

Sub-Project Disclosure Summary

22 October 2026



Sub-Project name	Diaz Wind Power	Location	12km south of the town of Lüderitz
Borrower / Sponsor	InnoVent Namibia	Sector / sub-sector	Wind Power Farm – Independent Power Producer
Country	Namibia	E&S risk category	B
Purpose of the activities	Diaz Wind Power (the “Project”) is a 44 MW utility-scale wind farm near Lüderitz. Under a 25-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with NamPower, the national power utility, it supplies renewable electricity to Namibia’s national grid. The Project expands domestic renewable generation capacity, diversifies Namibia’s electricity supply, and reduces dependence on predominantly coal-fired electricity imports from South Africa. It is therefore expected to replace non-renewable energy with cleaner renewable power and contribute to lower greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.		
Nature of the activities	Construction, commissioning and operation of an onshore wind farm comprising ten turbines (four 2 MW and six 6 MW units), with internal access roads, internal electrical cabling, an on-site substation and operations and maintenance facilities. Electricity is exported to the NamPower grid via a 132 kV transmission line, which was subject to a separate environmental assessment. Construction is being undertaken by specialist contractors, and the first installed turbines are already operational. Operations and maintenance are undertaken by InnoSun, a member of the InnoVent Group.		
Scale of the activities	Installed capacity: 44 MW Site area: Approximately 16 km ² Workforce: 40–80 construction workers (varying with activity) and 8 permanent operations staff		
Intended beneficiaries	Namibian electricity consumers: Households and businesses benefit from additional domestic renewable electricity supplied to the national grid via NamPower. Lüderitz and the wider Karas Region: Construction and operations employment, local procurement of goods and services, and skills transfer.		
Duration of proposed activities	Construction: Under way, with the first installed turbines already operational. Full commercial operation is expected in Q1 2027. Operations: 25 years from commercial operation under the PPA with NamPower. Decommissioning: At the end of the operational life, infrastructure will be removed and disturbed areas rehabilitated in line with the EMP, subject to approval by the environmental regulatory authority.		
Summary of stakeholder consultations undertaken	Public participation was undertaken as part of the ESIA process, in line with Namibia’s Environmental Management Act (2007). Given delays in implementing the Project, several rounds of public participation were conducted over a period of 18 years. • 2000: public meetings in Windhoek and Lüderitz (9–10 November 2000), attended by 54 people, supported by newspaper notices and letters to stakeholders. • 2007: consultation with the Directorate of Environmental Affairs and the Karas Regional Council. • 2011: a new round of consultation following changes in project ownership and scope. This included newspaper advertisements, a Background Information Document, focus meetings with national, regional and local authorities (attended by 21 officials), and a public meeting in Lüderitz on 15 September 2011. Comments were invited from 25 August to 23 September 2011. • 2012: a final two-week public comment period (15–29 June 2012). • 2018: a biodiversity workshop with the Ministry of Environment and Tourism and the national parks authority, supported by independent biodiversity advisors. Key issues raised included impacts on birds and brown hyena, disturbance of sensitive succulent vegetation, interference with Lüderitz airport, closure and rehabilitation, communication with the community, and local employment and business opportunities. These were addressed through additional bird, brown hyena and aviation safety studies; a revised turbine layout that avoids the most sensitive vegetation areas; and local employment and procurement measures in the EMP. Beyond the public participation process, the Project has continued to engage with stakeholders as per the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) in the ESMS.		
Planned stakeholder engagement process	A SEP is in place as part of the Project’s Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS). Ongoing engagement covers: • environmental and national parks authorities, through regular compliance audits and reporting as required under the EMP and the Environmental Clearance Certificate; • NamPower, as offtaker and grid operator; NamDeb, which manages access to the restricted diamond area; and local and regional authorities, including the Lüderitz Town Council; • conservation organisations and specialists involved in biodiversity monitoring; and • workers and contractors, through inductions, training and the worker grievance mechanism.		

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Available grievance mechanism(s)

External grievance mechanism: a grievance mechanism for external stakeholders, including affected and potentially affected communities, groups and individuals, is in place as part of the Project's ESMS. The EMP also requires a complaints register to be maintained during operations.

Worker grievance mechanism: a grievance mechanism for employees and contract workers is included in the Project's Worker Labour Management Plan.

Planned enhancements: under the ESAP, the Project will raise awareness of the grievance mechanisms among staff and stakeholders. The mechanisms will be updated to explicitly receive complaints relating to gender-based violence and sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment, with confidential, survivor-centred handling and referral pathways.