

Overview

Research, Science and Technology Act No 23 of 2004

- Established NCRST and National RST Fund
- Coordinate, promote & develop research, science, technology & innovation (RSTI)
- RSTI Funding
- National facilities
- National RSTI data
- Councils (e.g. biosafety council, space council, IKS council)
- Development of National Programme on Research, Science, Technology and Innovation (National Research Agenda)







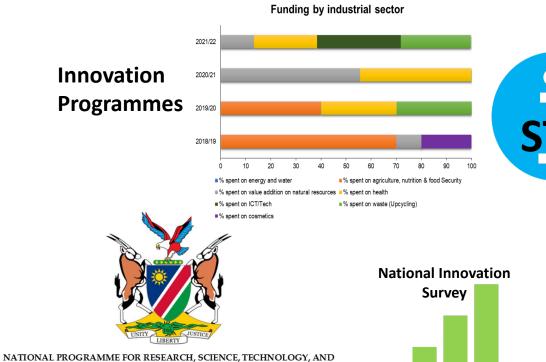
National Maths Olympiad



National Space Week



National Science Week



INNOVATION II

Investing in Our Nation's Future



National Science Fair





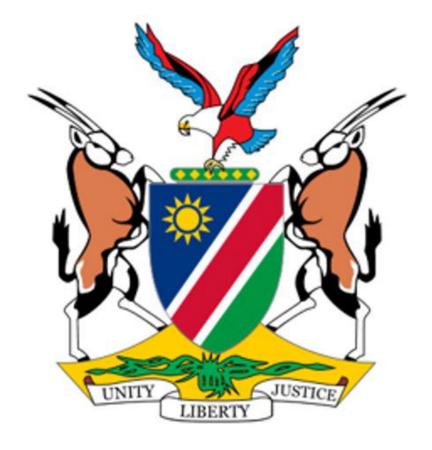






2023 to 2027





NATIONAL PROGRAMME FOR RESEARCH, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION II

Investing in Our Nation's Future





National Research Agenda: Oil and Gas

- Defines priorities for RSTI in Namibia, especially research priorities – oil and gas
- Outlines research and interventions to be undertaken
- Outlines research calls: funded, unfunded, partially funded
 - Research Infrastructure national
 - Research Chairs in specific areas in Oil and Gas
 - Seed funding
 - Post docs, PhD and Master students
 - Equipment
 - Consortia
- Research/er capacity development
- Pilot projects





Capacity Building: Considerations

R&D in oil and gas, synthetic fuels and green hydrogen is specialized and capital intensive

- Namibia R&D survey: less than 3000 FTE researchers in the country
- Mix of formal degrees, vocational training, apprenticeships, internships, short certifications require
- Certification & accreditation important trainer, trainees, equipment
- Specialized academies and national research facilities needed
- Multiple areas to be covered (Strategy and Masterplan to 2030 and beyond), e.g.
 - Contingency planning, disaster and risk management
 - Environmental concerns
 - Technological innovations
 - Regulatory and Policy factors
 - Community impact
 - Market impact
 - Diversification strategies
 - Evaluate memberships to international bodies and signing treaties, e.g Global Subsea Response Network
- Collaboration and knowledge-sharing important nationally and internationally



