

SDG Impact Facility MSMEs

SDGIF MSMEs:

Successful MSMES will receive a one-off, limited duration grant, usually covering up to 85% of project costs (or up to N\$100,000 as appropriate) with 15% to be matched by own contribution paid into the SDGIF bank account as a non-refundable contribution.

I. Eligibility Criteria

Who can apply?

MSMEs interested in accessing the support from the SDG Impact Facility must meet all the following criteria:

- 1) Must be a firm/joint venture that is legally recognized under the Laws of Namibia with a business license readily available for verification.
- 2) Must be an established operational firm/joint venture in business for at least 6 months, that is either:
 - a) Resident of Namibia, with the founder/owner being involved fulltime in the management of the day-to-day affairs of the enterprise, OR
 - b) managed by an entrepreneur that is keen on piloting and/or scaling an inclusive business solution (defined in this call as enterprises that integrates youth and women in its business value chain as employees; suppliers of inputs/raw materials; or distributors of their products or services – agency - while providing solutions to development challenges) that creates direct or indirect jobs for youth and women; OR
 - c) managed by an entrepreneur that is keen on piloting and or scaling an innovative solution that integrates youth and women in its business value chain as suppliers of inputs/ raw materials; and distributors of their products or services (agency) while providing solutions to development challenges.
 - d) Registered MSMEs with Business and Intellectual Property Authority (BIPA)
- 3) Must be a MSMEs operating in the targeted window 4 economic sectors of agriculture, renewable energy, and manufacturing industry. Innovations applied to any of these sectors, with a product or service on the market; or a social enterprise with a financially sustainable business model; and able to demonstrate a track record of at least 6 months of business operations.
- 4) Suretyship to be signed by owner/members/director. Business must be financially viable, socially responsible, environmentally friendly, and culturally sensitive firm willing and able to match the grant award with own resources

5) Must demonstrate capacity and dedication to implement their innovation and or scale their business and demonstrate sound financial performance and practices.

Exclusions

Applications for the SDGI Facility will be deemed ineligible if they are any of the following:

- i. of benefit to an individual only.
- ii. to be implemented outside of the boundaries of the Republic of Namibia.
- iii. in support of an organization that discriminates based on ethnicity, race, religion, age or gender
- iv. for general operating or administrative support.
- v. for retroactive facility, debt retirement, or reserves.
- vi. for conferences, symposia, annual events, or travel to/attendance at such events, tickets, tables, benefits, raffles, souvenir programs, advertising or Facility raising dinners.
- vii. to cover the cost of facility raising activities.
- viii. for religious organizations that serve primarily their membership and/or their direct religious purposes unless the community at large will benefit significantly for endowment grants.
- ix. from Government bodies

Review process

Our ambitious targets mean, we seek market-based solutions with innovative and scalable approaches. EIF will set up an evaluation committee, comprising mainly of EIF, MIT and UNDP as well as participating private sector partners to review all proposals received using EIF's principles of fairness, objectivity, and integrity. EIF may, at its discretion, invite persons and or partner institutions with expert knowledge in the targeted sectors to complement EIF's expertise and improve the selection of the most viable proposals.

Payment Milestones

Instalment of Payment/ Period	Deliverables or Documents to be Delivered	Percentage of Payment
1 st Instalment	Capital Expenditure (Equipment Purchases etc.)	70%
2 nd Instalment	Working Capital (Salaries, rent etc.)	30%

How to apply?

Please ensure that the proposal and all attachments are legible. Please note that hard copy submissions are encouraged. Proposals must be submitted with all relevant attachments to:

The Environmental Investment Fund of Namibia Heinitzbrug Heights Corner of Heinitzburg and Dr.Theo-Ben Gurirab Klein Windhoek Windhoek Alternatively, submit to the email address <u>undp.sdgif@eif.org.na</u>. The subject line must be clearly marked as "SDG Impact Facility" and MUST also bear the name of the Proposer. The proposer will receive an 'acknowledgment of receipt' of the submission via email as proof of receipt of the proposal. Please note that the maximum file size attachable is 10MB.

II. The Benefits

Successful Applicants depending on business evaluation, will also receive tailored business development services and enterprise development training.

III. Submitting your Proposed Solution

All proposed solutions must follow this Outline:

Section I. About the enterprise

- 1.1 Name and company Profile
- 1.2 Registration details, year of establishment, names and dates of birth of the directors
- 1.3 Memorandum and Articles of Association
- 1.4 Summary of Key Personnel and Management Structure
- 1.5 Key information on the consortium members and their roles if joint venture

Section II. Proposed business idea/ solution

- 2.1 Proposed business idea/solution
- 2.2 Approach to implementation of the solution and key activities
- 2.3 What is innovative about the business proposal
- 2.4 Implementation timelines
- 2.5 Potential impact on the job creation/ socio-economic impact
- 2.6 Potential for Replication or Scaling
- 2.7 Risk and Mitigation Measures
- 2.8 Reporting and Monitoring

Section III. Financial Details

- 3.1 Detailed Budget description
- 3.2 Cashflow forecast
- 3.3 Detailed description of own contribution
- 3.4 Anti-corruption Strategy

Annexes

Company Registration Certificate (Annex 1)

Memorandum and Articles of Association (Annex 2)

Copies of national identification document or passport bio data page of firm owners (Annex 3)

Supporting Documentation Tax and Social Security Good standings and SME Registration Certificate (Annex4)