

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESMENT PRACTITIONER

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Professional Summary

Environmental Assessment Practitioner with strong expertise in Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs), Environmental Management Plans (EMPs), and stakeholder engagement for projects in oil, gas, mining, and infrastructure. Founder of Earth Environmental Services, offering consultancy in environmental permitting, compliance, and advisory services.

Professional Experience

- **Founder & Lead Environmental Consultant**, *Earth Environmental Services* (Present)
Leads EIAs, EMPs, ECC applications, stakeholder consultation, and compliance monitoring.
- **Independent Senior Technical Consultant**, *Risk-Based Solutions* (Aug 2021 – Present)
Provides permitting and technical advisory, and stakeholder engagement for extractive industries.
- **Radiation Safety Support**, *Matcon Investment CC* (Aug 2024 – Present)
Delivers radiation monitoring and compliance support for mining and industrial projects.
- **Environmental Consultant**, *Environmental Compliance Consultancy CC* (2020–2021)
Managed EIA/EMP reports and ECC renewals for multi-sectoral projects.
- **Intern**, *Ministry of Mines and Energy – Petroleum Affairs* (2020–2021)
Reviewed EIAs, oil spill plans, and site assessments for fuel stations.
- **Graduate Intern**, *GIZ/MET – CBNRM Project* (2017)
Supported stakeholder engagement and project management.
- **Intern**, *South African Science of Climate Change Project* (2016)
Assisted in research, mapping, and newsletter content creation.

Education & Certifications

- **MSc. Environmental Management (Oil & Gas Pathway)** – *Distinction*
Glasgow Caledonian University, UK, 2018
- **BSc. Environmental Biology (Hons)**
University of Namibia, 2016
- **Advanced Project Management**, University of Cape Town (2023)

- **Radiation Safety Officer – Industrial Applications**, Matcon Investment CC (2024)

Key Projects as Environmental Assessment Practitioner (selected)

Environmental Assessment Practitioner & Stakeholder Consultant

Offshore Oil & Gas Exploration (Seismic & Electromagnetic Surveys)

- Led or supported ECC applications, EIAs, EMPs, and stakeholder consultations for 2D/3D seismic and CSEM surveys in Walvis, Lüderitz, and Orange Basins.
- Clients include:
 - Electromagnetic Geoservices (EMGS) ASA
 - ECO Atlantic Oil & Gas
 - CGG Exploration (UK) Ltd
 - PGS Exploration (UK) Ltd
 - TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Company
 - Eastern Echo / SLB
 - Searchers UK Limited

Oil & Gas Support Infrastructure

- ECC and EMP for warehousing and logistics base developments supporting offshore operations.
 - Client: Shanya Energy (Pty) Ltd
- ECC amendment for upgrade of Oranjemund Aviation Base (OLAB).
- Upgrade of Kerbehuk Communication Station – ECC renewal & compliance.
 - Client: Debmarine Namibia (Pty) Ltd

Environmental Compliance & Monitoring

- ECC renewals and environmental monitoring for mining and oil sector projects.
 - Clients: Debmarine Namibia, MEL Oil & Gas, SLB

Radiation Safety & Technical Advisory

- Radiation safety services for industrial and mining operations.
 - Client: Matcon Investment CC

Onshore Oil & Gas Exploration (Kavango Basin)

- EIAs, EMPs, and stakeholder engagement for well drilling, seismic survey amendments, and aerial surveys.

- Client: Reconnaissance Energy Namibia

Operational Procedures & Readiness Plans

- Development of environmental operational procedures and EMP training.
 - Clients: Lepidico Chemical Namibia, Reconnaissance Energy Namibia

Minerals & Other Applications

- Various applications for mining claims and exclusive prospecting licenses.
(Full list available upon request)

References

Dr. Sindila Mwiya

Technical Permitting Advisor / International Resources Consultant
Risk-Based Solutions (RBS) CC

Ms. Maggy Shino

Petroleum Commissioner
Ministry of Mines and Energy – Petroleum Affairs

Dr. Vera Uushona

Radiation Specialist
Matcon Investment CC
