

# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

# THE NAMIBIA SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AWARDS PROGRAMME



Environmental Investment Fund  
of Namibia | ensuring sustainability



Republic of Namibia  
Ministry of Environment & Tourism



**T**he Environmental Investment Fund of Namibia and the Sustainable Development Advisory Council have joined forces to bring you Namibia's first ever Sustainable Development Awards Programme, which intends to recognize the importance of integrating sustainability into the core of business and industry as well as the daily lives of Namibians from all walks of life.

To be launched later this year, 2014, the Sustainable Development Awards Programme invites participants nationwide to join us in the search of companies, local authorities, civil society organizations and individuals that have demonstrated excellence in the pursuit of sustainable and responsible development.

The organizers invite nominations in the following categories:

## ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE AMONG INDUSTRY

This category targets mainly private sector companies, parastatals and local authorities and seeks to reward the application of innovative technologies and exciting approaches, which minimize operational impacts on the environment. Environmentally friendly approaches to the management and use of energy, water and waste, and eco-certification schemes will be the main focus areas of this category.

A trophy, certificate and N\$ 20,000 will be up for grabs in this category.

## NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION

This category is intended to focus on local level initiatives, which are improving local wellbeing and livelihoods while protecting the environment. Community-Based Organizations, Youth and Women's Groups and Non-Governmental Organizations are encouraged to apply under this category.

A trophy, certificate and N\$ 150,000 will be up for grabs under this category.

## RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

This category identifies practical research achievements that are original and significant to Namibia, and advance knowledge on the conservation and sustainable utilization of the environment, while also delivering social and economic benefits for the country.

A trophy, certificate and N\$ 80,000 will be up for grabs under this category.

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

This category intends to honour inspiring leaders who are role models and trailblazers in the area of environmental sustainability.

The winner of this award will take home a trophy, certificate and N\$ 30,000 (to be donated to a charity of his / her choice).

## ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION FOR SUSTAINABILITY

This category intends to target outstanding practitioners in the field of environmental education. Applicants are encouraged to highlight campaigns and initiatives, which have led to demonstrable impacts in terms of imparting knowledge on environmental issues and promoting behavioral change among the population.

A trophy, certificate and N\$ 30,000 will be up for grabs under this category.

### Nomination procedures:

Download the Nomination form from the EIF website, [www.eifnamibia.com](http://www.eifnamibia.com) or send an email to [lnafidi@eifnamibia.com](mailto:lnafidi@eifnamibia.com) to request one! Alternatively you can pick up a hard copy from the offices of the EIF at 2nd Floor, Capital Centre, Windhoek. Self-nominations and third-party nominations will be considered.

Entries may be submitted for programmes or projects implemented during last 2 years starting January 2012. Entries close on Friday, 24th October 2014, and can be submitted at:

Environmental Investment Fund  
2nd Floor, Capital Centre,  
Windhoek,  
P.O. Box 28157  
Avas Valley, Windhoek  
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[lnafidi@eifnamibia.com](mailto:lnafidi@eifnamibia.com)

Information regarding nomination procedures and related enquiries can be obtained from:

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### ABOUT THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

In line with Article 6 of the Environmental Management Act, the Sustainable Development Advisory Council was established in 2013. The Council is a cross-sectoral body involving four governmental and four non-governmental representatives with the Environmental Commissioner as an ex-officio member.

Its main functions are to promote co-operation and co-ordination on environmental issues relating to sustainable development, and to advise the Minister of Environment and Tourism on environmental matters, with particular focus on legislation, policy and compliance measures.

### ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTMENT FUND OF NAMIBIA

The Environmental Investment (EIF) is a Namibian institution that supports the sustainable economic development through the promotion of activities that maintain and uphold the environmental integrity of the country.

Created by an Act of Parliament in 2001, the Fund fully supports the integration of best environmental practices in national development. The Fund looks at achieving these aims by supporting projects across the following focal areas:

Over the last two years, the EIF has benefitted over 14,000 people with grants financing alone, through projects that address food security and livelihood improvements, green technology and waste management and education and training in relevant academic areas.