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## **Global African Hydrogen Summit 2024 Ignites a Green Revolution: Paving the Way for Africa's Hydrogen Future**

Windhoek, Namibia - Launched as part of COP28 UAE in December 2023, the inaugural Global African Hydrogen Summit (GAH2S) is a pioneering new energies investment platform set to take place from 3 – 5 September 2024 in Windhoek, Namibia.

Aligned with the ambitious goals set out at COP28 to rapidly scale the energy system of tomorrow, GAH2S provides a crucial catalyst for driving Africa's pivotal role in realising this vision. The platform has gained significant momentum with the esteemed patronage of the Namibian President, His Excellency Hage Geingob and the Government of Namibia's full endorsement and support.

Honourable Tom Alweendo, Minister of Mines & Energy, Republic of Namibia commented that "The Global African Hydrogen Summit will be the first platform of its kind to be leveraged by African governments, by investors, financiers, scholars and the public. In order to unlock additional opportunities for our continent and its partners, it will also provide a platform for the global players in the hydrogen value chain to showcase their projects, plans and technologies to the African continent."

While Africa's global emissions are minimal, it urgently requires substantial climate adaptation investments. Possessing almost unlimited potential of solar capacity, abundant hydro, wind, and geothermal energy sources, Africa is rapidly emerging as a key destination for large scale, low-carbon hydrogen production investment which will accelerate the continent's green industrial revolution.

Themed *From Ambition to Action: Fuelling Africa's Green Industrial Revolution*, GAH2S will focus on the strategic role Africa expects to play in the global hydrogen market and will facilitate collaboration and advance dialogue across policy, investment and the emerging hydrogen value

chain. Most notably Egypt, Kenya, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia and South Africa — who are all actively pursuing clean hydrogen production, will showcase their respective plans and priorities for investment whilst seeking global partnerships. Namibia in particular, has set her sights on the bold ambition of becoming the sustainable energy capital of Africa, leveraging the country's unparalleled wind, solar and resources, complemented by a strategic location enabling access to the African market and beyond.

The continent has the potential to harmonise its own industrialisation to become a global powerhouse of green manufactured products, whilst applying a localised multiplier effect, stimulating in-continent value including employment creation, ancillary industries, light manufacturing and natural resource refining - uplifting economies across Africa, whilst sustainably bringing an end to energy poverty.

The dynamic three-day Summit will showcase pan African project and investment opportunities across the hydrogen, renewables, power, infrastructure, transportation and mobility sectors. It is envisaged to attract over 6 Heads of State, 20 Energy Ministers, 2000 attendees, and will convene government agencies, industry business leaders, project developers, investors, thought leaders and technologists from across Africa and around the globe to drive critical engagement for investments and financing into African bankable green energy projects, project showcasing, deal negotiation, policy review and technology advancement.

The Summit will actively contribute to Africa and in particular Namibia's green industrialisation plans, addressing the hydrogen supply chain, green financing, and local content strategies, including skills and talent development, knowledge transfer and capacity building. GAH2S will incorporate a world class strategic conference, leadership dialogues, project investment roundtables, an international large-scale exhibition and a series of CPD accredited workshops. As a truly diverse, equitable and inclusive global-to-local platform, GAH2S will also welcome a strong Youth contingent, StartUps and representatives of Civil Society.

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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 three-day Global African Hydrogen Summit (GAH2S) will convene heads of state, government agencies, industry business leaders, project developers, investors, thought leaders and technologists from across Africa and around the globe to drive critical investments and financing into bankable green energy projects of strategic and national importance across Africa, spanning hydrogen, renewables, power, infrastructure, transportation and mobility.

As a dynamic and innovative investment platform, GAH2S will provide a variety of engagement opportunities including an educative masterclass, high level leadership dialogues, a strategic conference, project investment boardroom roundtables, and a technology and innovation hub.

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

- 6+ heads of state
- 20+ African ministers
- 40+ bankable African green energy projects
- 2,000+ attendees
- 700+ conference delegates
- 100+ youth participants
- 80+ expert industry speakers
- 75+ technology and innovation zones
- 65+ countries represented from around the globe
- 50+ showcased startups

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