



**CLOSING REMARKS**

**BY**

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**VICE CHAIRPERSON OF THE NAMIBIAN STANDARDS COUNCIL**

**ON THE OCCASION OF NATIONAL QUALITY AWARD  
CEREMENONY WITH THE LAUNCH OF THE NATIONAL  
STANDARDISATION STRATEGY AND THE WORLD STANDARDS  
DAY CELEBRATION.**

**14 OCTOBER 2025**

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**Director of Ceremonies;**

**Honourable Natangue Ithete, MP, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Ministry of Industries, Mines and Energy;**

**Honourable Gaudentia Krohne, Deputy Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy;**

**Mr. Moses Pakote, Executive Director of the Ministry of Industries, Mines and Energy;**

**Mr. Paul Kalenga, Chairperson of Namibian Standards Council and Fellow Members of the Namibian Standards Council;**

**Dr. Eino Mvula, CEO of the Namibian Standards Institution and your Team;**

**Senior representatives of the Ministry of Industries, Mines and Energy and other government officials;**

**Members of the NSI's Technical Committees;**

**Esteemed Sponsors of both the for the National Quality Awards and the National standardisation strategy;**

**Distinguished NSS Task Force Members;**

**Distinguished participants of the 2025 National Quality Awards and the Judges of the Awards;**

**Esteemed Captains of Industry;**

**Distinguished Invited Guests;**

**Members of the media;**

**Ladies and Gentlemen.**

Good evening,

1. My task for tonight is very simple and straightforward. I was requested to thank all of you for your presence and contribution to the success of this national event.
2. We have now concluded the commemoration of the World Standards Day 2025, the National Quality Awards Ceremony, as well as the official launch of the National Standardization Strategy. Tonight, we have paid tribute to all the thousands of experts who actively participate in development of standards worldwide.
3. It is a privilege and a great honour for me to extend a vote of thanks to all those who have contributed to the success of this event.
4. The NSI will continue to engage stakeholders through an inclusive approach to ensure their full participation in standardization activities for the benefit of the Namibian economy and its people.
5. Allow me to on behalf of the NSI and the Namibian Standards Council (NSC), to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Guest of Honor, Honourable Natangue Ithete, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy, as well as the Deputy Minister, Honourable Gaudentia Krohne for blessing this important event with your presence today. We are cognizant of other equally important engagement that you had to sacrifice to be

with us tonight. Your presence here tonight has given this event the much-needed national endorsement it truly deserves.

6. Let me also at this juncture convey my gratitude to the National Standardization Strategy (NSS) Task Force Members from both public and private sector as and the consultants, Mr. Salomo Hei and Mr. David Eboku for interpretation and synthesis of the data which lead to the subsequent development of the final document which was launched by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy here tonight.
7. Further, it gives me pleasure to extend appreciation the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Namibia, and the EU-SADC EPA, for providing funding that culminated in the realization of the success of this enormous project, from its inception up until this point of its official launch. Your generosity is highly appreciated.
8. I also take this opportunity to thank the Quality Awards Sponsors, Swakop Uranium, Ohlthaver & List, Capricorn Group and Coca cola, without your generous support, this event would not have been a success today.
9. To the judges your efforts and dedication to the task at hand has led to the success of this function. Your selfless sacrifice for this important national assignment is highly commendable and deservedly appreciated with all humility from our side.

10. I would like to thank all of you for gracing this event with your presence. Your presence here today, demonstrate your support to the mandate of the Namibian Standards Institution (NSI) as well as your appreciation towards the benefits that comes with the use and application of standards in our everyday lives.
11. Finally, I would like to thank the NSI Team and the Organizing Committee Members, who have worked extremely hard, organizing this celebration. Congratulations for a job well done!
12. Since the National Quality Awards will as from now on be an annual event, we look forward to seeing you again in 2026.
13. Thank You and Good night to everyone,