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CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF NBI'S IMPACT!

For **three decades**, the [National Business Initiative \(NBI\)](#) has been more than just a champion of sustainability—it's been the cornerstone of resilient businesses and thriving economies. As a valued member, you are part of a forward-thinking community that drives real change through collaboration, innovation, and leadership. Together, we have embedded sustainability at the heart of business strategy—creating lasting impact for people, planet, and prosperity. **Here's to 30 years of progress, and to shaping a sustainable future for generations to come!**

To learn more about membership, contact [Gillian Hutchings](#),
Head of Membership & Communications.

Join us as we continue shaping a resilient, inclusive, and sustainable tomorrow.

EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES AT THE NBI

Apply and become part of a movement shaping South Africa's future. Work with leading businesses and institutions to drive real impact in an inclusive and dynamic environment.

Job Vacancy: Senior Project Manager – TAMDEV

We are looking for a skilled and driven Senior Project Manager to support the delivery of impactful municipal and technical projects for our Technical Assistance, Mentorship and Development (TAMDEV) Programme.

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WE ARE HIRING!

CLOSING DATE | 14 June 2025

AVAILABLE POSITION
SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER

Must have extensive project management experience:

- ✓ Strengthen the NBI's presence in the developmental and infrastructure space in the country.
- ✓ Build strong relationships with private and public sectors in relation to infrastructure and sustainable finance.

APPLY TODAY!
Visit NBI's website for more information: www.nbi.org.za



WE ARE HIRING

OPEN ROLE:
ADMINISTRATOR

The NBI is seeking a highly organised and focused Administrator to support the successful delivery of the JET Skilling Programme. Visit NBI's website for more information: www.nbi.org.za

CLOSING DATE: 22 JUNE 2025

Job Vacancy: Administrator – Just Energy Transition Skilling for Employment Programme

We are looking for a highly organised and focused Administrator to coordinate support ensuring seamless project delivery. If you are an excellent communicator, a team player, and have a passion for administration — we would love to hear from you.

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NBI DRIVING CHANGE: ETHICAL SUPPLIER PROJECT LAUNCH

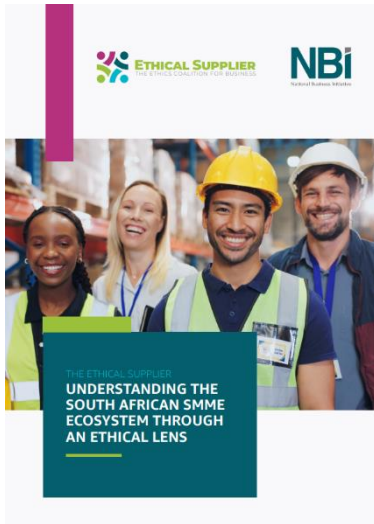
We recently launched the Ethical Supplier: Ethics Coalition for Business (EC4B) Project, a transformative initiative designed to tackle systemic corruption, reform public procurement, and equip Small, Medium, and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) with the tools to compete fairly in South Africa's economy. The NBI's project offers practical, business-led solutions:

- **SMME Research Report:** Insights into barriers and challenges facing small businesses in ethical practices.
- **"Tips and Tales" Guide:** Learning and capacity building through knowledge sharing and real-world cases to build sustainable strategies, navigate bid rigging and compliance pitfalls.
- **E-Learning Platform:** Continuous learning to turn ethics into a competitive edge.
- **Integrity Talks Podcast:** Candid discussions with industry leaders (Sappi Southern Africa, Aurex Constructors and bp Southern Africa) on sharing best practice and rooting out corruption.

**Ethical Supplier Project
Report**

**Ethical Supplier Project:
Expression of Interest**

**Integrity Talks Podcast
Series**



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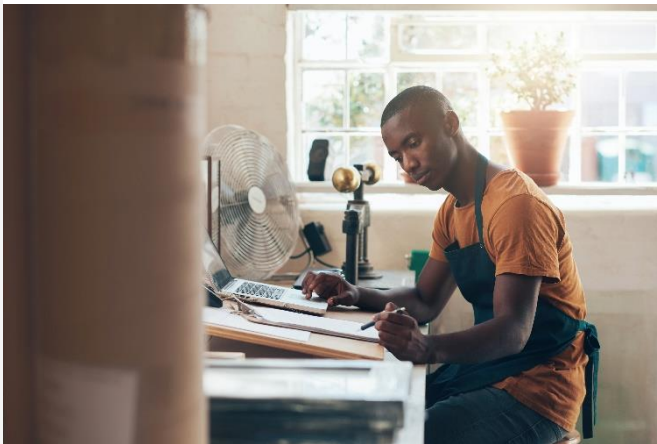


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EXPLORE GROUNDBREAKING INNOVATIONS FROM NBI MEMBER COMPANIES



Financial services firm Standard Bank Business and Commercial Banking (BCB), and business school **Gordon Institute of Business Science's (GIBS's)** Entrepreneurship Development Academy (EDA) have opened applications for the 2025 Youth Forward Programme to empower 50 black youth-owned businesses with the tools and support to drive sustainable growth in the tough economic climate.

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In a landmark development for residential sustainability, **Standard Bank's** LookSee has partnered exclusively with the South African National Development Energy Institute (SANEDI) to launch the country's first energy and carbon certification for existing homes.

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Nedbank, a recognised leader in sustainable development finance and purpose-led banking, officially announces the launch of The Greenhouse — a bold and catalytic initiative introduced under its Green Economy Social Impact Strategy, in partnership with FURTHER. The Greenhouse is a purpose-built platform designed to identify, empower, and scale the next generation of green economy entrepreneurs in South Africa.

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Discovery Green, a **Discovery Limited** business, in partnership with global energy company **Sasol**, announced the launch of Ampli Energy – a market-first month-to-month renewable energy product that gives South African businesses of all sizes immediate access to green energy at scale through the national grid.

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Implementing *outcome-based metrics* to scale regenerative agriculture



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Implementing outcome-based metrics to scale regenerative agriculture

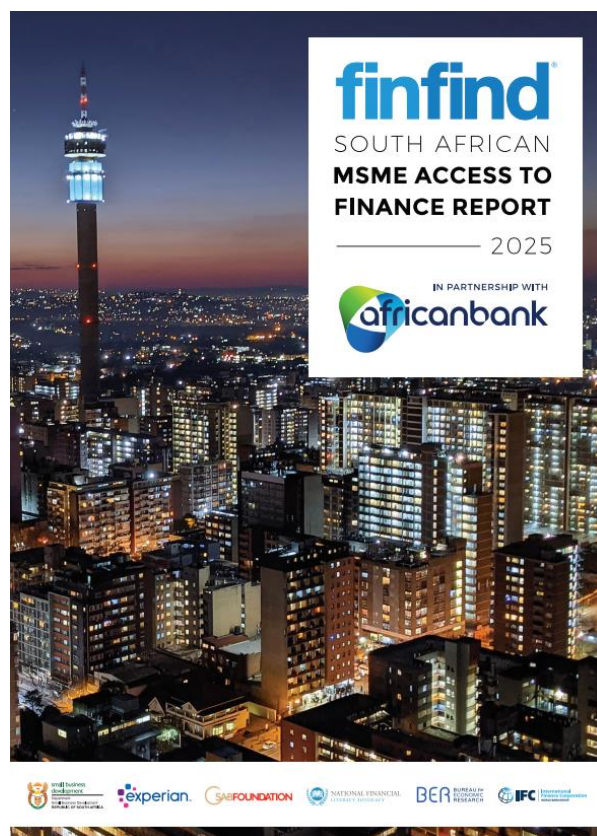
This report assesses the publicly disclosed information of 38 leading agri-food companies. It reveals growing momentum: businesses have converged on a shared vision for regenerative agriculture, aligned on 11 outcomes, and are beginning to implement indicators and metrics that show sectoral uptake. These holistic outcomes represent best practice in adaptation and measurement according to local contexts and the indicators that go with them, all with the same imperative: avoid further conversion of natural ecosystems.

[Read more](#)

The 'South African MSME Access to Finance 2025' report has showed that there is insufficient, and insufficiently granular, data on lending to small businesses, and South Africa should align with other international governmental organisation Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) countries' practices of publishing small business lending statistics.

The purpose of the new report, which the partners aim to produce yearly, is to provide data on the small, medium-sized and microenterprise (SMME) market to understand the challenges and how they can be solved.

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NBI IN PERSON EVENTS/WEBINARS/MEETINGS



NBI events unite leaders and visionaries to drive bold climate action, inclusive economic growth, innovative capacity building and transformative solutions for South Africa's greatest challenges.

GLOBAL EVENTS/MEETINGS/CONFERENCE/WEBINAR 2025

Economic Outlook Conference 2025

Date: 10 June 2025

Venue: GIBS - Illovo, Johannesburg

[Register](#)



Women in POWER Breakfast 2025

Date: 09 July 2025

Venue: GIBS - Illovo, Johannesburg

[Register](#)

**2nd International Conference on Net-Zero
Built Environment: Innovations in
Materials, Structures, and Management
Practices**

Date: 05 – 07 November 2025

Location: Cape Town, South Africa



[Register](#)

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The National Business Initiative (NBI) is an independent and voluntary coalition of South African and multinational businesses launched in 1995 by the then President, Nelson Mandela.

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