

THEME

Igniting Local Innovation:
Building a Collaborative, Investable, and Inclusive FinTech Ecosystem.

DAY 1 | 07 August 2025 | Hilton Windhoek Hotel

TIME	ACTIVITY	PRESENTER
09:00	Arrival and Registration Entertainment provided by Lize Ehlers	
09:50	Commencement of Formalities	Ms Joannette Eises Master of Ceremonies
10:00	Welcoming Remarks	Ms Erna Motinga NAMFISA – Deputy CEO: Prudential Supervision
10:20	Remarks: Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia (CRAN)	Mr Kristof Itana CRAN – Manager: Technology and Standards
10:50	Keynote Address 1: The Regulator's Role in Unlocking Namibian Innovation Potential	Mr Kenneth S. Matomola NAMFISA – CEO
11:30	Photo Session	
11:35	Recap and Announcements	Ms Joannette Eises Master of Ceremonies
11:45	Lunch Entertainment provided by Lize Ehlers	
12:40	Commencement of Formalities	Ms Joannette Eises Master of Ceremonies
13:00	Address 1: The Startup Opportunity in Africa	Mr Daniel Simwaba Zambezi Capital – Co-COO and Co-CEO
13:30	Panel 1: Enabling Innovation – The NAMFISA Regulatory Sandbox Experience	Moderator: Ms Victoria Mutango Raimond NAMFISA – Manager: Corporate Communications and Consumer Education Panellists: 1. Mr David Iileka – Lunkir – Co-founder and CEO 2. Mr Gabriel Indombo – Verime Namibia – Associate
14:15	Address 2: Building the Namibian Startup Ecosystem	Ms Linda McLeod NIPDB – Manager: Startup and Scale Mr Grant Balie NCRST – Manager: Innovation and Industrial Research
14:45	Coffee Break	
15:00	Panel 2: From Idea to Innovation and Investment – What Startups Need	Moderator: Ms Niita Shikongo Basecamp Business Incubator – Events, Marketing and Communications Manager Panellists: 1. Mr Jesaya Hano-Oshike – Bellatrix Investment 2. Ms Vivette Rittmann – Namibia Innovation !Hub Consultant 3. Mr Jessé Liula Schiceya – PatientCare – CEO 4. Mr Josephat Mwatotele – Destiny Investment Group – Private Investor
15:45	Wrap Up and Announcements	Ms Joannette Eises Master of Ceremonies
16:00	Closure of Program	

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TIME	ACTIVITY	PRESENTER
09:00	Arrival and Networking Entertainment provided by The Yesterdays	
09:30	Recap of Day 1	Ms Joannette Eises Master of Ceremonies
09:40	Address 3: From Startup to Scale	Ms Darlene Menzies FinFind – CEO
10:20	Research Spotlight: Alternative Finance in the Namibian Non-Bank Financial Sector	Ms Rosalia Mboti NAMFISA – Policy Advisor
10:55	Coffee Break	
11:10	Address 4: Enabling Infrastructure for Digital Transformation	Ms Helene Vosloo CRAN – Executive: Economics and Market Development
11:50	Panel 3: Laying the Foundation: Entrepreneurship and Tech Skills	Moderator: Ms Gloria Heita NAMFISA – Change Management Specialist Panellists: 1. Ms Valerie Garises – NUST – Director: Technology, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 2. Mr Leonard Imene – UNAM – Innovation and Business Development Coordinator 3. Mr Timoteus Ashipala Sheepo – IUM – Senior Lecturer and Dean of ICT faculty 4. Ms Chantal Claasen – Independent Business Development Consultant 5. Ms Emily Shikwamhanda – RLabs Namibia – Country Coordinator
12:30	Closing Remarks	Mr Abel Sindano NAMFISA – General Manager: Research, Policy and Statistics
12:45	Wrap Up and Closure of Program	Ms Joannette Eises Master of Ceremonies
12:50	Exhibition Walk-Through	Ms Anneke Els NAMFISA – FinTech Specialist