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### **Namibia Welcomes Ministerial Delegations, Foreign Trade Missions And The Global Green Energy Value Chain Into Windhoek Ahead Of Inaugural Global African Hydrogen Summit**

Windhoek, Namibia- The Global African Hydrogen Summit, taking place this week from Tuesday, September 3, through to Thursday, September 5, 2024, in Windhoek, Namibia, will serve as a critical platform that will focus on the role Africa expects to play in the global hydrogen sector.

The dynamic three-day Summit will facilitate collaboration and foster partnerships between African nations and international stakeholders, as well as advance dialogue across policy, investment and the emerging hydrogen value chain.

Hosted under the patronage of the Government of Namibia, the Guest of Honour, Her Excellency Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, Vice President of the Republic of Namibia, will lead the official Summit opening ceremony.

Endorsed by the Ministry of Minerals and Energy of Namibia, the Summit's sectoral patron, Hon. Minister Tom Alweendo, will be joined by a distinguished lineup of peers and visionary government officials at the forefront of Africa's green industrial revolution.

Ministerial delegations and trade missions from Algeria, Angola, Belgium, Burundi, Congo, Egypt, EU, Germany, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda are arriving into Windhoek ahead of the Summit.

Notable government dignitaries confirmed to participate include:

- Hon. Doto Mashaka Biteko (MP), Deputy Prime Minister, United Republic of Tanzania
- Hon. Kadri Simson, European Commissioner for Energy, European Union
- Hon. Tinne Van der Straeten, Minister of Energy, Kingdom of Belgium
- Hon. Dr. Mahmoud Esmat, Minister of Electricity & Renewable Energy, Arab Republic of Egypt
- Hon. Balarabe Abbas Lawal, Minister of Environment, Federal Republic of Nigeria
- Hon. Michael Kellner, Parliamentary State Secretary, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action, Federal Republic of Germany

The Summit will feature a world-class Strategic Conference with over 126 expert industry speakers from Namibia, Africa, and around the globe.

Green industrialisation private and public sector changemakers confirmed to participate include:

- Andrew Kanime, Chief Executive Officer, Namibian Ports Authority (NamPort)
- Sabine Dall'Omo, Chief Executive Officer, Siemens Sub-Saharan Africa, Siemens
- Karsten Nielsen, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, GreenGo Energy
- Marco Raffinetti, Chief Executive Officer, Hyphen Hydrogen Energy
- Jean Van Wetter, Chief Executive Officer, Enabel
- Jens Wulff, Chief Executive Officer, Neuman & Esser Germany
- Roy Campe, Chief Technology Officer, CMB.TECH
- Simson Haulofu, Managing Director, Namibia Power Corporation (NamPower)

- Todd Cartwright, Chief Commercial Officer, Nel Hydrogen
- Joanne Bate, Chief Operations Officer, Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)
- Roy Campe, Chief Technology Officer, CMB.TECH, Cleanergy Development Committee

Simultaneously, the International Exhibition will host 5 Country Pavilions, including Belgium, EU, Germany, Netherlands and Namibia, showcasing industry leaders, including BESIX, Fluxys, HDF Energy, Hyphen Hydrogen Energy, Nel Hydrogen, Siemens, ThyssenKrupp and Vopak. The International Exhibition will also spotlight an Innovation Zone, which will feature a dual-streamed Technical Seminar and a dedicated Youth Programme agenda.

Additionally, the Summit will host the privately conducted Project Investment Roundtables, where more than 30 bankable green energy projects from across Africa will be presented to investors, aiming to fast-track their progress toward financial closure.

The Summit is supported by its Strategic Partner, the Namibia Investment Promotion and Development Board (NIPDB), and is proud to be sponsored by its official Partners Fortescue, GreenGo Energy, GIZ, Hyphen Hydrogen Energy, Cleanergy Solutions Namibia, International Development Corporation of South Africa (IDC), Neway Valve, RMB, Air Products, ENS Africa, KSB, NamH2 Fund Managers, Neuman & Esser and Zhero.

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## **About The Global African Hydrogen Summit (GAH2S) 2024**

### Convening The Global Hydrogen Industry In Namibia

In its inaugural edition to be hosted in Namibia, the pioneering three-day Global African Hydrogen Summit will convene heads of state, government agencies, industry business leaders, project developers, investors, thought leaders, technologists and end users from across Africa and around the globe to drive partnerships for and critical investments and financing into bankable green energy projects of strategic and national importance across Africa, spanning hydrogen, renewables, agriculture, mining, power, infrastructure, transportation, mobility and hard to abate sectors.

As a pioneering and innovative investment platform, the Global African Hydrogen Summit will provide a variety of engagement opportunities including educative masterclasses, high level leadership dialogues, a world class strategic conference, project investment roundtables, and an international exhibition and innovation zone.

Participation is expected from across the global energy value chain including:

- 2+ heads of state
- 20+ African & Global ministers
- 40+ bankable African green energy projects
- 2,000+ attendees
- 700+ conference delegates
- 125+ international exhibitors
- 115+ expert industry speakers
- 100+ youth participants
- 65+ countries represented from around the globe
- 7+ Green Energy Awards

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