



Just Green Transition for the Informal Sector in Namibia

JUSTIS WORKSHOP

Date

16 & 17 February 2023

Venue

Windhoek Country Club
& Casino, Namibia

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About the JUSTIS Portal



Accelerating the green energy transition requires smart energy solutions, entrepreneurship and increased investment driven by enabling policies. The JUSTIS digital portal seeks to bridge the gap between green entrepreneurs, policymakers, and investors to accelerate green growth and green transitions.

The digital portal serves as a marketplace to retail green products and services to potential consumers, financial markets, and investors. The portal will also provide policymakers with a learning opportunity to support evidence-based climate and green policy decisions to support green businesses better and democratise research findings to a broader audience.

The portal allows green entrepreneurs to unlock potential sources of investment while collaborating with policymakers and civil society organisations to overcome bottlenecks in green business.

Green entrepreneurs can gain greater visibility, market access and mentorship. Investors can engage with green innovators to identify new business ventures, and policymakers can gain data insight to support inclusive green energy policy decisions.

This initiative is a product birthed through a partnership project between The United Nations University–Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA) and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) as part of a project called Just Transitions in the Informal Sector (JUSTIS).

About UNU-INRA



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About UN-ECA



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The United Nations University Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA) is one of the 14 research and training centres of the UN University (UNU) and is the only one focusing predominantly on Africa. We provide cutting-edge solutions and knowledge outlets for natural resource planning and management from an African perspective.

UNU-INRA serves as a platform to amplify African voices and showcase made-in-Africa solutions. We harness the incredible talent on the continent and also strengthen and develop capabilities by equipping African researchers, entrepreneurs and policy actors with the requisite knowledge to sustainably manage natural resources. We deliver research, capacity development and policy advice, and we convene spaces for knowledge sharing. Namibia has one of the five operating units of UNU-INRA, based at the Sam Nujoma Marine and Coastal Resources Research Centre (SANUMARC), Sam Nujoma Campus, University of Namibia, Henties Bay.

Established by the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations (UN) in 1958 as one of the UN's five regional commissions, ECA's mandate is to promote the economic and social development of its member States, foster intra-regional integration, and promote international cooperation for Africa's development.

Made up of 54 member States, and playing a dual role as a regional arm of the UN and as a key component of the African institutional landscape, ECA is well positioned to make unique contributions to address the Continent's development challenges.

Day 1

Date: 16th February

Venue: Windhoek Country Club and Casino

Time	Agenda	Responsible
9:00–9:30 am	Arrival of participants and registration	Ms. E. Uahindua & Mr. A. Namwoonde
9:30 – 9:35 am	National Anthem & AU Anthem	Dr. Samuel Mafwila
9:35 – 9:45 am	Opening Remarks	Dr. Mafwila Dr. Hilda Mwakatumbula, UNECA
9:45 – 10:15am	JUSTIS Project and General Key Findings Across the four participating countries	Mrs. Thelma Arko, Research Fellow/ Project Coordinator, UNU-INRA
10:15 – 10:45am	JUSTIS Key Findings in Namibia	Dr. Abner Shopati, NBS, UNAM & Ms Lilongeni Kayofa, Ministry of Works and Transport, Namibia.
10:45 – 11:10am	Q & A	Moderator: Dr. Samuel Mafwila
11:10 – 11:30 am	Snack break	
11:30 am – 12:10pm	<p>Panel Discussion: How can Just Energy Transition be attained in Namibia</p> <p>Panelists: Dr. Abner Shopati Namibia Business School (NBS), UNAM</p> <p>Dr. Zivayi Chiguvare Director: Namibia Green Hydrogen Institute, UNAM Representative Namibia Green Hydrogen Council, Windhoek, Namibia</p>	<p>Moderator: Mr. Denver Kisting Communication Specialist Namibia</p> <p>Panelists: Dr Natangue Shafudah Namibia Green Hydrogen Institute, UNAM</p> <p>Ms Helvi Ilea Acting Director: Centre for Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency (CREE), Namibia University of Science Technology</p>

	Mr Jesaya Ntinda Green Entrepreneur Representative Namibia	
12:10 – 12:30 PM	Q & A	
12:30 – 13:00pm	Way forward	Dr. Hilda Mwakatumbula
13:00 – 14:00pm	LUNCH	
14:00 – 14:30pm	Introduction to the JUSTIS portal & signing-up	Mrs. Thelma Arko
14:30 – 14:50pm	What is Next for JUSTIS	UNU-INRA/UNECA
14:50 – 15:00pm	Closing Remarks	UNU-INRA/UNECA

Day 2

Date: 17th February

Venue: Windhoek Country Club and Casino

Time	Agenda	Responsible
9:00 – 9:30 am	Arrival of participants and registration	
9:30 – 9:45 am	Opening Remarks	UNU-INRA
9:45 – 10:15am	Taking advantage the JUSTIS Platform	Mrs. Thelma Arko Research Fellow (UNU-INRA)
10:15 – 10:45	Digital Marketing for Green Technologies	Ms Tracy Lutombi
10:45 – 11:05	Q & A	
11:05 – 11:25	Snack	
11:25 – 12:10	Presentation: Green Energy Technology trends & Prospects in Namibia	Dr. Abner Shopati (NBS, UNAM)
12:10 – 12:45	Breakout Sessions: Discussion on how green entrepreneurs can provide the right green technologies that is market oriented	Ms Thelma Arko Facilitator
12:45 – 13:10pm	Group Presentations/ Q&A	Individual groups
13:10 – 13:40pm	How to make JUSTIS Platform engaging? (Discussion)	Ms Thelma Arko Facilitator
13:40 – 14:00	Closing Remarks	
14:00 – 14:15pm	AU Anthem and National Anthem	Dr. Samuel Mafwila
14:15 PM	Lunch & Departure	



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