



## About Namibia's Sustainable Development Goals Impact Facility

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Ministry of Industrialisation and Trade (MIT) have jointly established the Sustainable Development Goals Impact Facility (SDGIF). The SDGIF is a multi-stakeholder financial and capacity building platform that bridges entrepreneurship, social innovation, and blended capital to create sustainable economic and social returns. The facility's fund manager is the Environmental Investment Fund of Namibia and it is co-financed by Standard Bank Namibia.

The facility's support to MSMEs will have a catalytic impact in addressing development challenges in the country through strengthening the local economy, improving livelihoods, creating decent jobs, and building equitable communities.



## SDG Impact Facility Objectives



Develop and enhance productive capacity of MSMEs



Sustainably scale up MSMEs and strengthen local, sub-regional and regional value chains for AfCFTA<sup>1</sup>



Create a conducive entrepreneurial ecosystem



## Matching MSMEs Needs

The SDGIF encourages accountability by offering matching grants that are disbursed in tranches, based on achieved milestones. The facility will actively promote women and youth owned businesses. Competitive matching-grants will be offered in three windows to MSMEs active in:

- Window 1 – Sustainable agriculture, nutraceutical and artisans
- Window 2 – Sustainable tourism and manufacturing
- Window 3 – Renewable energy and information technology

## Empretec Namibia Business Development Services

The SDG impact facility is coupled with business development support services offered by Empretec Namibia under the Ministry of Industrialisation and Trade, and additional mentorship support from corporate partners. Business development services will be offered throughout the grant contact, ensuring business health checks are conducted.

## All About Partnerships

The SDGIF will contribute to the establishment of an efficient ecosystem that connects entrepreneurs, development partners and corporate players. Through the participation of Standard Bank at the onset, the MSMEs can unlock further capital, promising socially conscious businesses invaluable support.

Being an inclusive facility, the SDGIF welcomes the private sector to turn their corporate social responsibility support into social impact investment by supporting MSMEs with a measurable high social impact.

The Covid-19 pandemic has shown us that it is imperative to work collectively to ensure effective support to the business community and to build back better.

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