

# 12<sup>th</sup> Annual AEDU Namibia Technical Conference

Walvis Bay Town Hall

Walvis Bay

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# About the Event

- 11<sup>th</sup> Annual AEDU Namibia Technical Conference.
- Format includes two day Conference, Exhibitors and a Social Fun day.
- By the Numbers:

	2022	2019
• Attendees:	152	142
• Exhibitors:	16	16
• Presenters:	17	14
• Reserve Position:	N\$500000	N\$400000
• Nett Profit Margin	>15%	



# The AEDU Namibia's Members

- All Distribution and Supply Utilities in Namibia are Eligible.
- Distribution and Supply Utilities that are Members of the AMEU Southern Africa.
- These are:
  - City of Windhoek
  - ErongoRED
  - OPE
  - NORED
  - CENORED



# The AEDU Namibia's Mandate

- To be a Representative Body for the Electricity Distribution and Supply Industry in Namibia
- To Promote the Interests of the Distribution and Supply Industry
- To Organise and Participate in International and National Events with similar objectives to Foster the Exchange of Information in the EDI



# Recent AEDU Activities

- Organized a well attended 2022 Tech Conference
- Meeting with MME to discuss;
  - Support of the EDI – NEF Funding
  - Implementation of the EDI Reform initiatives
- Meeting with ECB to discuss;
  - Regulatory matters affecting the EDI – MSBM, Net-metering
  - EDI Reforms
  - Harmonisation of the industry services & customer experiences



# Matters Currently Being Considered

- Updating of the Tariff Determination Methodology
- Updating of Quality of Service Standards and Quality of Supply (QTech Committee)
- Renewable Energy Initiatives to Address Pricing and Supply Security
- Research and Development Committee
- Updating of the Technical Rules
- Wireman License
- Nationalization of Standards (NSI)
- National Electrification Strategy & Funding Portfolio



# Challenges Facing ESI Industry

- **SAFETY**
- Business Model is Changing.
- MSB & Nett Metering.
- Aging Infrastructure.
- Financing Needs.
- Customer Expectations – Lower Tariffs.
- Shareowners – Expects Dividends & Satisfied Customers.
- Skill gaps
- Procurement of electrical equipment & services





# Contributions Towards Safety, Health and the Environment Sustainability

- Informing Customers Regarding the Hazards their Commodity Pose (Co-Ordinated)
- Mitigation Awareness on these Hazards
- Customers More Comfortable with Renewable Energy – Safety compliance of installation
- Enforcement of NESC and Operation Rules



# The Way Forward

- Clearly Formulated Planning Needed for the Industry
- AEDU Namibia Considering the Appointment of a Strategic Advisor
- AEDU Namibia Intending to Increase its Reserves – Advisor, Industry Events, Strategic Projects
- Women in Engineering – Women Engineers in the Exco



# Our Organising Committee

- Mrs Paulina Nambele (OPE)
- Mrs Teofilia Usurua (CoW)
- Ms Florence Uushona (CoW)
- Mrs Annetjie Benz (ErongoRED)
- Mrs Cathy Maggot (ErongoRED)
- Mrs Alta Smit (ErongoRED)



# Election of New AEDU Namibia Committee

- Elections were done in 2022
  - P. Nehale – Chairperson
  - S. Wayiti – Vice Chairperson
  - J. Iyambo – Member
  - L. Hanekom – Member
  - J. Hambata – Member
  - I. Ndapona – Member
- Next Election during the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in 2024.





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