

Namibia Green Hydrogen Conference

NAMIBIA NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

GREEN HYDROGEN (GH2)

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Namibia Green Hydrogen Research Institute



UNAM established and hosts a Namibia Green Hydrogen Research Institute in October 2021

Goals

- research and development hub
- provides for exchange of expertise
- upskill and reskill mid-level to professional levels
- Collaborate with organisations who develop local businesses

Staffing

- UNAM has seconded 2 x dedicated staff for coordination to the NGHRI
 - Researchers and students
 - Exchange staff and students from international institutions
 - Experts from private sector and government
 - Post docs, Masters and Doctoral Students



NGHRI Structure



Namibia Green Hydrogen Research Institute (NGHRI)

Centre for clean Hydrogen Production Centre for Hydrogen Storage, New Materials, and Delivery

Centre for Hydrogen Fuel Cell Technology, and Mobility Applications Centre for
Hydrogen
Energy Use,
Economics,
Law,
Environment
and Society

Centre for Hydrogen Capacity Building, Competence, and Standards

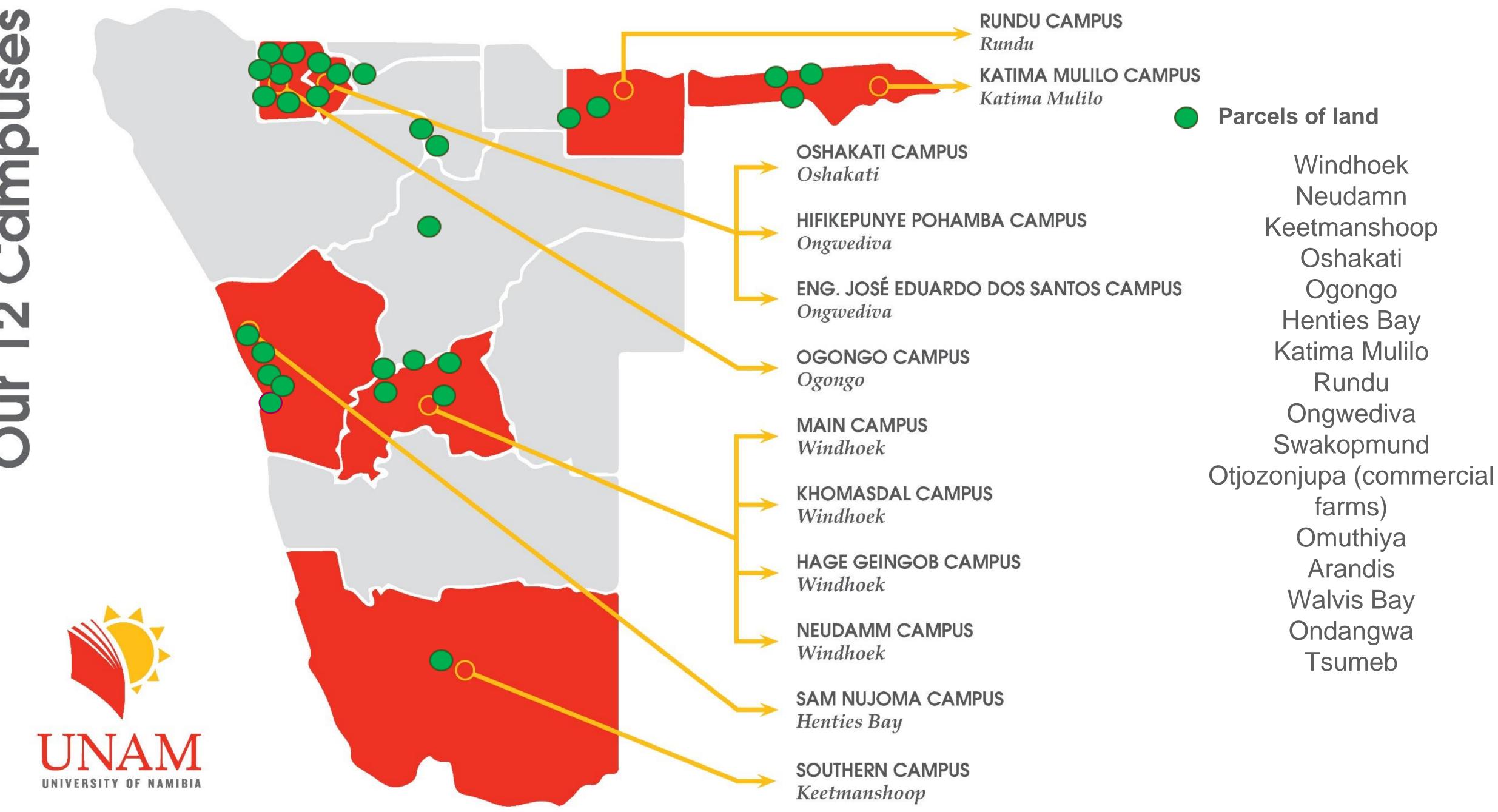
Centre for Hydrogen Digital and Emerging Technologies

Formulation of enabling policies, end use and environmental sustainability options for widespread hydrogen energy usage

UNAM's strengths to support NHRI and Green Hydrogen



- Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation as strategic goal
- Successful pilots in desalination and renewable energy (wind, solar and biomass)
- Already 70+ researchers across UNAM working in Green Hydrogen related research areas
- Curriculum Review and Transformation of selected programmes (with partners)
- Lab certification and accreditation exercise. / Lab infrastructure
- An entrepreneurship and innovation incubation centre
- Full-time researchers in two research/scientific centers to support NGHRI
- Campuses and land country-wide
- Track record of multiple commissioned research projects conducted successfully
- Large agriculture footprint for expanding green schemes and offtake of fertilizer
- Host to the world's largest gamma-ray telescope system (HESS) and acquiring another telescope
- Will commence with three GH2 pilot projects with partners under JCol
- Commenced with hosting exchange researchers and students in Green Hydrogen









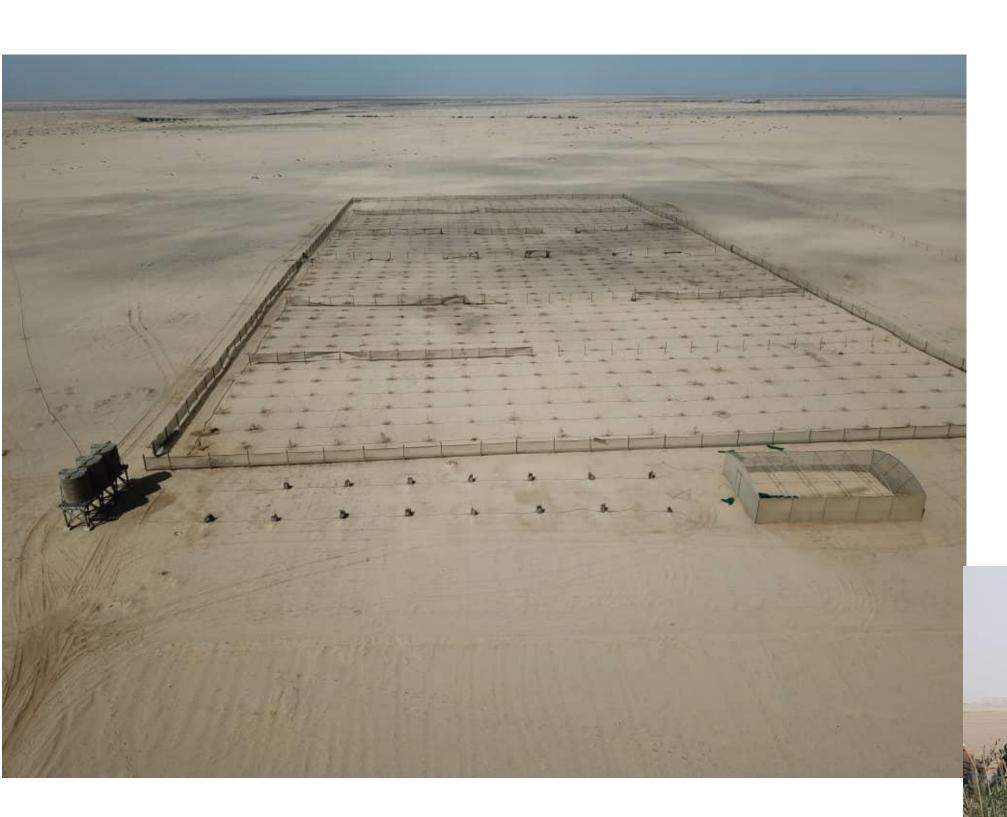
Desalination and water bottling pilot

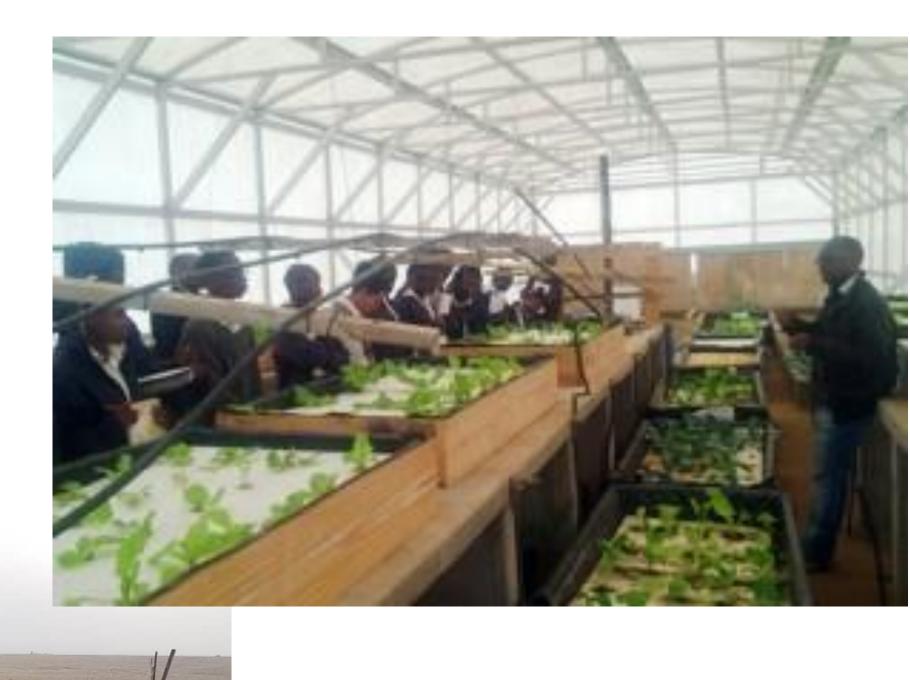






Desalination excess water – desert agriculture and hydroponics











3.5 kW per turbine, total rated power = 10.5 kW.
5 community technicians trained on operation & maintenance of the wind power plant

Images: https://bit.ly/3QuW1cS

Key Insights



Pilots - show impact

Regulatory Sandboxes

Skills and Research Needs

Research Chairships and Scholarships

Need specialist skills for training of trainers

A critical mass of people trained – replicators

Green Hydrogen needs different layers of skilled personnel

Capacity building also for entrepreneurs and unemployed youth

Coordination and collaboration for skills development is a prerequisite!

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