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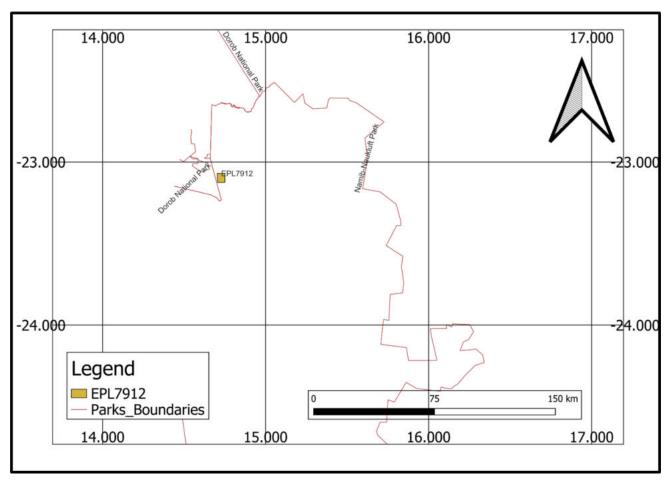


Figure 1: The location of the proposed mineral exploration project, EPL 7912 in the Namib Naukluft National Park.

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# Hartzenberg Becomes First in Namibia to Attain **Dual Chartered Accountant Designations**



Piorian Hartzenberg has achieved a significant tants of Namibia (ICAN), acknowledged the fruitmilestone by becoming the first profession-al accountant in Namibia to acquire both the Chartered Accountant, Namibia (CA(NAM)) and Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA) designations.

This accomplishment follows the collaborative efforts between the accounting bodies, particularly the Membership Pathway Agreement established between the Institute of Chartered. Accountants of Namibia (ICAN) and CIMA (Chartered Institute of Management Accoun-

Expressing gratitude towards CIMA and ICAN for their joint initiative in enhancing the skills of finance professionals across Africa, Hartzenberg emphasised the significance of this achievement in his career journey.

"As the first CIMA member in Namibia to navigate the membership pathway agreement with ICAN, I'm deeply honoured by this historic achievement. It has always been my ambition to become a chartered accountant in Namibia, and I'm thrilled to realise this dream. Complet-ing CIMA's CGMA Professional Qualification and earning the CGMA designation was pivot-al in reaching this milestone," he said.

He believes that his accomplishment could serve as inspiration for fellow accountants and aspiring professionals, emphasising the importance of dedication, perseverance, and collaborative efforts within the industry.

"I am excited to continue advancing the accounting profession in Namibia and beyond," added Hartzenberg.

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ful outcome of the collaboration between ICAN and CIMA through Hartzenberg's achievement.

The five-year dual designation agreement signed between CIMA and ICAN in February 2023 enables ICAN members to benefit from the CGMA designation, distinguishing them for their advanced proficiency in finance, operations, strategy, and management.

\*Congratulations to Hartzenberg for his outstanding achievement, holding the two designations will distinguish him from his peers and he will enjoy the respect and benefits that come with holding both the CA(NAM) and CGMA designations," she said.

Tariro Mutizwa, Regional Vice President Africa of CIMA, echoed Hartzenberg's sentiments, emphasizing the po-tential to inspire members from both ICAN and CIMA who aspire to attain dual designa-

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Eligible ICAN members seeking the CGMA designation will benefit from exemptions from 15 out of CIMA's 16 CGMA examinations

Similarly, CIMA members aiming for the CA(-NAM) designation will need to hold active ACMA, FCMA, or CGMA designations.

They must complete an accredited ICAN Professional Programme preparatory course, the ICAN Tax Course, and the ICAN APC, which is the final qualifying examination for Chartered Accountants in Namibia.



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#### Wednesday, 03 April 2024









## BoN Declares N\$511.5 Million Towards Govt's Revenue



The Bank of Namibia (BoN) has declared a dividend of N\$511.5 million to the government, which is about N\$100 million from what it declared last year.

This was announced by BoN Governor Johannes 'Gawaxab during the launch of the central bank's 2023 Annual Report on Tuesday.

According to Gawaxab, the central bank's financial performance in 2023 was shaped by a high-interest-rate environment, contributing to a significant expansion of its balance sheet to nearly N\$62 billion by year-end.

BoN's assets experienced an 18% increase from N\$52.36 billion in 2022 to N\$61.92 billion in 2023.

Additionally, the central bank's total income rose from N\$1.1 billion in 2022 to N\$1.6 billion in 2023.

Furthermore, the available distribution amount surged from N\$772 million to N\$956 million in 2023, leading to the declaration of a dividend of N\$511 million to the government.

"That is almost N\$100 million more than the N\$430 million declared in 2022," stated the governor.

During 2023, the central bank reported a noteworthy 79% increase in net interest income, rising from N\$554.55 million in 2022 to N\$990.52 million in 2023, attributed to higher interest rates and increased average investment balances.

Gawaxab emphasised that despite global and domestic economic challenges, the financial system remained stable, robust, and resilient throughout 2023, with strong capitalisation and liquidity well above prudential requirements.

Although capital adequacy experienced a slight decline from 16.9% in 2022 to 16.6% in 2023, liquidity improved by 4.7%, reaching N\$26.5 billion in 2023.

Moreover, the banking sector demonstrated solid profitability throughout 2023, indicating resilience amid economic uncertainties. "Namibia's financial system remains resilient, stable, and sound amidst lower, slower economic growth and high interest rates," stated Gawaxab.

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In 2023, the Bank of Namibia's report indicated a notable shift in Namibia's interest rate trajectory, with the Monetary Policy Committee raising the repurchase rate by 100 basis points at three separate meetings, reaching 7.75%, compared to the 6.75% rate observed in 2022.

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- Completion Fluids
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PROPONENT: PGX - MALTA (Pty) Lt.

PUBLIC MEETING: A Public consultation meeting will be held on \$ April 2024 at the following venue and time:

10:00 - 11:00 at Walvis Bay Municipality Side Hall, Walvis Bay

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# 3 MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE EXPLORATION OF MINERALS ON EPL 7912

#### 3.1 CORRESPONDANCE WITH IAPs

Dear Outrun Consultancy,

Trust all is well.

The below information was shared with our office and we as TASA (Tour and Safaris Association of Namibia) would like to register ourselves.

Kindly advise should you require any further information.

Kind Regards,

Mureal van Rooyen

Tour and Safari Association of Namibia

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From: Martin Hirsch <martin.hirsch@gmx.com>

Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2024 10:41 AM

To: paintball@iway.na Subject: Input to EIA

4 Request to register as an interested and affeced party: EPL7909 and 7912

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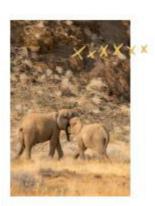
Good morning Josiah,

As an interested and affected party we wish to request the BID's for EPL7909 and EPL7912. We are very concerned about the impact the dimension stone exploration activities will have on the environment of the National Park and would like the opportunity to bring our concerns to bear on the EIA and, as a result, ensure the MEFT gives this request the necessary attention.

I look forward to hearing from you.

#### Hanneke





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EIA - BID comments by I&Aps (EPL7909&EPL7912)
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Martin Hirsch Tue, 16 Apr, 16:00 (1 day ago) to me

Dear Joshua

May I recall that the advertised meeting did not take place; you communicated late and without appropriated times indicated.

The many emails I did send out in trying to figure out what is planned remained unanswered.

You cannot expect the public rushing into the desert waiting to meet you some time during a day.

As such your meeting, was held onsite without specific times or venue indicated and as such is contradictory to a "formal" meeting.

The regulations do not specifically require that an "Open public meeting" is held. Seeing that you advertised this in this form however, indicates that that is the process you chose to follow.

You than should have been more specific and it would have made more sense to arrange a meeting in town (either Swakop and / or Walvis Bay).

Seeing that this did not work out as expected I may advise first comments concerning the BID.

I may advise that I reserve the right to expand on those; my comments resemble a first analyses of what the document contains and what is missing.

In appropriate time I will expand on those.

I recon for starters it will help you to understand the significance and expanded efforts required when performing an EIA for activities within a national park.

Section 3.4 mentioning "existing gravel roads and tracks, as well as access tracks developed from historic exploration activities".

As this is a key issue relating to exploration activities; especially in the park, I assume that you will show these "existing roads and tracks" on a map.

Of interest are furthermore the TARGET AREAS for exploration; one would like to see how they will be reached and with which new roads / tracks this access is to be made. Rehabilitation of these becomes a significant requirement in your EMP; I assume you will address this appropriately in a later report or final draft report.

It is understood that the Target areas are not all well-known at this stage – but it would be good to indicate where the target areas would be.

I could not see any references to target areas in the BID (nor on a map, nor any attachments to the BID).

I guess it's OK for the BID, however, one will have to discuss in the following reports and (where possible) show on a map or set of maps.

One will expect to see clear management and mitigation measures developed around all the associated aspects.

Section 3.5 states that "the following exploration program has been approved by the Ministry of Mines and Energy ...". I may comment that this is entirely dependent on the ECC which will be based on an approved EIA – assessing all these activities, etc.

Section 5.1 again states that "EPL7909 is accessible by the existing gravel roads and tracks. Exploration activities will utilize the many existing and accessible roads and tracks" Therefore – will no new track be made? I may refer to my comments above.

Furthermore, you did not provide timelines for the EIA. It's of interest to us is by when the Draft report(s) is/ will be expected to be ready for review by I&Aps.

I assume you will notify all I&Aps via an email informing us of the review period for the draft reports.

Kind Regards

Martin Hirsch

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From: Outrun Consultants cc <outrungreeninfo@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, 10 April 2024 5:25 PM

To: Martin Hirsch <Martin.Hirsch@reptile.com.na>; Karl Siegel <karls@mbhenergy.com>; hamunyela05@gmail.com; Riaan Solomon

<riaansolomon@yahoo.com>

Subject: Fwd: MEETING POINTS FOR EPL7909 AND 7912 PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS MEETINGS

Dear IAP

Attached is the kmz file for the directions to the meeting points of the two sites. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns?

Regards

Josiah

----- Forwarded message ------

From: Outrun Consultants cc <outrungreeninfo@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Apr 9, 2024, 15:37

Subject: MEETING POINTS FOR EPL7909 AND 7912 PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

**MEETINGS** 

To: NSS <mark@nssnamibia.com>

FYI

Dear Pieter

Outrun consultants CC are currently entertaining EIAs for 2 EPLs someone applied for in the national park. One of the EPLs is over parts of the C28 close to Swakopmund.

The company applies for exploration for dimension stones plus other commodities.

Of concern is the dimension stone part of the application.

Ministry of Mines considered granting a renewal, MEFT now needs to issue an environmental clearance certificate (ECC) for the renewal to go through.

I like to sensitice the tourism sector to be register as Interesetd and Affected party; I believe you need to have some inputs into the EIA process.

General background is that exploration and mining in the park, when done properly is manageable. It however needs companies who care and who do proper business;

have resources and good reputations and good relations with the park authorities, despite one needs to be able to rehabilitate.

Dimension stone quarrying by nature does not fall into this category. No rehabilitation

efforts can repair the visible damages of a cut away mountain.

We have sufficient evidence throughout the country, with stone quarries left open with

undersize blocks and rubble covering the abandoned areas; no-one ever will clean this

up; cannot.

This as the basic background for my contacting you.

I like to encourage you to register the association to request the respective BIDs

(background information document) for EPL7909 and 7912.

EPL 7909 being the critical one as it covers parts of the C28 close to the Van Stryk pit.

I encourage you to refgister as an intersted and affected party.

I am concerned that if MEFT is not allerted and pointed to the the implecations allowing

dimension stone exploration has as it will ask for mining lateron.

I believe Dimension Stone Quarrying, should not be allowed inside the park; only

outside.

Please register via an email request to Outrun Consultancy CC, Windhoek

(outrungreeninfo@gmail.com)

I attach the advert below and the full page as pdf, ex 2nd April in the Windhoek

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Regards

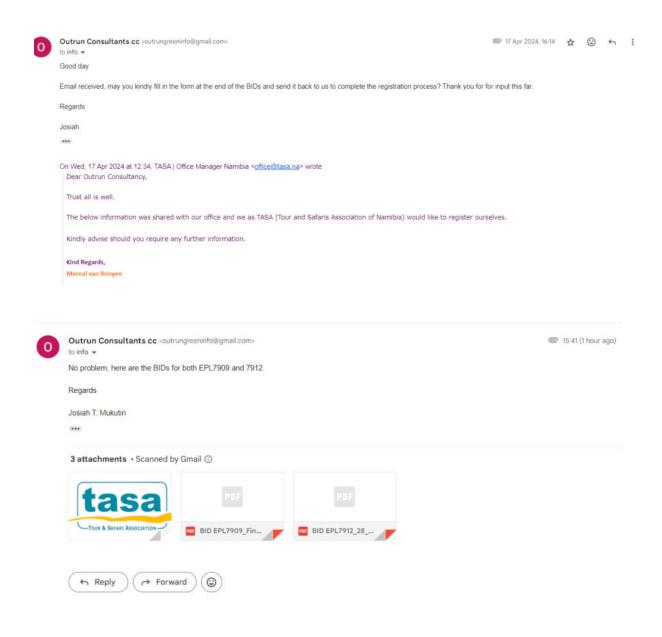
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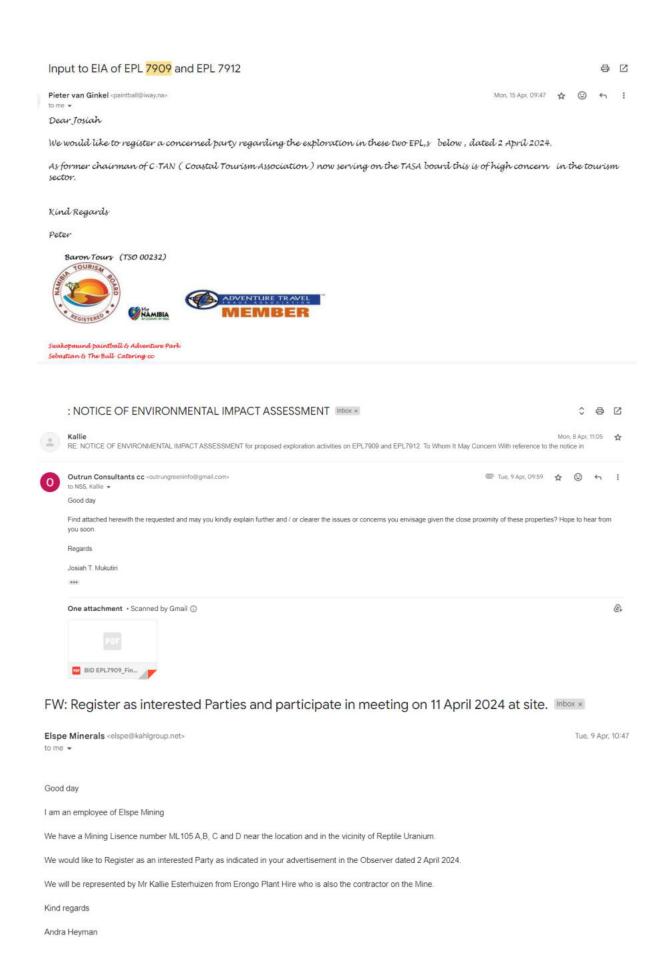
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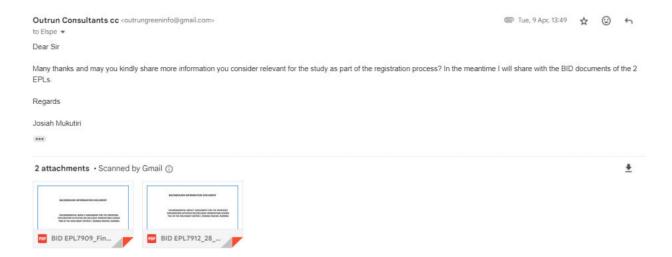
Dear Martin,

As discussed, please find attached the Windhoek Observer Page 15 – and the specific

advertisement.







#### **Completed IAP Registration Forms**

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Please register me as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) to receive ongoing communication about the EIA process and the proposed project.

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