

Mining Opportunities in Namibia

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NAMIBIA









Namibia in the world











MINING IN NAMIBIA









Matured and sought after mining destination due to favourable geology and mineral potential.

Long history of mining, political stability and good governance.

Sound regulatory
frameworks in place,
legislation with tax
regimes that create a
conducive environment for
sustainable mining.

Security of tenure is guaranteed - mining rights vested in the State.

Favourable geographical location allowing for easy access via the sea, air, and land.

World class infrastructure in terms of road and railway networks for transportation (import and export) of goods.







Mineral Beneficiation Strategy for Namibia

Launched in March 2021, the strategy seeks to, inter alia:

Enhance the mining sector's value-added productive capacity.

Increase the level of mineral beneficiation activities along the value chains.

Create attractive opportunities for new investors in mineral beneficiation and manufacturing industry.









Mining As an Enabler of Energy Transition

EU / Namibia - Strategic partnership on sustainable raw materials and renewable hydrogen.

Aims to ensure the development of a secure and sustainable supply of raw materials, refined materials and renewable hydrogen to support the green and digital transformation of the partners' economies.

The partnership will promote local value addition in Namibia by supporting the development of the mining and renewable hydrogen value chains.

Will focus on capacity building, training and skills development along raw materials and renewable hydrogen value chains.

Co-operation on research and innovation along the raw materials value chain, including on mineral knowledge and circularity, hydrogen technologies and skills.

UN Net Zero Coalition

According to the International Energy Agency (IEA), getting to net-zero by 2050 will require a six-fold increase in mineral input by 2040, some key metals, such as lithium, could see growth rates of over 40 times, with nickel and cobalt demand growing more than 20 fold.







Underdeveloped Opportunities

Discoveries currently not being mined at full scale

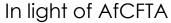


- Lithium
- Graphite
- Cobalt

Rare Earth Elements

- Dysprosium
- Yttrium
- Lanthanum
- Cerium
- Gadolinium

Opportunity Areas/Sectors



- Testing Laboratories
- Smelters
- Refineries
- Manufacturing (green)

Critical Skills Development



According to the GCI Report (2018), Namibia is ranked 100th in the world, alongside Botswana at position 92 and South Africa at 84. Therefore, investment in skills development is critical.









MINING LEGISLATION









Key Legislation, Policies and Developments

Laws/Policies regulating Mining in Namibia

- Minerals (Prospecting and Mining) Act 1992 (Act 33 of 1992) (undergoing amendments)
- Minerals Development Fund of Namibia Act 1996 (Act 19 of 1996)
- Diamond Act 1999 (Act 13 of 1999) (undergoing amendments)
- Minerals Amendment Act 2008
- Government Gazette No. 4236, Notice 45, of 1 April 2009
- Government No. 5076, Notice 277, of 15 November 2012
- Export Levy 2016 (Act 2 of 2016)
- Environmental Management Act 2007 (Act 7 of 2007)
- Regulations to Environmental Act
- Minerals Policy of Namibia
- National Policy on Mining and Prospecting in Protected Areas







Key Legislation, Policies and Developments

Some of the key changes (Minerals Bill)

- Mineral royalties will be capped at 10% (currently different rates for different minerals apply)
- Clear definitions with respect to levies, charges and fees, to ensure clarity on applicable deductions
- Provisions for increased local content clause on Beneficiation
- Establishment of a Mining Licence Advisory Committee
- Establishment of a Mine Closure Evaluation Committee

The Ministry of Mines and Energy is working closely with the Chamber of Mines and other stakeholders during this process for a more competitive legislation.









The Namibian Business Environment

Political Stability

32 years of stable democracy & peace

Human Rights

Unamendable rights enshrined in the constitution, including right to private property

Liberty

Free Market Economy, Freedom of the Press

Rule of Law

Established & functioning laws & regulations (including the Foreign Investment Act)

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Financial Sophistication

Well developed financial & banking sectors & the 3rd largest Pension Fund industry in Africa

Advanced Infrastructure

Stable telecoms, electricity & water supply & sanitation

Accessible workforce

An educated, job seeking, English speaking population that can be upskilled using a National training fund

Quality of Life

Comfortable weather, short commutes, quality schools, hospitals & entertainment

Established FDI Destination

Multiple long established & successful foreign investments & companies

Logistical Hub

High quality logistical infrastructure and competence (including regional & international land, air & sea connections)

Natural Resources

Local and regional abundance of solar, wind, oil, gas, metal, mineral and agricultural resources

Market Access

Several preferential trade agreements, including the AfCFTA, EPA, AGOA & Mercosur

Investor Protection

Freedom from nationalisation

Investment Repatriation

Freedom to remit capital and profits

Currency Convertibility

Protected currency convertibility & Rand Peg

Dispute Protection

Equitable dispute settlement mechanisms





NIPDB AND CONTACTS









Public Enterprise - Office of the President



Brand Awareness & Investment Promotion

Provision of general & specific information, events, targeted visits & sector development

Investment Facilitation

Facilitation of exploratory visits, business registration, visas, permits, licences & partnerships

Investor Aftercare & Policy Advocacy

General & sectoral constraint identification, policy advice and solution coordination







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