and strategic management.

She holds several professional certifications in addition to a Doctorate in Education Leadership from Concordia University Chicago, USA, where her research focused on the design of educational technologies; a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Botswana Open University, Masters Degree in Education; and a bachelor's Degree in Demography and Environmental Science, covering Remote Sensing and Geographical Information Systems, both from the University of Botswana.

HOST: HIGH LEVEL FIRESIDE CHAT

Topic: Digital Pathways to Prosperity: Practical Investment and Collaboration

Speaker Plenary: Topic: AI and Automation: Policy frameworks to protect low-income workers from job displacement caused by Artificial Intelligence and Automation.



GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Mbangula Lameck Amugongo
**Technologist, Researcher, and Artificial
Intelligence (AI) Expert**

Mr. Mbangula Lameck Amugongo is a Namibian Technologist, Researcher, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Expert with more than 13 years of experience spanning the telecommunications, academic, and pharmaceutical sectors. He is currently based in Germany, where he serves as a Senior AI Advisor, developing and applying advanced AI techniques to address complex challenges in healthcare. Prior to this role, Mbangula was a Lecturer at the Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST), where he taught courses in Data Science, AI, and Software Engineering. He also worked at the Institute for Ethics in AI at the Technical University of Munich, conducting research on trustworthy and ethical AI applications in healthcare. Mbangula holds a PhD in Cancer Sciences from the University of Manchester, where his research focused on applying advanced analytics and AI techniques to medical imaging data to support personalised cancer treatment for patients undergoing radiotherapy. He also holds a Bachelor's degree in Software Engineering, a Bachelor (Honours) in Software Development (Cum Laude), and a Master's degree in Computer Science from NUST.

Passionate about leveraging technology for societal impact, he is a strong advocate for coding, digital skills development, and the responsible adoption of emerging technologies to drive sustainable development and improve lives.

HOST: HIGH LEVEL FIRE SIDE CHAT

Topic: Harnessing ICT: Practical Models for Job Creation and Growth (Speakers: Huawei, Telecom, MTC, Green Enterprise Solutions and CRAN.

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Invited Speakers



HOST: PANEL DISCUSSION

Topic: National AI Policies and the Institute.

Prof. Dr. Anicia Peters
Chief Executive Officer

National Commission on Research, Science and Technology (NCRST)



Topic: ICT applications in agriculture, food security, and rural economic empowerment.

Prof. Attlee M. Gamundani

Associate Professor, Cybersecurity| Faculty of Computing and Informatics

Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST)



Topic: Social Engineering.

Ms. Cornelia Shipindo

Executive, Cybersecurity Incident Response Team

Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia (CRAN)



Topic: Leveraging ICT for Telemedicine, Early Warning Systems and Emergency Response: Governance, Data Sovereignty and Trust in Namibia's Digital Health Ecosystem.

Dr. Tuwilika Nafuka
Namibian Medical Doctor and Chevening Scholar (2025/2026)



Topic: Empowering Citizens Through Digital Financial Literacy: Building Trust and Participation in Namibia's Digital Economy.

Ms. Loise Katanga
Senior Economist: Financial Sector Development
Bank of Namibia



Topic: Digital Water: Leveraging ICT for Reliability, Inclusion and Growth.

Mr. Hosea Hashili
Maintenance Manager
Water Corporation Ltd (NamWater)



Topic: E-ID as a Catalyst for Inclusive Growth: Unlocking Digital Pathways to Job Creation and Poverty Reduction.

Ms. Amanda K. Serumaga
Resident Representative
UNDP



Topic: One Digital Agenda; From Policy to Platform.

Ms. Anna Amoomo-David
Namibian Internet governance and ICT professional
Internet Society /NamIGF



Topic: Mapping how ICT adoption is transforming employment in Namibia: Trends and Statistics, 2016–2025.

Ms. Linda Shitenga
Manager: Welfare and Labour Statistics
Namibia Statistics Agency(NSA)



Topic: Extending Digital Access: Leveraging Postal Infrastructure to Bridge Namibia's Digital Divide for Economic Growth.

Mr. Rodney Shivangulula
Head of Payment Solutions
Namibia Post Limited(NamPost)



Topic: Empowering Citizens Through Digital Financial Literacy and Digital Payments: Making it Practical.

Ms. Claudia Nikanor
Head: Operations
Instant Payments Namibia



Topic: Cybersecurity awareness month, Theme: "Don't Make It Easy for Them".

Mr. Ernst Khachab
JD: Junior Empowerment Specialist & Cybersecurity Enthusiast
Salt Essential IT



Topic: Driving Innovation, Trust and Inclusive Growth.

Dr. Anna Anghuwo-lita

Chairperson of Electronic Information System Management Advisory Council (EISMAC)



Topic: Turning Data into Job Creation Using Power BI, Power Apps and Copilot to Identify and Create Digital Opportunities.

Mr. Sam Aghogho Samuel Agbaluwa

Microsoft Certified Trainer, Digital Transformation & Data Analytics Specialist, ICT Skills & Cybersecurity Professional,

Harold Pupkewitz Graduate School of Business, Namibia University Science Technology



Topic: AI and Autonomous Networks are transforming the telecommunications industry.

Mr. Shaun Young

Head of Africa,
P3 Communications



Topic: AI Radio Access Network.

Mr. Grant Chivandire
CTO & Head of Technology for Mobile Infrastructure
Sub-Saharan Africa, Nokia



Topic: Governing the Rails of Digital Transformation: An EGIT Framework for Turning TransNamib's Modernisation into Inclusive Growth.

Mr. Ruben Francisco
Executive: Technology & Innovation Institution
TransNamib

Masters of Ceremonies

Day 1 & 2



Ms. Delila Katanga



Mr. Neville Basson

Day 3 & 5



Mr. Simon Idipo



Ms. Josephine Mwashindange

Day 4



Ms. Rachel Nghimulitete



Ms. Matty Kaminzi

**9th NATIONAL ICT SUMMIT
&
PROPOSED SIDE MEETINGS
PROGRAMME**

Programme: 9th National ICT Summit 2026

Day 1: 12 October 2026

Directors of ceremonies: Ms. Delila M.H Katanga & Mr. Neville Basson

Time	Venue	Activity
08:00 – 08:30	Foyer	Arrival and registration of delegates
08:30 – 09:00	Plenary	All delegates and invited guests seated
09:00 – 09:20	Plenary	Speaker: Ms. Linda Nakale, Executive Director, Ministry of ICT Topic: Unpacking 9th National ICT Summit theme and Expectations of the Summit
09:20 - 09:40	Plenary	Speaker: Ms. Claudia Nikanor - Head: Operations, Instant Payments Namibia Topic: Empowering Citizens Through Digital Financial Literacy and Digital Payments: Making it Practical
09:40 – 10:30	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Ruben Francisco, Executive: Technology & Innovation Institution; Transnamib TOPIC: Governing the Rails of Digital Transformation: An EGIT Framework for Turning TransNamib's Modernisation into Inclusive Growth.
10:30 – 10:40	HEALTH BREAK AND EXHIBITION STALL VISIT (QUEEN HALL)	
10:40 – 11:15	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Shaun Young, Head of Africa, P3 Communications Topic: AI and Autonomous Networks are transforming the telecommunications industry

11-15 – 11:40	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Michael Shuufeni Vice President of Internet Society Chapter of Namibia Topic: One Digital Agenda; From Policy to Platform
11:40 – 12:30	Plenary	HIGH LEVEL FIRESIDE CHAT Topic: Harnessing ICT: Practical Models for Job Creation and Growth Host: Dr. Mbangula Lameck Amugongo- Namibian Technologist, Researcher, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Expert Guests: Ms. Lovisa Shilongo, Manager: Business Strategy & Transformation, Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia (CRAN); Ms. Hannah Han, Vice President, Huawei Southern Africa Multi-Country Region; Mr. Melkisedek Hamakali, Digital Transformation Team Lead, Green Enterprise Solutions; Ms Vivian Bernice Mieke, Senior Manager: FMC Core & Wireless Access, Telecom; Dr. Monica Nehemia, Chief Technical & Information Officer, Mobile Telecommunications Company (MTC)
12:30-13:00	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Rodney Shivangulula, Head of Payment Solutions, Namibia Post Limited (NamPost) Topic: Extending Digital Access: Leveraging Postal Infrastructure to Bridge Namibia's Digital Divide for Economic Growth

13:00 – 14:00		LUNCH AND EXHIBITION STALLS VISIT (QUEEN HALL)
14:00 – 14:40	Parallel Session Venue-A	Speaker: PowerCom Topic: TBC
14:00 – 14:40	Parallel Session Venue-B	Speaker: Mr. Klaus von Kries, Fritz! Gmbh-German Topic: Building Digital Trust-Security, Continuous Software and Intelligent Connectivity
14:00 – 14:40	Parallel Session Venue-C	Speaker: Mr. Werner Shilunga, Managing Director, Demshi Investment Holdings (Pty) Ltd Topic: Open Access Fibre Networks: Enabling Namibia's Digital Economy
14:00 – 14:40	Parallel Session Venue-D	Speaker: Mr. Alex Mungai, Country Manager, Yango Namibia RideTechnology Global FZ-LLC (YANGO Namiba) Topic: Digital Mobility as a Catalyst for Namibia's Digital Economy
14:40 - 15:20	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Mufaro Nesongano, Executive of Communication & Consumer relations, Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia (CRAN) Topic: Overview of Namibia's Public Key Infrastructure Framework – DigiNam
15:20 - 15:50	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Enzo Fu, Managing Director, Huawei Technologies Topic: Digital pathways to equity: powering smart education through universal ICT connectivity in Namibia

15:50 - 16:20	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Kayembe Ilunga, General Manager, Fintech & Maris Executive Director, MTC Topic: Introduction to MTC Maris
16:20 - 16:40	Plenary	Speaker: Ms. Vivian Bernice Mize, Senior Manager, FMC Core & Wireless Access, Telecom Topic: Building Namibia's Digital Foundation: How Broadband Infrastructure Drives Inclusive Growth, Jobs, and Economic Opportunities
16:40 - 17:00	Plenary	Speaker: Ms. Audrey Chanakira, Lead Artificial Intelligence Division, Green Enterprise Solutions Topic: Just Because We Can Use AI, Should We? Our Data, Their Intelligence?
End of day 1		

Day 2: 13 October 2026

Director of ceremonies: Ms. Delila M.H Katanga & Mr. Neville Basson

Time	Venue	Activity
07:00 – 08:10	Foyer	Arrival and registration of delegates and invited guests
08:10 – 08:20	Plenary	All delegates and invited guests seated
08:20 – 08:25	Plenary	Arrival of all invited dignitaries
08:25-08:30	Plenary	Arrival of Hon. Hofni lipinge , Governor of Oshana Region
08:30 - 08:35	Plenary	Arrival of Hon. Emma Theofelus , Minister of ICT-Namibia
08:35 – 08:45	Plenary	Singing of the National and AU Anthem Lead by Mweshipandeka SSS
08:45 – 09:00	Plenary	Welcoming Remarks: Hon. Hofni lipinge, Governor of Oshana Region
09:00 – 09:15	Plenary	Performance: Mweshipandeka SSS
09:15 -09:30	Plenary	Introduction of the Guest Speaker: Masters of Ceremony
09:30 – 09:50	Plenary	Guest Speaker Address: Dr. Mbangula Lameck Amugongo, Namibian Technologist, Researcher, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Expert based in German

09:50 – 10:30	Plenary	Speaker: Ms. Cornelia Shipindo, Executive, Cybersecurity Incident Response Team; Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia TOPIC: Social Engineering
10:30 -10:40	Plenary	Introduction of the Key Note Speaker: Masters of Ceremony
10:40 – 11:10	Plenary	Key Note Address: Hon. Emma Theofelus, Minister of ICT- Namibia
11:10 – 11:30	Plenary	Performance: Mweshipandeka SSS
11:30 – 11:50	Plenary	Vote of Thanks: Her Worship Naemi Amuthenu, Mayor, Ongwediva Town
11:50 – 12:00	Plenary	Singing of the AU and National Anthems Lead by Mweshipandeka SSS
12 :00 – 12:20	Photo Booth	GROUP PHOTO
12:20 – 12:30	Queen hall	Ribbon cutting and touring of exhibition stalls: Hon. Emma Theofelus, Hon. Hofeni Iipinge, Her Worship Naemi Amuthenu, Dr. Mbangula Lameck Amugongo and all Dignitaries
12:30 -14:00	LUNCH AND EXHIBITION STALLS VISIT (QUEEN HALL)	

14:00 -14:50	Plenary	HIGH LEVEL FIRESIDE CHAT Topic: Digital Pathways to Prosperity: Practical Investment and Collaboration Host: Dr. Halima Letamo, ITU Area Representative for Southern Africa, ITU Area Office for Southern Africa Guests: Hon. Emma Theofelus, Minister of ICT-Namibia; H.E. Katja Kalamäki, Ambassador of Finland to Namibia; Mr. Mindaugas Glodas, CEO, NRD Companies (Lithuania); Dr. Victor Ryan, SPVs Chairman, Investment Bank of Africa (IBA)
14:50 -15:30	Parallel Session Venue-A	Speaker: Mr. Conroy Feris, Manager: IT & Circulation, New Era Publication Corporation Topic: Harnessing ict for inclusive growth
14:50 -15:30	Parallel Session Venue-B	Speaker: Namibia Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) Topic: TBC
14:50 -15:30	Parallel Session Venue-D	Speaker: Mr. Charles Quenton, English, Lead Utilities System Green Enterprise Solutions Topic: Smart Utility Systems
15:30 -15:50	Plenary	Speaker: Ms. Amanda K. Serumaga, Resident Representative, UNDP Topic: E-ID as a Catalyst for Inclusive Growth: Unlocking Digital Pathways to Job Creation and Poverty Reduction

15:50-16:20	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Grant Chivandire, CTO & Head of Technology for Mobile Infrastructure, Sub-Saharan Africa, Nokia Topic: AI Radio Access Network
16:20-16:40	Plenary	Speaker: Ms. Linda Shitenga, Manager: Welfare and Labour Statistics, Namibia Statistics Agency(NSA) Topic: Mapping how ICT adoption is transforming employment in Namibia: Trends and Statistics, 2016–2025
END OF DAY 2 PROGRAMME		
18:00-22:00	Networking dinner: Dress Code theme: “Gala & Kicks” Dress to impress, a suit, gown, or tux. Break the rules with your favorite sneakers	

Day 3: 14 October 2026

Director of ceremonies: Mr. Simon Idipo and Ms. Josephine Mwashindange

Time	Venue	Activity
08:30 – 09:00	Foyer	Arrival and Registration
09:00 – 09:30	Plenary	Speaker: Dr. Halima Letamo, Representative of International Telecommunication Union, Area Office for Southern Africa Topic: AI and Automation: Policy frameworks to protect low-income workers from job displacement caused by Artificial Intelligence and Automation
09:30 – 10:00	Plenary	PANEL DISCUSSION TOPIC: National AI Policies and the Institute. Host: Prof. Dr. Anicia Peters, Chief Executive Officer, National Commission on Research, Science and Technology (NCRST) Guest: Ms. Jacobina Nampila, General Manager of ICT, NTA; Ms. Rauna Kaushuule Nekomba-Researcher, and Information Technology Specialist-IUM; Dr Gabriel Nhinda, Senior Lecturer: Informatics, Faculty of Computing and Informatics, NUST; Fenni Jambeko Shatsilika, National Project Officer ICT in Education, UNESCO
10:00 – 10:20	HEALTH BREAK	
10:20 - 10:50	Plenary	Speaker: Namibia Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) Topic: TBC

10:50 - 11:20	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Hosea Hashili Maintenance Manager, Namibia Water Corporation Ltd (NamWater) Topic: Digital Water: Leveraging ICT for Reliability, Inclusion and Growth
11:20 - 11:40	Plenary	Speaker: Mrs. Helvy Shaanika, Managing Editor of New Era, New Era Publication Corporation Topic: Media as a Development Partner: Harnessing Digital Transformation for economic empowerment in Namibia
11:40 – 12:10	Plenary	Speaker: Dr. Tuwilika Nafuka, Namibian Medical Doctor and Chevening Scholar (2025/2026) Topic: Leveraging ICT for Telemedicine, Early Warning Systems and Emergency Response: Governance, Data Sovereignty and Trust in Namibia's Digital Health Ecosystem
12:10 -12:40	Parallel Session Venue-A	Speaker: Bridget Rieth, Manager: Economics and Market Development, Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia(CRAN) Topic: Setting E-Hailing Right: A Regulatory Approach for Namibia

12:10 -12:40	Parallel Session Venue-B	Speaker: Robert Ngonga, Solutions and Product Manager, Huawei Technologies Topic: Smart Schools for Equal Opportunities: Deploying Cloud-Based Curriculums to Eradicate Educational Poverty in Rural Namibia
12:10 -12:40	Parallel Session Venue-C	Speaker: Mr. Immanuel Tuyapeni, IT Engineer Security, Telecom Topic: Connecting Communities: ICT Infrastructure as a Driver of Inclusive Development.
12:40- 13:00	Plenary	Speaker: Ms. Anna Anghuwolita, Chairperson of Electronic Information System Management Advisory Council(EISMAC) Topic: Driving Innovation, Trust and Inclusive Growth
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00 - 14:40	Plenary	PANEL DISCUSSION Topic: ICT applications in agriculture, food security, and rural economic empowerment Host: Prof. Attlee M. Gamundani, Associate Professor, Cybersecurity Faculty of Computing and Informatics, Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST) Guest: Ms. Ester Amwaalwa, Agricultural Technician, Correctional Services and NYS, Mr. Twamanguluka Maxwell Nghidinwa, Acting Farm Manager, Sikondo Green Scheme Irrigation, Kavango West, Mr. Michael N Amushembe, Senior Superintendent, Namibian Correctional Service

14:40 - 15:20	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Ernst Khachab, JD: Junior Empowerment Specialist & Cybersecurity Enthusiast, Salt IT Topic: Cybersecurity awareness month, Theme: "Don't Make It Easy for Them"
15:20 -15:40	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Sam Aghogho Samuel Agbaluwa, Microsoft Certified Trainer, Digital Transformation & Data Analytics Specialist, ICT Skills & Cybersecurity Professional, Harold Pupkewitz Graduate School of Business, Namibia University Science Technology Topic: Turning Data into Job Creation Using Power BI, Power Apps and Copilot to Identify and Create Digital Opportunities
15:40 - 16:30	Plenary	PANEL DISCUSSION TOPIC: Content piracy is a threat to Namibia's broadcasting and content ecosystem Host: Mr. Roger Gertze, Country Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Executive Board Member Multi Choice Guest: Mr. Chistof Maletsky, CEO, New Era Publication; Radio Energy, NBC
16:30 -17:10	Parallel Session Venue-A	Speaker: Mr. Leonard Nangolo Akathingo, Founder iTransfer Namibia Founder – Edu-Pull Topic: Popya Mobile

16:30 -17:10	Parallel Session Venue-B	Speaker: Mr. Simeon H. Shilongo, Managing Director of Mango Ride Investment (Pty) Ltd, Topic: Digital services platform connecting customers and businesses to transport, logistics, e-commerce,
16:30 -17:10	Parallel Session Venue-C	Speaker: Ms. Loise Katanga - Senior Economist: Financial Sector Development, Bank of Namibia Topic: Empowering Citizens Through Digital Financial Literacy: Building Trust and Participation in Namibia's Digital Economy.
16:30 -17:10	Parallel Session Venue-D	Speaker: Mr. Anton Felisberto August, Royal Mane Investment CC Topic: SolveNam- practical solutions, connecting opportunities and building partnerships that contribute to entrepreneurship and economic development
END OF DAY 3		
18:00 -20:30	NAMIBIA FILM SCREENING	
	Queen Hall	18h30: Connection Family (25min) 19h00: Okuruwo PG (27min) 19h30: Echoes of Omusati Family (110min)

YOUTH DAY PROGRAMME:**Day 4: 15 October 2026****Director of ceremonies:** Ms. Rachel Nghimulitete and Ms. Matty Kaminzi

Time	Venue	Activity
08:00 – 08:30	Foyer	Arrival and registration of delegates and invited guests
08:30 – 09:00	Plenary	All delegates and invited guests seated
09:00 – 09:15	Plenary	Arrival of all invited dignitaries
09:15 – 09:30	Plenary	Arrival of Hon. Wenzel Kavaka Deputy Minister of ICT
09:30 – 09:40	Plenary	Arrival of the Guest Speaker-TBC
09:40 -10:00	Plenary	Arrival of Hon. Hofni lipinge Governor of Oshana Region
10:00 -10:15	Plenary	Arrival of Hon. Emma Theofelus Minister of ICT
10:15 -10:30 OFFICIAL PROGRAMME OF YOUTH DAY		
10:30 – 10:40	Plenary	Singing of the National and AU Anthem Lead by Gabriel Taapopi SS
10:40 – 11:00	Plenary	Welcoming Remarks: Hon. Wenzel Kavaka, Deputy Minister of ICT
10:40 – 11:00	Plenary	Guest Speaker Address: T B C
11:10 -11:30	Plenary	Keynote Address Hon. Emma Theofelus, Minister of ICT
11:30 -12:00	Plenary	Speaker: Mr. Edward Nepolo, Head of the Computer Science Department, Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST) Topic: Overview of Youth Exhibition and Hackathon
12:00 -12:15	Plenary	Performance: Gabriel Taapopi SSS
12:15 -12:30	Photo Booth	GROUP PHOTO

12:30 -13:00	Queen Hall	Touring and Visiting Youth Exhibition stalls: Key note Speaker and all dignitaries
END OF OFFICIAL PROGRAMME		
14:00-14:40	Plenary	PANEL DISCUSSION TOPIC: From digital skills to digital jobs: Harnessing ICT for the inclusive employment entrepreneurship and economic opportunity Moderator: Dr. Anna N.Namwandi, Campus Deputy Director: International University of Management, Ongwediva Panelists: Mr. Zembi Mbakunguna, Analyst Programmer, Ministry of Finance; Ms. Sonja Coetzer, Managing Director, Salt Essential IT; Mr. Paulus Tshiningayamwe, Director, Information Technology, Bank of Namibia; Ms. Vivian Bernice Mieke, Senior Manager, FMC Core & Wireless Access, Telecom Namibia; Hon. Evilastus Kaaronda, Member of Parliamentarian Standing Committee on ICT, National Assembly
14:40-15:30	Plenary	Presentations: Youth Innovation-All Innovators
15:30-16:00	Plenary	Questions and comments to all the candidates
16:00-17:00	Plenary	Speakers: NAM-CSIRT in collaboration with NUST Topic: One-Day Masterclass: Cyber Incident Handling, Response and Crisis Communication
END OF DAY 4		
18:00 -20:30	NAMIBIA FILM SCREENING	
	Queen Hall	18h30: One More Win PG (27min) 19h00: Emanyia PG13 (29min) 19h30: Die Rooftog PG13 (44min)

HACKATHON DAY PROGRAMME**Day 5: 16 October 2026****Director of ceremonies:** Mr. Simon Idipo &
Ms. Josephine Mwashindange

Time	Venue	Activity
08:00-09:00	Foyer	Arrival & Registration
09:00-09:15	Plenary	All delegates and invited guests seated
09:15-09:30	Plenary	Arrival of invited dignitaries (MPs, Governors, Councilors and Mayors)
09:30- 09:45	Plenary	Performance: lipumbu SSS
09:45-10:00	Plenary	Motivational Speaker: Hon. Fenny Tutjavi, Member of the Parliament of Namibia
10:00-10:20	Plenary	Cyber Awareness Game: Namibia University of Science and Technology
10:20 -11:00	HEALTH BREAK	
11:00-11:40	Plenary	Presentations: Hackathon (Pitches and demonstrations from the hackathon participants), group 1 and 2
11:40-12:00	Plenary	Questions and Answers
12:00-12:15	Plenary	Performance: lipumbu SSS
12:15 -12:40	Plenary	Presentations: Hackathon (Continuation of pitches and demonstrations from the Hackathon participants) Group 4 and 5
12:40 -13:00	Plenary	Questions and Answers
13:00-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00 -15:00	Plenary	Awards and Certificates Giving: Hon, Emma Theofelus, Minister of ICT; Hon. Wenzel Kavaka, Deputy Minister of ICT;
15:00-15:20		Vote of Thanks: Her Worship Etuhole Phillemon, Junior Mayor, Ongwediva Town
15:20 -15:30		GROUP PHOTO- PREPARATORY COMMITTEE
15:30 - 15:45		Singing of the AU and National Anthems Lead by liPUMBU SSS

END OF THE 9TH NATIONAL ICT SUMMIT

PROPOSED SIDE MEETINGS PROGRAMMME**9TH National ICT Summit 2026****12–16 October 2026****Venue: Hotel Etuna, Ongwediva****Contact points: Ms. Aili Nevonga@ 0812821247 / Mr. Kennedy Tjongarero @0817823238**

Date	Time	Institution -Namibia	Meeting Requested by
Monday, 12 October 2026	15:00–15:40	Ministry of Finance Delegation, NamRA & Bank of Namibia	NRD Companies- Lithuania – Joint Side Meeting
Monday, 12 October 2026	16:00 -16:30	Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security delegation	NRD Companies- Lithuania – Bilateral Meeting
Monday, 12 October 2026	16:30 -17:00	Open Slot	
Tuesday, 13 October 2026	15:00 –15:25	Office of the Prime Minister	Bawulas Group -SA
Tuesday, , 13 October 2026	15:25–16:50	Minister of Information and Communication Technology & NamPost Delegation	NRD Companies- Lithuania – Joint Side Meeting

Date	Time	Institution -Namibia	Meeting Requested by
Tuesday, , 13 October 2026	15:50–16:10	Minister of ICT and MICT delegation	Dr. Victor Ryan, Chairman, Investment Bank of Africa (IBA) SPVs
Tuesday, , 13 October 2026	16:10–16:30	Minister of ICT and MICT delegation	NRD Companies- Lithuania – Bilateral Meeting
Tuesday, 13 October 2026, 18:00- 22:00 2026, Networking Gala Dinner			
Wednesday, 13 October 2026	15:00–15:30	Ministry of Defense and Veterans Affair Delegation	Bawulas Group -SA
Thursday, 15 October 2026	12:00–13:00	Business and Intellectual Property Authority (BIPA) delegation	NRD Companies- Lithuania – Bilateral Meeting
Thursday, 15 October 2026	14:30–15:00	Open Slot	
Thursday, 15 October 2026	15:00–15:40	Open Slot	
Thursday, 15 October 2026	16:00 -16:30	Open Slot	
Thursday, 15 October 2026	16:30 -17:00	Open Slot	
Friday, 16 October 2026	Official Closing		

PLATINUM SPONSORS



COMPANY PROFILE

Overview



BI Dynamics is a tech company that specializes in tech enabled solutions. BI Dynamics Pty Ltd was established in October 2012 in Windhoek, Namibia. The primary purpose of the business is to provide high quality ICT services and management consultancy with a focus in providing Business Intelligence and Data Management Consultancy. The company consists of seasoned ICT specialists who have vast experience in the ICT sector. As such the company has grown to be a leader in the provision of a variety of ICT services.

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PRINCIPLES

MISSION

To transform the African enterprise' decision making process through the provision of innovative, best in class decision support systems.

VISION

To be Africa's definitive providers of Data Management, Business Intelligence & analytics related solutions.

OUR VALUES

- 01 Integrity
- Leading change 02
- 03 Excellence
- Innovation 04
- 03 Learning & Sharing

TEAM

Staff

BI Dynamics Pty Ltd has a policy of employing only the brightest, dynamic and innovative minds. We seek out individuals who are highly qualified and are able to add immense value to our clients. BI Dynamics has built its firm foundation through a robust training and mentorship program aimed at aligning individual competences with the service excellence that the organization is renowned for. We firmly believe that our success is determined by our staff, they make our company the reputable IT specialist organization it is today.

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Management

BI Dynamics acknowledges the individual in each of its staff members, including those in management, but it is as a unit that the BI Dynamics managerial team subscribes to the following principles:

- An abiding dedication to IT product, service excellence & global best practices;
- A sincere commitment to making clients happy & genuine respect for transparency and integrity.

In addition to this, BI Dynamics management is made up of engaging and experienced personnel who are easily able to build long-term relationships with both current and prospective clients.

Strategic Partnerships

BI Dynamics understands the value of having string partners to deploy best in class services and has therefore partnered some of the industry powerhouses.



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EMPOWERMENT PROFILE

At BI Dynamics we are committed to creating a workplace in which individual differences are valued and all employees have the opportunity to contribute to the achievement of business objectives, as part of an environment in which everyone is treated fairly and with respect. As a conscientious employer, the strategic objective is to have individuals from previously disadvantaged groups represented in different fields at all organizational levels. This can only be accomplished with pro-active participation, to create a situation where all employees can equally compete, on the basis of merit, for available opportunities.

OFFERINGS

Strategic Consulting

So, whether it's time to review your IT and data governance strategy design, evaluate new technology, design architecture, process redevelopment, event support services, manage the deployment of new technology or understand IT best practice, we offer vendor-independent advice to make it happen.

Infrastructure and Application Solutions

Your business deserves customized solutions that are able to maximize profits. We address your needs ranging from:

- Operating platforms, unified communications & messaging
- End-to-end security management
- Storage offerings
- Virtualization strategies and Unified Networking



HARDWARE

- Communications equipment (landline phones (including VoIP), modems, routers, switches, and wireless broadband devices);
- Computing equipment (laptops, desktops, and keyboards);
- Electronic equipment (printers, scanners, and copiers);
- Fiber optic equipment; and;
- Self Service Kiosks
- Biometric scanners
- Hardware services, such as maintenance

With BI Dynamics' guidance, our clients are steered through the steps of the process, whether it be the entire project or a series of business enablers, equipping you with infrastructure, applications and services that enhance your ICT environment.

SOFTWARE AND SERVICES

BI Dynamics Pty Ltd offers a managed element with every type of service we deliver, taking responsibility for selected IT services and managing the delivery of those services in their entirety, supported by a 24-hour Service Desk. This offering:

- Automates & consolidates IT requirements and reduces costs
- Increases IT service levels by increasing security, availability and reliability
- Increases the capabilities of IT-enabling organizations to work effectively &
- Reduces the effort required to manage, operate & maintain IT infrastructure.



PAST PROJECTS

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- Intranet and Extranet Systems
- Software Support Agreements
- IBM Solutions
- Microsoft Solutions
- Content Management Systems;
- Call Center Systems;
- Intranet and Extranet Systems
- Online Booking Management Systems
- Online E-Commerce Systems
- Online Learning Management Systems
- Customer Experience
- Event Management

CLOUD COMPUTING SERVICES

- Email as a Service
- Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)
- Software as a Service

ICT SERVICES

- Consulting services;
- Business Process Design and Management
- Data center services;

Data Management Services;

- Business Intelligence and Data Warehousing;
- Specializing in Oracle, SQL Server, Greenplum, Elastic Search
- Hadoop, Apache Spark
- IBM Cognos, Kibana, Tableau, PowerBI,
- Talend Data Integration, Pentaho, JasperSoft
- Implementation services;

IT Service Management;

- Enterprise Architecture;
- Maintenance and support;
- Systems and Process re-engineering;
- Training;

IT Security;

- Cyber Security
- IT Auditing

PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT

BI Dynamics Pty Ltd range of support services is able to optimize our client's ICT environment by providing 24-hour cover, permanent on-site staff, on-call staff and remote support with the expertise you require against a defined Service Level Agreement (SLA).

SERVICE DESK

The BI Dynamics Pty Ltd call center is staffed with knowledgeable, friendly and patient call center agents who are contactable at any time throughout the year. For telephonic support, troubleshooting or network administration, clients can either request a remote call or





Ms. Emilia Nghikembua
Chief Executive Officer
Communications Regulatory
Authority of Namibia



COMPANY PROFILE

The Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia (CRAN), established under section 4 of the Communications Act, 2009 (Act No. 8 of 2009), stands at the centre of Namibia's digital transformation agenda. While rooted in its mandate as the national communications regulator, CRAN's role has evolved beyond traditional regulation to encompass the development of a secure, inclusive, and trusted digital ecosystem. Through strategic mandates extending beyond traditional regulation, including the administration of the Universal Service

Fund (USF), its role as Namibia's Public Key Infrastructure Certification Authority (PKI CA), and the operation of the Namibia Cyber Security Incident Response Team (NAM-CSIRT), CRAN is actively advancing digital inclusion, enabling trusted digital transactions, strengthening national cyber resilience, and fostering the growth of Namibia's digital economy. These expanded responsibilities position CRAN not merely as a regulator, but as a digital ecosystem builder and a key enabler of Namibia's digital future.



BREAK-AWAY SPEAKER

Mr. Mufaro Nesongano
Executive: Communication & Consumer Relations
CRAN

Mufaro Nesongano is a communications and strategy executive with a passion for helping organisations build trust, strengthen their reputation, and create meaningful connections with the people they serve. Over the years, I have worked across strategic communication, stakeholder engagement, consumer relations, and leadership, with a strong interest in innovation and digital transformation. I believe great communication goes beyond campaigns. It shapes decisions, drives change, and creates impact.

TOPIC: “Who Regulates the Disruptors? Technology’s Challenge to Traditional Governance Models”

SYNOPSIS

Synopsis: Examining how digital innovation is reshaping traditional industries and what policymakers and regulators must do to remain responsive in a rapidly evolving technological landscape.



SPEAKER

Ms. Lovisa Shilongo
Manager: Business Strategy and Transformation
 CRAN

Lovisa Shilongo is a Strategy and Transformation Leader with over 15 years of experience shaping strategy, digital transformation, regulatory governance, and institutional performance across Namibia's ICT, public sector, financial services, and competition regulation environments. She currently serves as Manager: Business Strategy and Transformation at the Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia (CRAN), where she leads institutional strategy development, strategic foresight, enterprise performance management, and strategic portfolio governance to strengthen organisational alignment, resilience, innovation, and the delivery of long-term priorities.

With a multidisciplinary background spanning ICT regulation, competition economics, development finance, and public sector transformation, Shilongo has contributed to advancing Namibia's digital development agenda through evidence-based strategy, regulatory innovation, policy advisory, and initiatives that promote

digital inclusion, sustainability, and economic participation. At a regional level, she represents Namibia within the Communications Regulators' Association of Southern Africa (CRASA), serving as Chairperson of the Strategic Planning Committee, where she provides strategic leadership in advancing regional priorities, strengthening regulatory collaboration, and supporting alignment among communications regulators across Southern Africa.

Recognised for her ability to bridge strategy, technology, policy, and execution, Shilongo brings a unique perspective on navigating digital transformation, evolving regulatory landscapes, and building future-ready institutions. She holds a Master of Commerce in Development Finance from the University of Cape Town, a Bachelor of Economics Honours Degree from the University of Namibia, and professional certifications in Balanced Scorecard and KPI Management.

TOPIC: The Role of Telco in Enabling Digital Transformation and Artificial Intelligence

SYNOPSIS



SPEAKER

Ms. Bridget Rieth
**Manager: Economics and Market
Development**
CRAN

Bridget holds an MBA, EMDP, B. Econ (Hon), PGDE, B. Econ).

She is an economist with over a decade of experience in competition regulation, research, stakeholder engagement and policy development. Responsible for leading economics and market research within the communications sector, informing evidence based regulatory decisions, monitor market competition and driving initiatives that support sustainable economic growth and development.

WHO WE ARE

The **Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia (CRAN)** regulates telecommunications, broadcasting, postal services and radio spectrum, while working to protect consumers and expand access to communication services.

As Namibia's digital landscape evolves, CRAN is strengthening the foundations for a **secure, connected and inclusive digital economy**, supported by initiatives such as the **Universal Service Fund, NAM-CSIRT and DigiNam**.



Emilia Nghikembua
Chief Executive Officer

OBJECTIVES AND STAKEHOLDER VALUE

CRAN works to create a communication environment that **protects consumers, encourages innovation and expands access** to digital services across Namibia.

Through initiatives such as **USF, NAM-CSIRT and DigiNam**, CRAN is expanding connectivity, strengthening cybersecurity and building digital trust. Together, these efforts support **government, businesses, service providers and consumers** as Namibia moves towards a more secure, innovative and digitally enabled future.



Tanswell Davies
Executive: Governance,
Risk & Compliance



Elton Witbooi
Executive: ICT



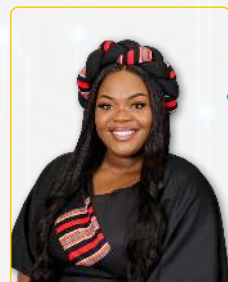
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Executive: Communication &
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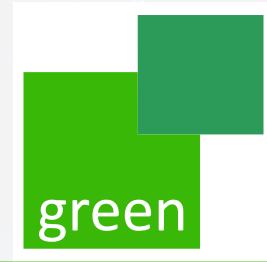


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Mr. Kehad Snyderwel
Managing Director
Green Enterprise Solutions (Pty)
Ltd



COMPANY PROFILE

Kehad Snyderwel serves as Managing Director (MD) of Green Enterprise Solutions (Pty) Ltd (Green), a prominent Namibian ICT firm recognised as a leader in digital transformation across the region. With over 23 years of experience in the IT sector, Mr. Snyderwel has successfully directed significant projects encompassing data centre solutions, software development, cybersecurity, and artificial intelligence adoption for both governmental and corporate clients. He also chairs the Media, Post & ICT Industry Skills Committee for Technical and Vocational Education and Training

(TVET) in Namibia. Mr. Snyderwel holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Healthcare Leadership from the University of Stellenbosch Business School, along with a Postgraduate Diploma in Business Management Administration and a Diploma in Information Technology. Beyond his responsibilities at Green, he is actively engaged in fostering leadership, mentorship, and skills development, viewing these efforts as essential drivers for Namibia's future advancement.



SPEAKER

Mr. Melkisedek Hamakali
**Team Lead: Artificial Intelligence
Division, Windhoek
Green Enterprise Solutions**

Melkisedek Hamakali is a Software Engineer and Digital Transformation Team Lead at Green Enterprise Solutions in Windhoek, where he has spent over eight years leading full lifecycle software development, cloud deployment and data analytics

initiatives for government and corporate clients across Namibia. He served on Namibia's National Artificial Intelligence Technical Advisory Committee (2026).

TOPIC: The Role of Telco in Enabling Digital Transformation and Artificial Intelligence

SYNOPSIS



SPEAKER

Ms. Audrey Chanakira
Team Lead: Artificial Intelligence Division,
Windhoek
Green Enterprise Solutions

Audrey Chanakira is the Team Lead of the Artificial Intelligence Division at Green Enterprise Solutions in Windhoek, where she provides the technical and strategic direction for the organisation's AI capabilities, solutions, and innovation agenda.

She began her career at Green as an iOS Developer, progressing into a leadership role where she led a multidisciplinary team spanning software engineering, design, and delivery. In 2025, she was selected as an Afrika Kommt! Fellow, joining SAP SE headquarters in Walldorf, Germany, as an Application Developer in Experience Technology. During her time at SAP, she served as a Product Owner on enterprise cloud projects and explored emerging technologies in spatial computing, including applications of Apple Vision Pro.

Following her international experience, Audrey returned to

Green with a mandate to establish and lead its AI Division from the ground up. Her work focuses on translating emerging AI technologies into practical enterprise solutions, while helping organisations navigate AI adoption, automation, intelligent agents, and digital transformation.

Audrey holds an MSc and BSc in Information Technology from the University of Namibia. She is also a Google Women Techmakers Ambassador and Board Member for Sub-Saharan Africa, supporting greater representation and participation in technology across the region.

Her TEDx talk, "If You're Not Into AI, Then AI Is Definitely Into You," has further established her as an emerging voice on artificial intelligence and its implications for Africa, making complex AI developments accessible and relevant to a broader audience.

TOPIC: Just Because We Can Use AI, Should We? Rethinking AI Adoption, Human Capability and Inclusive Growth in the Digital Economy

SYNOPSIS

Artificial Intelligence is rapidly becoming embedded in how we work, learn, create and make decisions. But as AI adoption accelerates, an important question is often overlooked: just because we can use AI, should we? This plenary challenges the assumption that greater AI adoption automatically translates into greater progress. It explores what happens when organisations and individuals adopt AI without understanding its implications, when convenience replaces capability, and when automation is prioritised without considering the people and communities it may leave behind. The session will examine how we can move beyond simply consuming AI towards building the skills, industries, businesses and human capabilities needed to ensure AI contributes meaningfully to employment, entrepreneurship, economic participation and inclusive growth.

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About Us

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empower organisations with innovative
ICT solutions that simplify operations,
improve efficiency and enable smarter
business.

What Sets Us Apart

- ✓ Experience & Leadership
- ✓ People-Focused Approach
- ✓ Sustainability Commitment
- ✓ Continuous Innovation

*Our long-term vision aligns with Namibia's
national development frameworks, including
the Harambee Prosperity Plan (HPP), the
National Development Plan 6 (NDP 6),
and Vision 2030.*



Mr. Enzo Fu
Managing Director
 HUAWEI Telecommunication
 Technologies Namibia (PTY) LTD



COMPANY PROFILE

Introduction:

HUAWEI Telecommunication Technologies Namibia (PTY) LTD is a leading technology company that operates in the telecommunications and information technology (IT) industry. Established in Namibia, HUAWEI has gained a strong foothold in the market by providing innovative and cutting-edge solutions to meet the evolving needs of customers across various sectors. With a commitment to technological advancement and a customer-centric approach, HUAWEI Namibia has emerged as a trusted partner in the digital transformation journey of individuals, businesses, and organisations.

Company Overview:

HUAWEI Namibia is a subsidiary of HUAWEI Technologies Co. Ltd., a global leader in telecommunications and ICT solutions. The company was founded in 1987 and has since grown into a multinational corporation with a presence in over 170 countries. HUAWEI Namibia was established to cater to the unique requirements of the Namibian market. Since entering the Namibian Market in 2005, Huawei's aim has been to offer a comprehensive range of products and services that include enterprise solutions, cloud computing, carrier

networks, and Solar Energy Solutions.

20 Years in Namibia

Huawei Continuously Contributes to Digitalisation

In Namibia

US\$23+ million revenue, US\$1+ million tax

Namibia's first 4G network in 2012

Namibia's first 3G network in 2009

95% of 4G population coverage

75 %+ local staff

800+ jobs created indirectly

200+ students in the Seeds for the Future program

ICT training for 1,000+ people

Product and Service Offerings:

HUAWEI provides a diverse portfolio of products and services designed to meet the needs of consumers, enterprises, and telecommunication operators. The company's mobile devices division offers a wide range of smartphones, tablets, wearables, and other smart devices that combine cutting-edge technology with elegant design, providing users with a seamless digital experience.

In the enterprise solutions segment, HUAWEI Namibia delivers state-of-the-art solutions tailored to different industries such as finance, energy, transportation, and government.

These solutions encompass cloud computing, data centers, artificial intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), and enterprise networking, empowering organizations to enhance their operational efficiency, improve productivity, and drive innovation. HUAWEI Namibia's carrier network division focuses on providing end-to-end solutions for telecommunication operators, enabling them to build robust and reliable networks. The company's offerings include wireless networks, fixed networks, optical networks, and value-added services, all designed to support the ever-increasing demand for high-speed connectivity and digital services.

Commitment to Innovation and Research:

HUAWEI Namibia is committed to continuous innovation and investing in research and development (R&D) to stay at the forefront of technology. The company has established several R&D centers globally, fostering collaboration with world-class universities, research institutions, and industry partners. This commitment to innovation has resulted in numerous technological breakthroughs and patented inventions, reinforcing HUAWEI's position as a pioneer in the industry.

Corporate Social Responsibility:

HUAWEI Namibia recognises the importance of sustainable development and actively contributes to the local communities in which it operates. The company engages in various corporate social responsibility initiatives, focusing on education, environmental protection, and digital inclusion. HUAWEI Namibia strives to bridge the digital divide by providing

access to technology and promoting digital literacy, empowering individuals and communities to thrive in the digital era.

Conclusion:

Huawei Telecommunication Technologies Namibia (PTY) LTD is a foremost provider of ICT solutions and innovative technology that caters to the constantly changing needs of the Namibian market. Offering a wide range of services including enterprise solutions, cloud computing, and carrier networks, Huawei Namibia is devoted to enabling individuals, businesses, and organisations to achieve their digital transformation goals. Through a dedication to research, innovation, and corporate social responsibility, Huawei Telecommunication Technologies Namibia (PTY) LTD works closely with its local stakeholders and partners towards building a fully connected and intelligent Namibia.



Dr. Licky Erastus
Managing Director
Mobile Telecommunications limited



COMPANY PROFILE

Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTC Namibia) is Namibia's leading telecommunications and digital solutions provider, serving over 2.3 million active subscribers through the country's most extensive mobile network infrastructure. Since its establishment in 1994, MTC has evolved from a traditional mobile network operator into a technology-driven digital service provider, delivering advanced connectivity solutions that support national development, enterprise transformation, and emerging industrial sectors, including oil and gas.

MTC's network currently provides voice coverage to 98.1% of Namibia's population and 4G LTE coverage to 86.5%, enabling reliable communication services across urban, remote, and industrial environments. This extensive footprint positions MTC as a critical enabler of digital operations, workforce connectivity, data transmission, and business continuity for large-scale industries operating throughout Namibia.

The company's technological evolution has been marked by continuous investment in next-generation infrastructure. Key

milestones include the deployment of 3G services in 2006, the launch of 4G LTE in 2012, pioneering 4.5G trials in 2016, and the commercial deployment of 5G technology in 2025 following the allocation of spectrum in the 3500 MHz band. These advancements have strengthened MTC's capability to support high-bandwidth, low-latency applications, including Industrial IoT, smart infrastructure, remote operations, real-time monitoring, and advanced enterprise connectivity solutions. The introduction of eSIM technology in 2025 further enhanced digital service flexibility and device management capabilities.

Beyond mobile connectivity, MTC has expanded its technology portfolio to include enterprise cloud services, fibre connectivity, cybersecurity, data centre solutions, and digital financial services. Through these offerings, the company supports organisations in accelerating digital transformation while improving operational efficiency, resilience, and security. MTC's commitment to information security and operational excellence is reinforced by its achievement as the first Namibian company to attain certification in six ISO standards, including ISO 27001:2022.

MTC's innovation-led approach and contribution to Namibia's digital economy have earned both regional and international recognition. At the 2025 Brand Africa Awards, the company was named Most Admired African Brand in Telecommunications, Most Admired Namibian Brand, and Most Admired Namibian Brand for Doing Good for Society and the Environment.

Through continued investment in next-generation technologies and digital innovation, MTC remains committed to enabling Namibia's industrial transformation and contributing to sustainable economic growth.



SPEAKER:

Dr. Monica Nehemia
Chief Technical and information officer
Mobile Telecommunications Limited



SPEAKER:

Mr. Kayembe Ilunga
General Manager, Fintech & Maris
Executive Director
Mobile Telecommunications Limited

TOPIC: Introduction to MTC Maris.

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Ms. Menesia Muinjo
Director General
Namibian Broadcasting
Corporation (NBC)



COMPANY PROFILE

MANDATE:

- To Inform and entertain the public of Namibia.
- To contribute to the education and unity of the nation, and to peace in Namibia.
- To provide and disseminate information relevant to the socio-economic development of Namibia
- To promote the use and understanding of the English language.]

VISION:

To provide 100 per cent network connectivity to all the Namibian people on all NBC platforms through cost-effective broadcasting technologies.

The NBC was established in line with the Namibian Broadcasting Act, Act 9 of 1991. In terms of this act the NBC is a juristic person. Its main source of funding is an annual state subsidy. Other sources of income are the sale of air time and programs, the issuing of yearly television licenses and the renting out of transmitters.

Being a recipient of state subsidies, the NBC is accountable in the first instance, to its line Ministry, the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology, and in the second instance to the Namibian Parliament, which in turn represents the Namibian people.

The Ministry of Information and Communication Technology tables and accounts for the NBC's budget in Parliament.

In accordance with the Broadcasting Act, the NBC has to submit its financial statements and accounts for auditing by the office of the Auditor-General on a yearly basis. In addition, each year before the tabling of the budget in the National Assembly the NBC Board has to furnish its line ministry with a report on its work during the previous financial year, together with a balance sheet and a complete statement of its revenue and expenditure for the preceding financial year.

The affairs of the NBC are supervised and controlled by the NBC Board of Directors. This board is appointed by the Minister of Information and Communication Technology for a period of five years.

The NBC Board, in turn, appoints a Director General. This Director General, the chief executive officer, is a member of the Board; he is, however, not entitled to exercise a vote at board meetings. The Director General, as per the Broadcasting Act, exercises control and supervision over the other officers and employees of the NBC and performs the duties and functions assigned to him/her by the NBC Board.



Mr. Mindaugas Glodas
Chief Executive Officer
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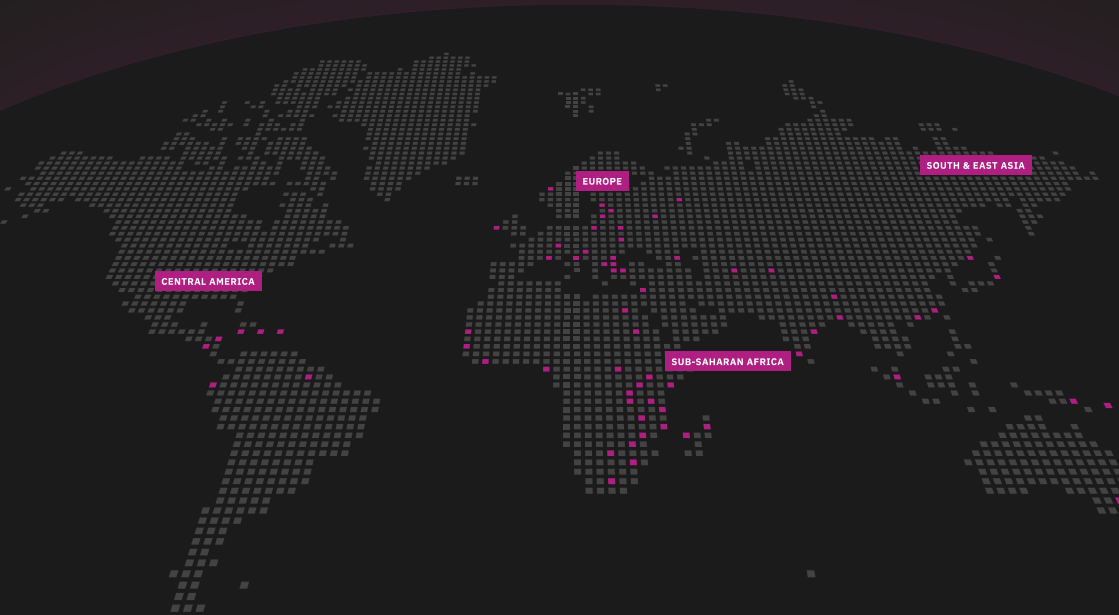


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Mr. Christof Maletsky
Chief Executive Officer
New Era Publication Corporation



COMPANY PROFILE

WHO WE ARE

The New Era Publication Corporation was established through the New Era Publication Corporation Act, Act No.1 of 1992 with the main objective of providing information services through the New Era newspaper across Namibia and manage the Corporation according to generally accepted business principles.

The New Era newspaper was launched as a weekly in 1991 and in the second half of 1996, the Corporation started publishing a Monday edition as well before later changing to a daily. The newspaper provides well-researched and in-depth news and feature articles on political, socio-economic, cultural, governmental and developmental issues of national, regional and international significance.

NEPC's mandate itself represents a great challenge, because it is often expected that news be affordable and on-the-go for audiences far and wide. The Corporation continued facing challenges in terms of printing and distribution, which is an integral part of our strategy. We had to find innovative ways to keep up with evolving technological challenges.

WHAT WE DO

The operational mandate of the New Era Publication Corporation is to provide objective and factual information service by compiling and publishing a newspaper, the New Era, in the English language as well as in the different indigenous languages of Namibia; to lay special emphasis in the said newspaper and to report on –

- community-related issues, particularly such issues as may be of importance in the rural areas of Namibia;
- issues of national interest;
- government related matters which may concern the community;

To distribute the distribute New Era newspaper nation-wide and to manage the Corporation according to general business principles.

The newspaper lays special emphasis on reporting on community-related issues, especially as they relate to the rural areas of the country, matters of national interest as well as government-related issues, which may concern the community.

The newspapers' widely distributed products reach the most remote parts of the country, thus providing its readers and advertisers with insight into happenings in all 14 regions of Namibia through its regional bureaux. Apart from daily coverage in Oshiwambo, who besides English, form the majority of our readership, New Era also features four indigenous languages, namely Otjiherero, Khoekhoegowab, Silozi and Rukwangali. They are published on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. This has a direct reach across the country, penetrating marginalised communities and are extremely popular with our readers.

NEPC also has advanced content management with its digital and social media platforms with interactive features from readers. The content is synchronised between the Websites and Social Media platforms and is complemented with free interactive Mobile Apps, for both iOS and Android devices. In addition, NEPC offers newspapers to subscribers.

VISION

To be the preferred integrated media house by 2028

MISSION

To provide accessible, accurate content and high-quality services to our stakeholders

VALUES

Integrity
Service Excellence
Innovation
Empowerment

**SPEAKER:**

Ms. Helvy Shaanika
Managing Editor
New Era Publication Corporation

Helvy Shaanika is the Managing Editor at New Era Publication Corporation. With over 20 years of experience in journalism and media, she has built a career grounded in editorial excellence, strategic leadership and a commitment to public-interest journalism.

Throughout her professional journey, she has acquired a deep understanding of the evolving media landscape and the role of journalism in informing, educating and empowering society.

In her current executive position, she provides leadership and strategic direction to the organisation, overseeing content development, editorial planning and New Era's broader digital transformation efforts. She is particularly passionate about strengthening traditional media through innovation, audience engagement, revenue diversification and the integration of digital platforms into newsroom operations.

Shaanika holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Strategic Management, as well as a Bachelor of Arts degree in Media Studies and Industrial Psychology, among other qualifications.

As a media leader, she is committed to fostering a culture of accountability, innovation, collaboration and continuous professional development. She believes in developing young

journalists, embracing emerging technologies and ensuring that Namibian stories are told with authenticity.

Being a member of the NEPC family, Helvy strives to position the Corporation as a dynamic, sustainable and future-ready media organisation that remains responsive to the information needs of Namibian communities.

TOPIC: The Media as a development partner: Harnessing Digital Transformation for economic empowerment in Namibia

SYNOPSIS

As Namibia continues to navigate unemployment, poverty and economic inequality, the media has an opportunity to play a more active role in the country's socio-economic development. New Era as a national public media institution, recognises that its role can extend beyond reporting on economic challenges to using its platforms reach and information resources to help connect Namibians with opportunities. This presentation explores how digital transformation can enable the media to become a development partner by turning information into practical economic value. It examines how New Era is leveraging its digital platform empower communities by connecting them to jobs, entrepreneurship opportunities, markets, skills, financial information, government programmes and other resources that can improve livelihoods. The presentation will further consider how media organisations can collaborate with government, and the private sector, to create digital information ecosystems that support economic participation, particularly among young people and underserved communities. Ultimately, the presentation proposes a shift from viewing the media solely as an information disseminator to recognising it as an enabler of opportunities, inclusion and economic empowerment.

**SPEAKER:**

Mr. Conroy Feris
Manager: IT & Circulation
 New Era Publication Corporation

Conroy Feris is a seasoned Namibian information technology professional and IT Manager/ Systems Administrator at the New Era Publication Corporation

Professional Career

Feris has spent over two decades managing IT operations and digital infrastructures in Windhoek, Namibia: IT Manager / Systems Administrator: He has led the IT infrastructure at the state-owned New Era Publication Corporation since August 2004.

Junior Systems Engineer: Before his long-standing tenure at New Era, he worked at Nedbank from November 2000 to July 2004. **IT Technician:** He began his professional IT journey at PC Centre (Pty) Ltd, serving from January 1999 to October 2000.

Industry Contributions & Advocacy

Beyond operational IT administration, Feris actively engages with national cybersecurity strategies. He was a featured presenter at the 7th National ICT Summit in Namibia, where his presentations focused on the critical intersection between the media and cybersecurity. He advocates for public awareness and collaborative defences to protect national critical information infrastructure, aligning his efforts with Namibia's Cybersecurity Strategy and Awareness Creation Plan. He frequently emphasizes that cybersecurity is a shared social

responsibility rather than just an isolated IT problem.

Core Competencies

His specialized tech experience focuses on enterprise system administration, database maintenance, networking infrastructure, and cybersecurity frameworks tailored to digital media distribution and publication continuity.

Topic: Harnessing Ict For Inclusive Growth

SYNOPSIS

The presentation highlights how ICT can be harnessed as a driver of inclusive economic growth in Namibia, using the New Era Publication Corporation (NEPC) as a practical example of digital transformation. It demonstrates NEPC's transition from a traditional print newspaper to a multi-platform digital media organisation, through ePaper, mobile distribution systems, cloud technologies, online content, AI innovation and digital media production. These technologies have improved operational efficiency, expanded access to information and created opportunities for digital skills development, content creation, entrepreneurship and employment.

The presentation further highlights the role of AI, data analytics, digital skills, remote work and cybersecurity in creating a more inclusive digital economy. NEPC's AI Hackathon and collaboration with tertiary institutions demonstrate how young Namibians can gain practical experience and develop technology solutions to real-world challenges.

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COMPANY PROFILE

About Telecom Namibia

Telecom Namibia Limited is Namibia's national telecommunications operator and a 100% state-owned enterprise at the forefront of the country's digital transformation journey. Since its establishment in 1992, the Company has evolved from a traditional fixed-line telecommunications provider into a leading Information and Communication Technology (ICT) company, delivering a comprehensive portfolio of fixed, mobile, broadband, data, cloud and digital solutions to individuals, businesses and government institutions across the country.

As a key enabler of national development, Telecom Namibia continues to align its strategic objectives with Namibia's Vision 2030, the National Development Plans, the Harambee Prosperity Plan and the country's Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) aspirations. Through its Integrated Strategic Business Plan (ISBP 2027 and Beyond), the Company is making significant investments in advanced technologies and modern telecommunications infrastructure

to support economic growth, digital inclusion and sustainable development. Telecom Namibia owns and operates one of the country's most extensive telecommunications networks, comprising a nationwide fibre-optic backbone, fixed and mobile broadband infrastructure, international connectivity platforms and digital service delivery systems. The Company continues to expand Fibre-to-the-Home (FTTH) services, modernise its mobile network, strengthen cybersecurity capabilities and prepare its infrastructure for emerging technologies such as 5G.

Telecom Namibia's nationwide digital network spans the entire country and comprises more than 13,000 route-kilometres of metro and national fibre infrastructure, over 500 Ethernet and Internet Protocol/Multi-Protocol Label Switching (IP/MPLS) Points of Presence, 228 digital destinations, and more than 300 towers for fixed wireless and mobile services, operated through its subsidiary, Powercom (Pty) Ltd. This extensive infrastructure enables the delivery of reliable voice, broadband, data and ICT services to

households, businesses, government institutions and communities across Namibia. Through investments in global submarine cable systems, including SAT-3/WASC, WACS, SEACOM and the Google Equiano Cable, Telecom Namibia provides reliable international connectivity and positions Namibia as an emerging regional digital gateway and connectivity hub for Southern Africa. These strategic investments enhance access to global markets, digital services and cloud-based technologies while supporting regional integration and economic competitiveness.



SPEAKER:

Ms. Vivian Bernice Mize
Senior Manager: FMC Core & Wireless Access
Telecom Namibia

Bernice Vivian Mize is a telecommunications engineering professional with extensive experience in the planning, deployment, operation, and modernization of telecommunications networks. As Senior Manager: FMC Core & Wireless Access at Telecom Namibia, she oversees critical network infrastructure domains, including Fixed-Mobile Convergence (FMC), mobile core networks, Radio Access Networks (RAN), and wireless access technologies. Her career spans transmission networks, DWDM, MPLS, mobile and fixed network infrastructure, network operations, and technology transformation initiatives, giving her a strong blend of technical expertise and leadership experience.

Topic: Building Namibia's Digital Foundation: How Broadband Infrastructure Drives Inclusive Growth, Jobs, and Economic Opportunity

SYNOPSIS

As nations increasingly embrace digital transformation, broadband infrastructure has become a fundamental enabler of economic development, social inclusion, and national competitiveness. For Namibia, the expansion of reliable and affordable broadband connectivity presents a unique opportunity to unlock economic growth, bridge the digital divide, and empower citizens and businesses to participate fully in the digital economy. This presentation explores the critical role telecommunications infrastructure plays in driving Namibia's development agenda. It will highlight how investments in fiber networks, wireless broadband, mobile technologies, and rural connectivity solutions are creating new opportunities for entrepreneurship, innovation, education, healthcare, and public service delivery. The presentation will also examine how robust digital infrastructure supports job creation, attracts investment, and strengthens the country's position in an increasingly connected global economy.

Drawing on practical industry experience and current developments within the telecommunications sector, the discussion will address the challenges and opportunities associated with expanding broadband access across urban and rural communities. Particular emphasis will be placed on the importance of collaboration among government, regulators, operators, technology partners, and other stakeholders in achieving universal connectivity and ensuring that no Namibian is left behind. The session will conclude with a forward-looking perspective on the future of broadband, digital inclusion, and next-generation networks, emphasizing the strategic role that telecommunications infrastructure will play in shaping Namibia's economic resilience and long-term prosperity.

**SPEAKER:**

Mr. Immanuel Tuyapeni
IT Engineer: Security
Telecom Namibia

With over 17 years of experience in the Information Technology Industry, I am analytical, organized, and a technically detail-oriented Information Technology expert. I hold a Master's in Business Administration MBA, a bachelor's degree in computer science and economics from the University of Namibia, a graduate diploma in business administration PGDBA from the University of Namibia, as well as

a Certificate in Project Management through the University of Stellenbosch and Certified in Cyber Security ISC2.

Topic: Connecting Communities: ICT Infrastructure as a Driver of Inclusive Development.

SYNOPSIS

In this session, we will explore how reliable, affordable, and accessible ICT infrastructure can connect people, communities, and businesses to opportunities in the digital economy. ICT infrastructure serves as a catalyst for economic development and employment creation by enabling small and medium-sized enterprises to access new markets, adopt digital payment systems, participate in e-commerce, and leverage cloud services.

Improved connectivity also supports digital entrepreneurship, innovation and the development of new technology enabled industries. By investing in inclusive and resilient ICT infrastructure, communities can overcome geographical barriers, unlock new economic opportunities, and ensure that no one is left behind in the digital transformation

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Speaker: Breakaway

Mr. Werner Demululila Shilunga
Executive Director and Founder
Demshi Investment Holdings (Pty)



COMPANY PROFILE

Demshi Investment Holdings (Pty) Ltd (Demshi Telco) is a leading Namibian Fibre Network Operator (FNO) committed to expanding open access digital infrastructure that connects communities, empowers businesses, and accelerates Namibia's digital transformation. Established in 2015, the company designs, builds, owns, and operates open-access fibre optic infrastructure that enables Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to deliver reliable, high-speed broadband services across the country.

Demshi specialises in the deployment and management of Fibre-to-the-Home (FTTH), Fibre-to-the-Business (FTTX), dark fibre, backhaul connectivity, network installation, maintenance, and network monitoring services. Through its wholesale open access model, the company provides fibre infrastructure on a non-discriminatory basis, allowing licensed ISPs to deliver broadband services efficiently while fostering competition, innovation, and greater connectivity throughout Namibia.

As part of its ambitious nationwide fibre rollout, Demshi has successfully deployed fibre infrastructure in Swakopmund, Walvis Bay, Windhoek,

Tsumeb and Rehoboth, achieving over 18,000 home passes and more than. By adhering to internationally recognised implementation standards and industry best practices, the company continues to deliver reliable, scalable, and future-ready telecommunications infrastructure that supports homes, businesses, government institutions, schools, healthcare facilities, and municipalities.

Driven by its mission to empower communities and businesses through world-class open access fibre infrastructure, Demshi is guided by the core values of innovation, customer focus, transparency, and community impact. The company is dedicated to delivering exceptional service, building trusted partnerships, and ensuring equal access to its infrastructure for all licensed ISPs, thereby promoting digital inclusion and sustainable economic growth.

By leveraging advanced fibre optic technologies and industry-leading practices, Demshi delivers resilient, secure, and scalable networks designed to meet the growing demands of Namibia's digital economy. The company is equally committed to responsible and

sustainable development, aligning its operations with Namibia's National Development Plans and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals to create lasting value for communities and stakeholders alike. Looking ahead, Demshi remains committed to expanding its Open Access Fibre Network across all 14 regions of Namibia, strengthening digital infrastructure and enabling

greater access to affordable, high-speed connectivity. Through strategic partnerships, continuous innovation, and investment in resilient telecommunications infrastructure, Demshi is helping build a digitally connected Namibia where businesses thrive, communities prosper, and opportunities are accessible to all.

TOPIC: Open Access Fibre Networks: Enabling Namibia's Digital Economy

SYNOPSIS

Digital connectivity is no longer a luxury, it is the foundation of economic growth, innovation, and inclusive development. As Namibia continues its digital transformation journey, open access fibre infrastructure has become a key enabler of affordable, reliable, and scalable broadband services. This presentation explores how Open Access Fibre Networks create opportunities for collaboration between infrastructure providers, Internet Service Providers (ISPs), government, and investors to accelerate broadband expansion while reducing deployment costs and eliminating unnecessary infrastructure duplication.

Drawing on Demshi Investment Holdings' experience as a Namibian Fibre Network Operator (FNO), the presentation will highlight practical lessons from deploying and managing open access fibre infrastructure, the importance of strategic partnerships, and the role of resilient digital networks in supporting businesses, public institutions, and communities. The session will also examine how open access models promote competition, encourage innovation, and contribute to bridging the digital divide, ultimately supporting Namibia's vision of a digitally inclusive and globally competitive economy. Attendees will gain valuable insights into the future of broadband infrastructure and the collaborative approaches required to build sustainable digital ecosystems that drive long-term national development.



Speaker: Breakaway

Mr. Klaus von Kries
Position
FRITZ! ICT



COMPANY PROFILE

Klaus von Kries has been with FRITZ! ICT since 1999 and has more than 25 years of experience in the international telecommunications industry. For the past 18 years, he has been working extensively with network operators and Internet service providers across Africa, supporting broadband deployments and helping operators deliver secure, reliable, and future-ready broadband services. His work combines commercial expertise with a solid understanding of network

technologies, enabling him to bridge the gap between business strategy and technical implementation.

His areas of expertise include fiber access technologies, managed Wi-Fi, network security, and carrier-grade device management. Throughout his career, he has focused on building long-term partnerships and translating complex technical challenges into practical, scalable solutions.

TOPIC: Building Digital Trust: Security, Continuous Software and Intelligent Connectivity

SYNOPSIS

What will differentiate broadband providers when speed is no longer enough? Can trust be engineered through technology? How do security, continuously maintained software and intelligent connectivity influence customer experience? And will Wi-Fi 8 change the way customers perceive their broadband service or simply reinforce what has always mattered most?

Rather than focusing on individual technologies, this session explores how security, open management standards and software innovation work together to build digital trust, reduce operational complexity and prepare broadband networks for the future.

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BUILDING DIGITAL TRUST

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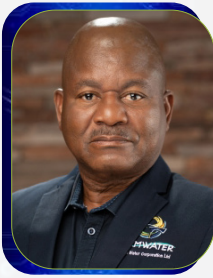
Intelligent connectivity



**When speed
is no longer enough,
trust becomes
the true
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Mr. Abraham Nehemia
Chief Executive Officer
 Namibia Water Corporation Ltd.
 (NamWater)



COMPANY PROFILE

The Namibia Water Corporation Ltd. (NamWater) was officially registered as a company on 9 December 1997. Its Head Office is situated at 176, Iscor Street, Northern Industrial Area, Windhoek. The company has offices and waterschemes in all the 14 political Regions of the country. NamWater is a commercialized water entity and is not privatized. The Government of the Republic of Namibia is the sole shareholder, represented by a Board of Directors.

The board ensures that NamWater utilizes the scarce water resources in the best interests of Namibia and the Namibian People. The Water Utility supplies water in bulk to Industries, Government Institutions, Municipalities, Local Authorities, Commercial Entities such as Mines and to the Directorate of water supply and sanitation in the Ministry of Agriculture Water and Forestry. The Directorate in turn supplies water to the rural communities. The company strives to recover the full cost of water supply and is committed to providing its customers with a reliable source of quality water at the affordable rates. In terms of article 100 of the Namibian

Constitution, land, water and natural resources belong to the State. The custody of these resources lies with Government and the responsibilities for the overall management of the national water resources cannot be divorced from the Government. With the incorporation of NamWater, Government will not lose control over the water sector.

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- Human Resources and Leadership Excellence
- Customer and Stakeholder Excellence
- Internal Business Processes excellence

OUR VISION

- Water For all, Forever

OUR VALUES

- We serve NamWater's interest first
- We are performance driven
- We build on our synergy
- We embrace diversity
- We are accountable
- We are different
- We are discipline



Speaker: Breakaway

Mr. Beatus Amadhila
Chief Executive officer
Powercom



COMPANY PROFILE

About Us

PowerCom (Pty) Ltd is a 100% subsidiary of Telecom Namibia. PowerCom operates under a comprehensive mandate to deliver quality telecommunications tower infrastructures and ICT solutions. The company's memorandum and articles of association define it as a leading Information and Communication Technology (ICT) entity, focusing on telecommunications infrastructure and solutions.

PowerCom has focused on constructing towers to support its operational license, granted under the Communications Act (No. 8 of 2009) by CRAN. This Class Network Facilities License designates PowerCom as a key infrastructure and ICT service solutions provider, empowering it to deliver essential equipment and services. PowerCom's business model is designed to facilitate seamless client integration onto its infrastructure. The company manages and boasts an extensive asset portfolio of over 350 towers, management of rooftops and third-party towers. This infrastructure supports a range of service providers and operators, allowing them to lease

tower space to enhance network coverage and service delivery. PowerCom plays a pivotal role in expanding telecommunications capabilities across Namibia.

Our Vision

To be a dynamic neutral network tower infrastructure and ICT solutions provider enabling the digital transformation of the Namibian people.

Our Mission

To provide innovative and sustainable network tower infrastructure and ICT solutions.

Our Values

The PowerCom organisational values are operationalized by the acronym, D.A.R.E. The acronym provides energy for the organisation to D.A.R.E to upset the status quo and positively transform the Namibian ICT sector.

D**> Driven**

We are driven to achieve the mandate set by the shareholder

A**> Agile**

We are flexible and proactive to adapt to environmental changes

R**> Reliable**

We strive to provide solutions that are consistent and predictable

E**> Ethical**

We conduct business in a manner that has integrity, transparent and professionalism

Service Pillars

Five service pillars that enable PowerCom services.

**1**

PowerCom acquires or leases land from private landowners, farmers, local authorities and communal Land Boards to construct towers known as passive infrastructure.

2

Towers are listed activities, thus PowerCom obtains Environmental Clearance Certificates from the Environmental Commissioner prior to construction of a communication tower.

3

The communication tower construction process comprises of civil works, erecting the tower structure and electrifying the site.

4

PowerCom onboards all CRAN licensed operators using a site sharing model. Operators install their active equipment on towers and provide services to their respective end users.

5

PowerCom conducts regular maintenance on all towers to ensure tower safety and asset longevity.



Mr. Alex Mungai
Country Manager
Yango Namibia

YANGO

COMPANY PROFILE

Yango is a global technology ecosystem that transforms advanced technologies into digital services designed to make everyday life easier. Operating across more than 30 countries, Yango combines global technology with local expertise to develop practical digital solutions that create everyday impact. Founded in 2018 with urban mobility at its core, Yango has evolved into a broader technology ecosystem spanning mobility, delivery, e-commerce, mapping, artificial intelligence, entertainment and other digital services. Its approach is guided by three principles: People First, Everyday Impact and Technology with Purpose.

YANGO IN NAMIBIA

In Namibia, Yango's mobility platform connects passengers with local transportation providers through technology. The platform uses digital mapping, navigation, real-time information and intelligent order-distribution technologies to make mobility more accessible and efficient. More importantly, digital mobility creates pathways for participation in the digital economy. Through the platform, driver-partners, fleet owners and transport businesses can access digital tools, customers and new

opportunities to grow their livelihoods and businesses.

TECHNOLOGY WITH PURPOSE

Yango believes technology should empower local businesses and people rather than replace them. Digital mobility can therefore serve as a gateway to wider digital participation — connecting people not only to destinations, but also to services, markets, income opportunities and entrepreneurship.

CONNECT

People, businesses and services

EMPOWER

Entrepreneurs and driver-partners

ENABLE

Participation in the digital economy

TECHNOLOGY WITH PURPOSE

Global technology. Local expertise. Everyday impact.

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IN NAMIBIA



CONNECT

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and communities
through technology.



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Entrepreneurs and
driver-partners with
access to opportunity.



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A more inclusive,
digital and prosperous
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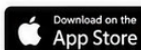
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Mr. Roger Gertze
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COMPANY PROFILE

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Mr. Shaun Young
Head of Africa
P3 communications



COMPANY PROFILE

About P3 group.

P3 group is an independent, owner-managed technology and management consulting group founded in 1996. With more than 2,000 experts across 48 offices on six continents, P3 partners with leading companies in automotive, telecommunications, energy, finance, logistics, defense and the public sector to solve complex technical and strategic challenges.

P3 Namibia. A P3 Company.

P3 Namibia supports telecommunications, energy, and infrastructure customers in Namibia and the surrounding region from its office in Windhoek. As Namibia develops its renewable energy potential and digital infrastructure, the team is positioned to support the country's sustainable development ambitions with technical and strategic expertise.

Speaker Info

As Head of Africa at P3 communications, Shaun Young is responsible for driving the company's strategic growth and client engagements across the continent. He works closely with telecom operators, regulatory bodies, and technology partners to address the evolving challenges of connectivity, network quality, and digital transformation. His experience across diverse African markets provides a valuable perspective on the opportunities shaping the region's ICT landscape.



COMPANY PROFILE

OUR GOAL VISION

Be the leading youth commercial radio media brand in Africa

WHO WE ARE MISSION

To provide a trusted and indispensable source of information, music and entertainment, while strengthening the civic and cultural life of the communities we serve.

WHAT WE STRIVE FOR COMPANY OBJECTIVES

To give listeners the most compelling radio listening experience possible. To be the most valued, vital and vibrant media, marketing and advertising service for our business associates



Mr. Wilson Shikongo
Director: Executive Accounts
 Twinrain Technologies Solutions (Pty) Ltd



COMPANY PROFILE

Who We Are

Twinrain Technologies Solutions (Pty) Ltd is a dynamic Namibian Enterprise IT Solutions Provider and ICT Consultancy, established in 2019 by a team of ambitious young Namibians. We combine industry expertise, innovative thinking and leading technologies to deliver reliable, scalable and business-focused ICT solutions. Our purpose is to help businesses and organisations navigate digital transformation, strengthen their technology environments and leverage ICT to achieve sustainable growth. We provide end-to-end, mission-critical technology solutions tailored to the unique operational and strategic requirements of our clients.

Our Vision

To be the leading ICT firm in Namibia and the SADC region, recognised for technological excellence, innovation and an unwavering commitment to superior customer satisfaction and business success.

Our Mission

To serve as a trusted ICT partner that drives the digital evolution of Namibian businesses and organisations. We deliver reliable, innovative and future-ready solutions

that exceed client expectations while enabling organisations to operate securely, efficiently and resiliently.

Our Services

Twinrain provides a comprehensive portfolio of ICT solutions, including:

- IT Support and Managed IT Services
- IT Consulting and Technology Advisory
- Software Development and Customised Solutions
- Network Infrastructure and Network Security
- IT Hardware Supply, Procurement and Maintenance
- Cloud Computing, Hosting and Storage Solutions
- Connectivity and Internet Services
- Cybersecurity and Digital Protection
- Training and Development

As a trusted Microsoft partner in Namibia, Twinrain has evolved from a leading software and licensing reseller into a broader cloud technology and digital transformation specialist.

What Sets Us Apart

Our competitive advantage lies in combining technical expertise, responsive customer service and innovative technology with a strong understanding of our clients' business needs. Our experienced team and resources enable us to deliver projects efficiently, on time and within budget.

We pride ourselves on providing an exceptional customer experience, maintaining transparent communication throughout every project and serving as a dependable technology partner long after implementation. With an EMEA regional footprint, we are positioned to support clients and technology environments beyond Namibia.

Our Competitive Value

Twinrain's proven track record, skilled team, comprehensive ICT capabilities and commitment to continuous innovation position us as a trusted partner for organisations seeking to modernise, secure and scale their technology environments.

We believe technology should empower business. By partnering with Twinrain, clients gain more than an ICT service provider — they gain a committed technology partner focused on enabling digital advancement, operational efficiency and sustainable growth.

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DATACOM TECHNOLOGY

COMPANY PROFILE

Overview

Datacom Technology is a leading technology solutions provider based in Namibia, specializing in customer support, network services, data center, enterprise software, cloud services, and cybersecurity, with a focus on delivering comprehensive networking, computing and storage solutions to private, public sectors and SOEs. Datacom has technical expertise in all the areas it operated and boost over 50 years combine experience in the ICT sector.

Our Mission

At Datacom Technology, our mission is to provide reliable and innovative network solutions that empower businesses to thrive in the digital age. We are committed to delivering exceptional service, from the initial consultation to ongoing support, ensuring that our clients' networks are secure, efficient, and scalable.

Core Services

- IT Infrastructure Design and Advisory
- IT Infrastructure Support and Maintenance
- Networking and Web Services
- Data Center and Cloud Services
- Cybersecurity
- Supply, Install and managing hardware and software

IT Infrastructure Design and Audit

Datacom Technology partners with clients to provide expert design, consultation, auditing, and advisory services to improve IT infrastructure.

We assess and report on the current state of the infrastructure, offering actionable recommendations for enhancement.

IT Infrastructure Support and Maintenance

Datacom offers Managed Services and Service Level Agreement (SLA): Datacom Technology provides managed services tailored to oversee and optimize IT infrastructure, ensuring compliance with local and international standards. We maintain IT infrastructure to achieve optimal security, reliability and performance.

Our managed services under SLA include Tiered Support: 1, 2 or 3-tiered support system that covers LAN, WAN, and security, ensuring comprehensive IT management.

- (a) IT Infrastructure Onsite Support
- (b) IT Infrastructure Remote Support
- (c) Onsite engineer or technician on fulltime or parttime basis
- (d) Onsite engineer or technician to second customer employee.
- (e) Service level Agreement (SLA).

Whether through the presence of engineers on-site or remote system support our flexible support model ensures quick resolution of IT issues. We use remote assistance through Teamviewer or AnyDesk to connect to customer computer, server and provide them with swift support and resolve issues. We also seconded the on-site support technician and engineers on a full-time basis.

Network Services

Network Equipment Supply and

Installation

Routers, Switches, Firewalls, Servers: We provide top-tier network equipment, ensuring your business has the necessary infrastructure for reliable and secure connectivity. Our team manages the entire process from procurement to installation and commissioning, guaranteeing a seamless integration that meets your business needs.

LAN Cabling Installation

Equipments includes routers, switches and servers from reputable companies: Cisco, Juniper, HP (Aruba), Aruba, Huawei, Extreme Networks and Xyzel.

Cabling: Datacom Technology offers expert LAN cabling services, utilizing CAT 5, 6, 6a, 7 and fiber optic cables to deliver high-speed, reliable connections. Our installations are designed to optimize network performance and support future scalability. We are Molex and KRONE installer Certified.

CCTV Camera Installation

Integrated Surveillance Security Solutions: We offer comprehensive security solutions with the installation of CCTV cameras and NVR, to provide businesses with enhanced surveillance capabilities. We fully integrated surveillance with existing network infrastructures, allowing for efficient security management.

Network Installation and Configuration

Complete Network Solutions: From design to implementation, Datacom Technology handles the full spectrum of network installation and configuration. We ensure that your network is set up for optimal performance and offer ongoing support to maintain its efficiency.

Wireless Network Installation and Commissioning

Wireless Solutions: We provide expert installation and commissioning of wireless networks, ensuring reliable coverage and connectivity across your business premises. Our solutions are tailored to support the demands of dynamic business environments.

Data Center and Cloud Based

Integrated IT Management: We support the configuration and management of email systems, file servers, and cloud-based platforms, ensuring seamless integration and operation. Our services help businesses manage their digital communications and data storage effectively.

Support for Microsoft and Linux Systems

Cross-Platform IT Support: Datacom Technology offers specialized support for both Microsoft and Linux operating systems. Our team is equipped to manage and troubleshoot issues across these platforms, providing your business with the flexibility to operate in diverse IT environments.

System Backup and Disaster Recovery

We manage the backup process for all critical systems, ensuring data integrity and availability. Our disaster recovery services are designed to minimize downtime and protect your business from data loss.

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COMPANY PROFILE

Impact Tank is a Namibian social impact innovation and investment platform established in 2020 to design, implement, and scale solutions that strengthen communities, unlock human potential, expand economic opportunity, and mobilize capital for sustainable development. We work at the intersection of community development, human capital development, enterprise growth, research and advisory, and impact investment, bringing together government, development partners, the private sector, and communities to deliver measurable and sustainable outcomes.

Our mission is to unlock human potential, strengthen communities, expand economic opportunity, and mobilize capital for sustainable impact. Guided by our philosophy, Ideate. Build. Launch. Grow. Inspire. we design practical, evidence-based programmes that address complex social and economic challenges while creating pathways to long-term resilience and inclusive growth.

Impact Tank delivers its work through five strategic pillars:

- **Community Development** - strengthening wellbeing, inclusion, and resilience through community-centred programmes.
- **Human Capital Development**

- building workforce readiness, leadership, and skills for future industries.

- **Enterprise Development** - supporting entrepreneurs and SMEs through incubation, acceleration, advisory, and market access.
- **Research & Advisory** - generating evidence, designing programmes, and strengthening institutional capacity.
- **Impact Capital** - mobilising and managing funding that enables sustainable development and enterprise growth.

Our work is delivered through three strategic thematic approaches that guide our programme design, partnerships, and investments. Our Community-Led thematic areas strengthen the social, human, and community foundations required for wellbeing, resilience, and inclusive economic development. Our Innovation-Led thematic areas leverage knowledge, technology, and innovation to develop locally relevant solutions that address development challenges and unlock new opportunities. Our Emerging Industry-Led thematic areas support sectors with the potential to drive Namibia's future economy by fostering innovation, strengthening competitiveness, and creating sustainable employment

opportunities.

Since its establishment, Impact Tank has implemented community development programmes, entrepreneurship initiatives, workforce development projects, and strategic advisory assignments in partnership with government institutions, universities, development agencies, foundations, corporates, and community organisations. The organisation has designed and delivered incubation programmes supporting more than 500 entrepreneurs, implemented community development initiatives across underserved communities, developed research and advisory projects, and launched flagship programmes such as Project 1000, which prepares Namibian youth for employment in the global digital economy through digital skills development and workforce placement.

Impact Tank's implementation model combines research, programme design, partnership development, project delivery, venture building, and impact measurement to ensure that solutions are practical, scalable, and sustainable. Our collaborative approach enables us to work effectively with government, donors, development partners, corporates, and communities to deliver measurable social and economic impact across Namibia.

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COMPANY PROFILE

The Namibia Press Agency (NAMPA) is Namibia's single news agency with operations in print, broadcast and digital media, which attract and serve unparalleled audiences in Southern Africa and beyond.

In Southern Africa, NAMPA has pioneered new and emerging storytelling techniques that cater to a new generation, presenting an ever-innovative portfolio of digital products that inform, empower, and educate, whilst maintaining its founding principles.

In Namibia, NAMPA is ideally placed with its headquarters in Windhoek, with over 14 bureaus across the country's regions and 10 international partner news agencies from North Africa to Europe and Asia.

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 National Commission on Research, Science
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COMPANY PROFILE

The National Commission on Research, Science and Technology (NCRST) is a public enterprise established under the Research, Science and Technology Act, 2004, as amended, with a mandate to promote, coordinate and develop research, science, technology and innovation (RSTI) in Namibia.

NCRST provides national leadership and policy guidance for Namibia's RSTI ecosystem. Its responsibilities include setting national research priorities, preparing and reviewing the National Research, Science and Technology Programme, monitoring and supervising research activities, registering research institutions and facilitating the mobilisation and allocation of resources for research and innovation. The Commission also administers the National Research, Science and Technology Fund, through which research grants, loans, bursaries and other forms of financial assistance may be provided.

A key focus of NCRST is strengthening Namibia's research and innovation capacity and creating an enabling environment in which scientific knowledge, technological development and innovation can contribute meaningfully to national development. The Commission supports researchers, innovators and inventors, promotes the application

and commercialisation of research and technology and provides guidance on the registration and protection of innovations and inventions.

NCRST promotes science, technology, engineering and mathematics through national programmes targeting learners, educators and communities. Flagship initiatives include the National Science Fair, National Science Quiz, Namibia Mathematics Olympiad and Learners Can Innovate programme. The Commission also operates Mathematics and Science Computer-Based Learning Centres to enhance access to learning resources for teachers and learners.

Emerging technologies are central to NCRST's mandate, with programmes spanning biotechnology, space science and digital technologies. The Commission operates the National Genetically Modified Organisms Laboratory, which provides mandatory and commercial GMO testing services. NCRST has also advanced Namibia's artificial intelligence agenda through the development of the National Artificial Intelligence Readiness Assessment Methodology Report, work towards a National AI Strategy and initiatives in computational thinking, artificial intelligence and robotics. The National Responsible AI Institute further strengthens Namibia's capacity to participate responsibly in the rapidly evolving digital economy.

NCRST drives national innovation through programmes including grassroots innovation initiatives, the National Innovation Challenge and the annual BoostUp Tech Pitch Competition. Through ScaleUp Namibia, a joint initiative with the Namibia Investment Promotion and Development Board, the Commission supports coordination among Namibia's innovation hubs and provides an accessible platform for innovators.

Collaboration is fundamental to NCRST's work. The Commission partners with Government, academia, research institutions, industry, innovators, development partners, civil society and international organisations. It also represents Namibia in regional and global research and innovation networks, strengthening opportunities for knowledge exchange, resource mobilisation and international cooperation.

Through these interventions, NCRST works to build a coordinated, inclusive and responsive RSTI ecosystem that advances knowledge creation, develops human capacity, stimulates innovation and contributes to Namibia's social, economic and sustainable development.



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NAMIBIA UNIVERSITY
 OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

COMPANY PROFILE

The Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST) is a leading public technological institution dedicated to knowledge creation, innovation, entrepreneurship, and sustainable development. Through student-centred teaching, applied research and partnerships with industry, government and communities, NUST prepares graduates to address practical challenges in Namibia, Southern Africa and beyond.

NUST's academic strengths span computing, engineering, health, natural resources, business, governance, humanities and education. The University is anchored by four established faculties: Computing and Informatics; Engineering and the Built Environment; Health, Natural Resources and Applied Sciences; and Commerce, Human Sciences and Education. NUST is moving towards a five-faculty structure that will give commerce, governance and management sciences, and humanities and education distinct academic homes. Together, these faculties foster a collaborative academic ecosystem that enables students and researchers to seamlessly apply digital methods across sectors.

Across the institution, NUST offers a diverse and expanding portfolio of cutting-edge programmes, including but not limited to Artificial

Intelligence, Cyber Security, Information Security, Digital Forensics, Sustainable Energy, Engineering, Space Technology and Geospatial Sciences. By integrating these critical fields, NUST equips graduates with the essential competencies required for the modern digital economy. Furthermore, Cooperative Education connects academic learning with professional practice through work-integrated learning and internships, ensuring graduates are agile and industry-ready.

Teaching, learning and technology form the backbone of NUST's student-centred approach. The institution empowers lecturers and students to leverage innovative methodologies and digital tools, notably the MyNUST eLearning platform. Comprehensive campus facilities, robust connectivity, advanced computing resources and integrated institutional systems provide a solid foundation for learning, research and administrative services. By prioritising reliable access, advanced cybersecurity and the responsible management of information, NUST continuously modernises to meet its forward-looking educational mission.

NUST's main campus is in Windhoek, complemented by satellite campuses in Lüderitz, Eenhana and Rietfontein. The Rietfontein Agricultural Campus

is planned to relocate to Otavi. This national presence extends educational opportunities and helps connect teaching and projects to regional priorities, from agriculture and logistics to energy and coastal development.

Specialised centres and state-of-the-art facilities significantly deepen NUST's capacity for high-impact collaboration with public and private partners. The India-Namibia Centre of Excellence in Information Technology champions focused advanced technology training. The Earth Observation and Satellite Applications Research and Training Centre builds critical capacity to use geospatial information, while the Namibia Energy Institute and the Namibian German Institute for Logistics contribute vital expertise to important economic sectors.

Finally, the High-Tech Transfer Plaza provides a dynamic, collaborative ecosystem bridging the University, industry leaders and entrepreneurs to incubate the technological solutions of tomorrow.

For learners seeking relevant qualifications, employers seeking skilled graduates, and organisations seeking research and innovation partners, NUST offers a point of connection. Its combination of technological education, interdisciplinary expertise and regional reach supports projects designed around real needs. Explore NUST's programmes, research, campuses and partnership opportunities at www.nust.na.





Mr. Andrew Hall
Chief Executive Officer
Paratus Namibia



COMPANY PROFILE

<https://paratus.africa/namibia/>

Paratus Namibia: Connecting Namibia to Africa and the World

Paratus Namibia is part of Paratus Group, a leading pan-African network operator providing connectivity, networking, cloud, satellite and data centre solutions across the continent. With 20 years of experience in Namibia, Paratus has established a strong local presence and continues to invest in digital infrastructure that supports businesses, communities and Namibia's growing digital economy.

Based in Windhoek, Paratus Namibia operates a national network incorporating fiber, broadband wireless access, satellite and mobile LTE technologies. Its portfolio includes YURSAT satellite connectivity, SKY-Fi and other wireless solutions, providing businesses and residential customers with reliable and scalable access across the country, including areas where traditional terrestrial infrastructure can be challenging.

A significant milestone in Paratus Namibia's development was the landing of the Equiano subsea cable, bringing additional international capacity to Namibia and strengthening the country's connection to regional and global digital networks. This complements Paratus broader African and international network, which includes points of presence across Africa, Europe, the UK and the USA. Paratus Namibia also operates its own Satellite Earth Station in Windhoek,

connected to its fiber backbone. The facility supports the distribution of satellite capacity across the country and enables connectivity in remote locations where terrestrial infrastructure may be limited or unavailable.

Supporting this network is the Armada Data Center, a Tier III by design facility located near Windhoek. The carrier-neutral data center provides secure colocation and connectivity for businesses, carriers, operators and service providers. Designed for resilience and business continuity, the facility incorporates N+1 fault tolerance, diverse connectivity routes and robust power and cooling infrastructure.

Paratus Namibia combines its infrastructure with local technical expertise and 24/7 support, providing customers with a single partner for digital infrastructure requirements spanning connectivity, satellite, cloud, hosted solutions, data centre and colocation services.

As Namibia's digital landscape continues to evolve, Paratus remains focused on expanding its capabilities and investing in technologies that enable greater access, resilience and digital transformation. Through its local expertise and connection to a wider pan-African network, Paratus Namibia supports organisations as they connect, operate and grow in an increasingly digital economy



Ms. Sonja Coetzer
Managing Director
Salt Essential IT



COMPANY PROFILE

Salt Essential IT is a Namibian ICT company that has been providing cloud and IT services to various businesses since 1998. The name Salt reflects the company's vision of being essential for life and business. Salt's value statement is to empower its employees and customers with quality services that enhance efficiency, productivity, and collaboration. Salt aims to be an intrinsic and integral part of any business's digital transformation.

Our values are: we live for a challenge: We are energised by continuously exploring new and better ways to optimise businesses. We don't back down when it is hard, we enable & empower: We do extraordinary effort to empower people to grow and prosper. So that the people enable the businesses to grow and prosper and we make a positive impact: We measure everything we do on the beneficial impact it has on the wellbeing and future-fitness of people and businesses.

Our Mission is to work with you to implement technology that optimises your business and empowers your people to effectively operate in a secure, productive, and sustainable manner.

Our Vision is to lead the way in empowering people and enabling businesses to be competitive, future-fit and prosperous.

Salt has a proven track record of excellence and innovation in ICT, as evidenced by its many international awards and recognition. Salt is also the leading cloud service provider and data centre's in Namibia, according to

PMR, for 11 consecutive years. Salt partners with reputable software and hardware vendors, such as Microsoft, Sendmarc, Lexplore, Veeam, Arista, and others, to offer solutions that meet the unique needs of each customer.

Salt's services cover a wide range of areas, such as teamwork, digital security, business process automation, and business operations continuity. Salt also offers support services for various technologies, such as network, desktop, server, switch, firewall, internet, and cloud. Salt has systems, processes, and procedures to deliver quality service 24/7/365. Salt is also a leader in providing ICT business consulting services for IT strategy, organisation, infrastructure, implementation, and project management. Salt helps customers turn their vision into reality with proven methods and solutions. Salt's customer success management monitors and evaluates the quality of service and customer experience. Salt holds regular meetings with customers to discuss progress and issues. Salt aims to see things from the customer's perspective.

Besides boasting our very own Artificial Intelligent Bot, ZOLT, Salt's latest pride and joy is Apprada, an Application that provides feedback on people's performance from their managers and colleagues in real time. Apprada is one of the examples of how Salt leverages its own solutions to improve its internal processes and culture, and also those of its customers.

Salt Essential IT is more than just an ICT company. It is a partner that helps businesses grow and succeed in the digital age.

EDUCATION INVITED EXHIBITORS

- University Of Namibia
- Institute for Open Learning
- National Institute of Technology
- Namibian Institute of Mining and Technology
- International Training College
- University of Science and Technology
- International University of Management
- Welwitchia University



YOUTH DAY HACKTHON & EXHIBITORS



Ms. Etuhole Phillemon
Junior Mayor
Ongwediva town

COMPANY PROFILE

PROFILE

Etuhole Phillemon is a young Namibian leader, student, public speaker, youth advocate, athlete and aspiring professional whose journey reflects a strong commitment to leadership, academic excellence, personal development and community service. Born on 15 September 2010 in Oshakati, Namibia, Etuhole is the eldest of three daughters. Growing up as the firstborn has helped shape her sense of responsibility, independence and care for those around her.

EDUCATION

Etuhole began her education at Leer Speel Speel in Ongwediva and Okatana, where she attended from preschool through Grade 3. She then attended Windhoek Gymnasium Private School from Grade 4 to Grade 7, during which she was also a hostel resident. This experience strengthened her independence, discipline, adaptability and sense of responsibility. She attended Mauritz Devenish Private School and Erundu Secondary School during Grade 8 before joining Oshana Gymnasium Private School, where she is currently a Year 11 learner following the Cambridge curriculum.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Etuhole has demonstrated consistent interest and achievement in mathematics and academics. Her achievements include:

- Best Learner in Mathematics and English in Grades 1, 2 and 3.
- Achieved an A symbol in Robotics in Grade 4.
- Received a Merit Award in the 2023 Wits Mathematics Olympiad, Upper Primary Grade 7.
- Received a Merit Certificate in the 2023 Wits Mathematics Competition from the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg.
- Participated in the Mathematics Olympiad in 2024, 2025 and 2026.
- Achieved a Top 10 position in the 2025 Mathematics Olympiad.
- Received a Grade 8 Top 5 Academic Achievement Award.
- Achieved 7th place among the Grade 9/Year 10 Top 10 Academic Performers.

LEADERSHIP & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Etuhole's leadership journey began at a young age through school and community leadership roles. She has served as a class representative across several grades, Outreach Prefect at Windhoek Gymnasium,

Hand of Friendship Prefect in the 2023 Outreach Programme, and a member of the Oshana Gymnasium High School LRC.

In 2025, she was elected Junior Mayor of Ongwediva, providing her with an opportunity to represent young people and participate in civic leadership within her community.

In 2026, her leadership journey expanded to the national level when she was elected Deputy Chief Whip of the Fourth Junior National Council of Namibia, representing the Oshana Region.

Through her leadership roles, Etuhole has developed experience in youth representation, public speaking, teamwork, advocacy, civic participation and leadership.

Public Speaking & Youth Advocacy

Etuhole has developed a growing record as a motivational and public speaker, addressing audiences in schools, communities and public events.

HER SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS INCLUDE:

- Speaker at the Official Opening of the Ongwediva Trade Fair, 2025.
- Speaker at the Ounonge Primary School Awards Ceremony, 2025.
- Speaker at the Inauguration of the Ongwediva Junior Council, 2025.
- Speaker at the Oshana Region Prize Giving Ceremony, 2025.
- Keynote Speaker at Gabriel Taapopi Secondary School, 2026.
- Keynote Speaker at Mauritz Private School, 2026.
- Keynote Speaker at Kleine Kuppe Private School, 2026.

Her advocacy focuses on youth participation, education, employment opportunities, entrepreneurship

and creating meaningful platforms for young people to contribute to Namibia's development.

CULTURAL & PERFORMING ARTS

Etuhole has a strong interest in the performing arts and actively participates in her school's Drama Club, Orators Club and Choir. Through these activities, she continues to develop her confidence, creativity, articulation, communication and stage presence.

In 2023, she participated in the CURRO CREATE National Youth Theatre Festival in Pretoria, South Africa, where her production reached the National Finals.

Her cultural achievements include:

- Participation in the production Pluk vir My 'n Reënboog.
- Participation in the National Finals.
- Receiving Theatre Wings for Acting.
- Being part of an ensemble awarded Double Gold.
- Being part of the ensemble recognised as the Best Primary School Ensemble.
- Participation in the Oshana Gymnasium High School Choir, including receiving CURRO Kryptonite.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

Etuhole is an active athlete with achievements across netball, athletics and gymnastics.

Her netball achievements include:

- Players' Player of the Year – U/13B.
 - 2nd Place in the Khomas A League – U/13B.
 - Most Versatile Player – U/13A.
 - Recognition for her determination, effort and positive contribution as a teammate.
- U/12A, 2022.

HACKTHON

BRIEFING NOTE: MEDIA MONITORING & ANALYSIS TOOL

Background

MICT produces a daily Media Monitoring and Analysis Brief manually. Staff read The Namibian, Sun, Republikein, Allgemeine Zeitung and New Era, and listen to national radio (Hardklop FM and the Otjiherero, German, Oshiwambo and English services). The brief goes to government Communication Officers, Cabinet, Ministers and Executive Directors. MICT previously explored Meltwater but found it user-unfriendly for monitoring a wide range of entities such as government.

Purpose of monitoring

To measure public opinion and evaluate coverage, manage misinformation and disinformation, detect crises and issues of public concern, improve government communication, assess campaigns and programmes, strengthen accountability and transparency, and advise management.

The challenge

Build an online tool that replaces the manual process. It must:

- track and analyse local and international print, broadcast, online and social media;
- perform data analytics, identify trends, run sentiment analysis and generate statistics;
- generate automated daily reports tailored to government decision-makers.

Current report format

Each entry records outlet and page or link (radio: station, programme and time), headline, brief summary, government source quoted, sentiment (positive, neutral or negative), institution concerned, and a comment or recommendation.

HACKTHON PARTICIPANTS

Media Monitoring & Analysis Tool Challenge

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Short description about the solution

MediaScope Namibia is a media monitoring and analysis tool developed by a team of four NUST students studying Computer Science, AI (Honours) and Informatics, in response to the Media Monitoring & Analysis Tool challenge.

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Short description about the solution

MediaGuard Namibia, branded NamiPulse, is a media monitoring and analysis solution developed by a five-member youth team from the Ohangwena Region for the hackathon challenge.

NAMIBIA MEDIA INTELLIGENCE PLATFORM (NMIP)

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Short description about the solution

NMIP is a Namibian media intelligence platform developed by Ounongo Creative Technologies, a Windhoek-based company. Submission with a live, deployed platform.



GOVPULSE

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Short description about the solution

GovPulse is a media monitoring and analysis solution by The Null Duo. Its proposal centres on impact scoring, crisis alerts and a "Response Desk" feature.

NAMNEXUS

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Short description about the solution

NAMNEXUS is an AI-powered information and emerging narrative intelligence platform developed by Magnitudo Media House CC under the tagline "Find the Shift. Follow the Evidence."

HYDROLINK ACCESS POINT (HYDROLINK AP)

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Short description about the solution

HydroLink AP, by Engenete Investments CC, is a portable, offline water-leak detection and water-quality monitoring device built on the ESP32 platform, with a local Wi-Fi dashboard.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

HydroLink works without an internet connection, so communities and institutions in areas with limited connectivity can still detect leaks early and monitor water quality. This helps reduce water losses and protect health, supporting local services and livelihoods.

MEDVAULT ONE

Members: Farai Mashonganyika; Douglas Mashonganyika

Short description about the solution

MedVault One is an offline-capable patient health record app (EMR) built on the principle "One Patient, One Record". A working proof-of-concept will be demonstrated live.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

By keeping patient records available even without connectivity, MedVault One supports continuity of care for patients in underserved areas and helps health workers make informed decisions. Better health outcomes contribute to a more productive population.

OSBCM PREP REMINDER (APP PROTOTYPE)

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Short description about the solution

The OSBCM PrEP Reminder, by Ohangwena Social Behaviour Change Makers, is a prototype app that provides PrEP adherence reminders and supports youth sexual and reproductive health and HIV prevention.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce

unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

The app uses mobile technology to bring HIV-prevention support directly to young people. Protecting the health of youth keeps them in school and able to take up economic opportunities, contributing to inclusive growth.

OTJO LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT APP

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Short description about the solution

Otjo is a web-based farm and livestock management system, already deployed and accessible online.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

Otjo gives livestock farmers a digital tool to record and manage their herds. Better management supports productivity and income for farming households in rural regions such as Kunene, helping to reduce poverty.

QUOTEWISE

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Short description about the solution

QuoteWise is a marketplace that connects customers requesting quotes with service providers. A working mobile app prototype is available.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

QuoteWise opens up a digital market for local service providers, giving them access to customers and income opportunities. This supports self-employment and small business growth, and helps customers find affordable services.

SCHOOLS INFORMATION & DATA SYSTEM (SIDS)

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Short description about the solution

SIDS (sids.edu.na) is a live school-management ecosystem already used by five schools across the Kavango East, Oshikoto and Oshana regions. It includes the SELMA AI assistant and Bank Windhoek payment integration.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce

unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

SIDS digitises school administration, data and payments, freeing schools to focus on teaching and learning. Quality education builds the skills young Namibians need to access employment and escape poverty.

COREE

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Short description about the solution

Coree, by Intellectual Technology, is an integrated business management platform covering CRM, point of sale, inventory and accounting. It reports more than 1,800 business leads across Namibia, Botswana, Zambia and Tanzania.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

Coree gives small and growing businesses affordable digital tools to manage sales, stock and finances in one place. Stronger businesses create jobs and drive inclusive economic growth.

ONENAM

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Short description about the solution

OneNam is a proposed national offline-capable digital gateway and knowledge network spanning education, health, water and civic services.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

OneNam brings essential information and services to people in one place, including those with limited internet access. Closing this digital divide promotes inclusion and equal access to opportunities.

EDU-PULL

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Short description about the solution

EDU-PULL (edu-pull.com) is a gamified quiz and tournament learning platform aligned to the Namibian curriculum, with monitoring tools for parents and schools.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

EDU-PULL makes learning engaging and keeps parents and schools involved in learners' progress. Better learning outcomes strengthen the foundation for future employment and long-term poverty reduction.

FACE MAKER

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Short description about the solution

Face Maker is a proposed facial identification machine-learning model for use in banking, university attendance and government processing.

How does your solution harness ICT for inclusive growth, to reduce unemployment and eradicate poverty? Briefly explain

Reliable digital identification can speed up access to banking and public services and reduce administrative burden, making services easier to reach for more people.



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