

## Ashburton Summit explores new investment avenues

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Ashburton Investments Managers recently held a successful two-day Investment Summit that explored opportunities for investors in the current local and global economic landscape.

The Summit that took place on 14 and 15 March at Hilton Hotel in Windhoek and Strand Hotel in Swakopmund respectively saw presentations from key experts who shared insights on local and international markets as well as the current global investment trends.

Presenters included Ashburton Namibia CEO Taimi Shejavali, FirstRand Namibia Economist Ruusa Nandago, Ashburton Portfolio Manager Ralf Düvel and Ashburton South Africa Portfolio Manager Adam Drewry.

When delivering her speech, Ashburton Namibia CEO Taimi Shejavali said “this Summit comes on the backdrop of exciting developments in the country’s investment opportunities with the recent discovery of oil, implementation of green hydrogen projects and overall improvements in the economy. Despite global economic disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, Namibia has maintained a positive outlook and continues to offer key advantages for direct investment.”

“As Ashburton, we are here to show that we are determined to build a country that is driven by enterprise and innovation, to develop an economy that is diverse, resilient, and prosperous, and to create opportunities that achieve sustained returns not only for our clients, but also for the communities that support them” she said.

Shejavali further emphasised that Namibia has the right conditions to focus on accelerating economic development adding that the country can capitalise on improvements in the economy to address

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remaining challenges in attracting investment. “As a long-standing partner in development, Ashburton is committed to supporting Namibia in its journey to economic emancipation” she concluded.

The first of its kind for Ashburton, the Summit discussed topics ranging from the state of the Namibian and global economies, opportunities for investment, and Ashburton products, services as well as solutions for investors.

Ashburton Portfolio Manager Ralf Düvel gave focus to the Ashburton Income Fund, emphasising its top performance against peers and the benchmark over the last 7 years. He stated that it has been a long period of deliberate skill, research and experience that produced these sustained real returns. To become an investor in this fund, please contact Ashburton at [investments@ashburton.com.na](mailto:investments@ashburton.com.na)

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