



# Transport, Mobility and Logistics in Namibia

## Background

The transport system is of great importance for the Namibian economy. It is the foundation for development in the country, giving the population access to their workplaces, markets, and social and health care facilities.

In order to expand the transport sector further, the country needs qualified specialists in the ministries and subordinated authorities as well as in businesses and the academic and research community.

The Fourth National Development Plan defines Namibia's transformation into a regional logistics hub for the Southern African Development Community (SADC) as a key priority. However, the legal and organisational requirements for implementation are not yet in place.

## Impacts of the Project

- Establishment of Bachelor and Master in Civil Engineering with more than 500 students
- Development of Transport Sector Plan based on National Development Plan
- Sustainable Urban Transport Master Plan (SUTMP) for the city of Windhoek
- Introduction of 24 modern, efficient buses in Windhoek
- Fostering of non-motorised transport such as walking and cycling
- Working on Road Safety Council and restructuring of Road Fund Administration

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In Cooperation with	KfW
National Partners	Ministry of Works and Transport (MWT)
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New Bus in Windhoek, Namibia



## Project Goals

- Qualification of Transport, Mobility and Logistic Specialists
- Support Namibia in becoming a regional champion of logistics for economic growth
- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in the transport sector



Identifying transport needs of local residents

## Strategy

The project’s central partner organisations are Ministry of Works and Transport (MWT) and its subordinated public sector entities, the Ministry of Urban and Rural Development, municipal councils in Windhoek and the northern regions, and the country’s two universities, the University of Namibia and the Namibian University of Science and Technology.

The project cooperates with KfW Development Bank, which has been engaged in the Namibian road traffic sector since 1991 and whose activities in the priority area of transport are currently focused on road construction. The development of a training course for road maintenance technicians and the training of specialists in the ministries and in the private sector have positive effects on job opportunities

**Better qualification for better jobs!**

The Namibian Transport Policy was produced in 2016 and the project team is now advising MWT on putting it into practice. The partners are setting up implementation and management structures and carrying out individual legislative projects, and the project is supporting institutional measures. To expand sustainable transport, the project is providing advice to MWT, the municipal council of Windhoek and regional and municipal authorities in the northern regions on creating suitable institutional structures and preparing and implementing measures as part of local master plans. Sector-specific and process advice is also being given to the implementation unit established by the government to help it set up a management and implementation structure and develop a marketing strategy.

For stakeholders in the logistics sector, the project is organising training and professional development opportunities. In the field of tertiary education, the project is continuing to support the establishment of the engineering faculty, train teaching staff and hold lectures.

Every year more than 600 Namibians lose their lives in road accidents. The poor management of road safety, law enforcement and deficits in the licensing system in Namibia are main reasons that the trend is worsening. In the field of Road Safety, the project supports the National Road Safety Council (NRSC) in the development of a legal framework responding to Namibia’s road safety challenges, road safety campaigns and trainings. Furthermore NRSC develops a database for accidents which will be an integral instrument for road safety in Namibia.



Promoting non-motorised transport

The traffic units of the police force are an important stakeholder for road safety. Police officers have been trained in traffic law enforcement and road safety issues and a curriculum for Advanced Training is going to be developed.

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