

Unlocking the full value of Critical Raw Materials (CRM)

**From Exploration to Beneficiation,
Processing and Recycling**

EU-Namibia Business Forum 2026



Mining and CRM sector as a Strategic Pillar of the Namibian economy

Enabler of industrialisation, macroeconomic stability and export competitiveness

GDP Contribution

13.3% - 14.4%

Fiscal Revenue

Contributes > NAD7.3 billion annually

Export Scale

Generates > 50% of foreign exchange earnings

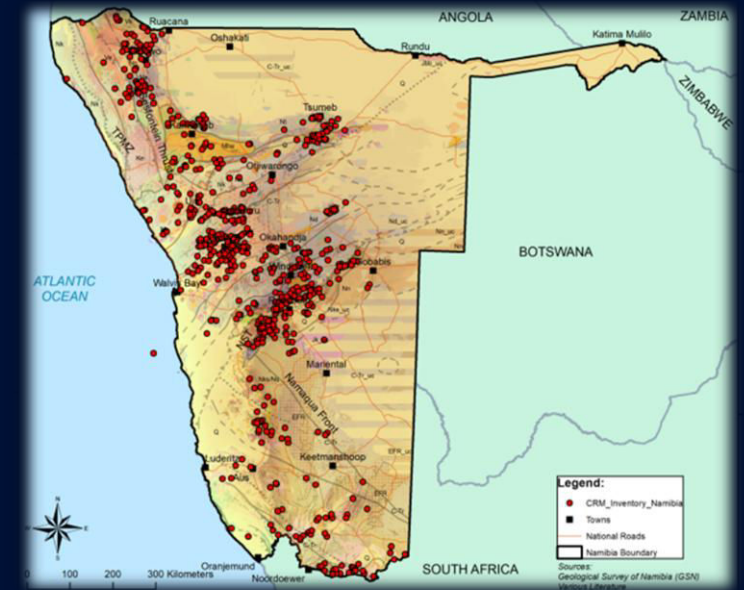
Employment

20,800 direct jobs

145,900 indirect jobs

The Resource

2,640 mineral occurrences, with 679 CRM-relevant sites identified (Lithium, REEs, Cobalt, Graphite)



Moving from extraction to beneficiation

The shift towards Namibian value-added processing, integrated supply chain participation and tech-enabled beneficiation

The CRM Value Chain and subsectors

- Large Scale Mining
- Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining (ASM)
- Mining-related MSMEs and Services
- Downstream Beneficiation and Adjacent Industries

Through long-term industrial partnerships, blended finance, regulatory alignment and infrastructure investment, Namibia aims to position itself as a trusted, ESG-compliant and strategically aligned partner to the EU

Mutual beneficiation through the EU-Namibia Business Forum

Commitments and Collaboration: EU-Namibia Business Forum



Namibia Seeks from the ENBF

- Investment in Exploration and Geological Database
- Long-Term Offtake Agreements and Market Access
- Financing and Risk-Sharing mechanisms
- Value Addition, Technology Transfer
- Investment in Laboratories R&D
- Technical Assistance and Institutional Capacity Building

EU Seeks from the ENBF

- Secure and Diversified Supply Chains
- ESG and Responsible Sourcing Compliance
- Investment Opportunities Across the Value Chain
- Industrial Partnerships and Value Addition
- Regulatory Certainty and Policy Alignment

Programme

EU–Namibia CRM Cooperation Agenda

14:30 – 14:35

Welcome

14:35 – 14:45

Keynote Address: **Positioning Namibia as Strategic CRM Partner for Europe**
Hon. Modestus Amutse, Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy

14:45 – 14:55

EU as Strategic Partner for Namibia on Sustainable Raw Materials Value Chains
Mr. Gonalo Leito

14:55 – 15:10

Namibia's Mineral Project Pipeline
Dr. Andreas Salom and Mrs. Lauren Graham

15:10 – 15:20

Industry Case Study: Andrada
Mr. Frans van Daalen

15:20 – 15:45

Panel Discussion: Unlocking Value Across the CRM Value Chain

15:45 – 15:55

Q&A

15:55 – 16:00

Closing Remarks
Mr. Fabian Shaanika

