



**8 - 9 November 2016**

#### About the Conference

In a renewed drive to attract foreign direct investment and to market the country as an attractive investment destination, the Government of the Republic of Namibia under the auspices of the Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and SME Development (MITSMED) will host the Invest in Namibia International Investment Conference 2016 under the theme "Promoting Investment for Inclusive Growth and Industrialization" from 8 - 9 November 2016 at the Safari Conference Centre in Windhoek, Namibia

The Conference organized in collaboration with key stakeholders aims to present attractive opportunities to local, regional and international investors in targeted sectors that have the potential to contribute towards economic growth and job creation.

The Invest In Namibia International Investment Conference 2016 will showcase a pipeline of targeted investment projects in sectors such as

- Affordable Housing Sector;
- Agriculture Sector;
- Energy Sector;
- Logistics and Infrastructure Sector;
- Manufacturing Sector and;
- Tourism Sector

#### Conference Background and Rationale

Africa as a continent is on an unprecedented growth trajectory and is described as the new frontier. Several African economies have over the last few years registered positive economic growth in excess of 5.5% on average, which is far above growth experienced in mature markets. International institutions are ranking sub-Saharan Africa positively on several scores, in terms of good governance, peace and stability, security of tenure thereby offering good returns on investment.

Namibia enjoys political stability and good governance; a solid macroeconomic architecture supported by financial stability with a sound monetary policy and attractive investment incentives, which are pre-requisite for an attractive investment climate. Although Namibia has experienced positive economic growth over the last few years, that growth has not been sufficient to improve the standards of life for all. Moreover, despite some gains on several fronts, critical social imbalances still exist in Namibia, including high-income disparities, poverty and high unemployment, especially among the youth. It is for this reason that Government has declared a full-scale war on poverty, committing itself to demystify the challenge of unequal income distribution. To build on the solid governance and stability indicators, Government is committed to bring socio-economic prosperity to all Namibians, by creating a more inclusive economy.

Against this background it is considered prudent for Namibia to host the Invest in Namibia International Investment Conference 2016 in an effort to stimulate investment into the economy and to achieve national development goals and objectives as set out in NDP4 and as complimented by the "Harambee Towards Prosperity for All Plan".

#### Conference Objectives

The United Nations SDGs provides a set of universally applicable goals that balances the three dimensions of sustainable development: environmental, social and economic. The UN SDGs Summit that Namibia attended resolved that all member states should provide regular feedback on progress being made hence the need to ensure our national agenda includes our commitment to the SDGs. These goals are linked to Namibia's overall socio-economic goals as set out in Namibia's National Development Plan (NDP4) (Office of the President; National Planning Commission, 2012) which are:

- High and Sustained Economic Growth
- Employment Creation
- Increased Income Equality'

#### Expected Outcome

Chief amongst a myriad of expectations is that the conference will result in targeted growth that is premised on value addition and beneficiation, industrialization and diversification of the economy.

#### Resource Persons

This high-level event will feature presentations by international and local expert resource persons drawn from a variety of sectors.

#### Conference Format

The two-day conference will consist of plenary discussions and concurrent breakaway sessions with keynote speaker/s to be followed by an open discussion by all participants. The event will also showcase priority sectors and potential opportunities in those sectors.

For more information visit: <http://www.investnamibia.com.na>

Venue:

**Safari Hotel Conference Centre  
WINDHOEK, Namibia**

Registration fee  
per participant:

**US \$ 150**

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