

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BCLME	Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem Program
BoN	Bank of Namibia
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CBNRM	Community Based Natural Resource Management
CBO	Community Based Organisation
COP	Conference of the Parties (to CBD, UNCCD, and UNFCCC)
CPP	Country Pilot Partnership for Sustainable Land Management
CPST	Centre for Public Service Training
CRIAA	Centre for Research Information Action in Africa
CSO	Central Statistics Office
CST	Committee on Science and Technology (for UNCCD)
DEA	Directorate of Environmental Affairs (MET)
DGES	Department of Geography and Environmental Studies
DRFN	Desert Research Foundation of Namibia
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessments
EIS	Environmental Information Systems Unit
EMAA	Environmental Management and Assessment Act
EMIN	Environmental Monitoring Indicators Network
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FED	Farmers' Extension and Development Groups
FIRM	Forum for Integrated Resource Management
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GIS	Geographic Information System
GRN	Government of the Republic of Namibia
GTRC	Gobabeb Training and Research Centre
GTZ	German Agency for Technical Cooperation
HAN	Hospitality Association of Namibia
HIV/AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus / Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
IECN	Integrated Environmental Consultants Namibia
IPCC	Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change
Infocom	Information and Communication Project at the Environmental Information Systems Unit
IRDNC	Integrated Rural Development and Nature Conservation
LAC	Legal Assistance Centre
L/RA	Local and Regional Level Assessments
MAWRD	Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Rural Development
MBEC	Ministry of Basic Education and Culture
MCRRC	Marine and Coastal Resource Research Centre (UNAM)
MEA	Multilateral Environmental Agreement
MET	Ministry of Environment and Tourism
MFA	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
MFMR	Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources
MHA	Ministry of Home Affairs
MHETEC	Ministry of Higher Education, Training and Employment Creation
MLRR	Ministry of Lands, Resettlement and Rehabilitation
MME	Ministry of Mines and Energy
MoF	Ministry of Finance
MoHSS	Ministry of Health and Social Services
MoJ	Ministry of Justice
MRLGH	Ministry of Regional and Local Government and Housing
MTI	Ministry of Trade and Industry
MWTC	Ministry of Works, Transport and Communication
NABA	Namibia Biotechnology Alliance
NACOBTA	Namibia Community Based Tourism Association

NAC	National AIDS Committee
NACOP	National AIDS Co-ordination Program
NACSO	Namibian Association of Community-based Natural Resource Management Organisation
NAEC	National AIDS Executive Committee
NAMACOC	National Multi-sectoral AIDS Coordination Committee
NANGOF	Namibian NGO Forum
NAPCOD	Namibia's Program to Combat Desertification
NATH	Namibia Academy of Tourism and Hospitality
NATMIRC	National Marine Information and Research Centre
NAU	Namibia Agricultural Union
NBC	Namibian Broadcasting Corporation
NBRI	National Botanical Research Institute
NBSAP	Namibia Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan
NCBA	National Capacity Building Assessment
NCSA	National Capacity Needs Self-Assessment
NDC	Namibian Development Cooperation
NDP	National Development Plan
NEEN	Namibian Environmental Education Network
NEPRU	Namibia's Economic Policy Research Unit
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation
NIED	National Institute for Education and Development
NNBP	Namibia National Biodiversity Program
NNF	Namibia Nature Foundation
NNFU	Namibia National Farmers Union
NOLIDEP	Northern Livestock Development Project
NORAD	Norwegian Aid Organisation
NPC	National Planning Commission
OAG	Office of the Auditor General
PACT	Partnership for Capacity Building
PON	Polytechnic of Namibia
PRA	Participatory Rural Appraisal
RACOC	Regional AIDS Coordinating Committee
RC	Regional Council
RDP	Regional Development Plan
SABONET	Southern African Biodiversity Network
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SAIEA	Southern African Institute for Environmental Assessment
SARDEP	Sustainable Animal and Range Development Program
SBSTA	Subsidiary Body on Scientific & Technological Advise (for UNFCCC)
SDP	Summer Desertification Program
SOER	State of the environment report
STI	Sexual Transmitted Infections
SWOT	Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats
TB	Tuberculosis
TT	Technology Transfer
UNAM	University of Namibia
UNCCD	United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UNEP	United Nations Environmental Program
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNGASS	United Nations General Assembly Special Session
WASCOM	Wage and Salary Commission