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A ROADMAP FOR THE PAST 3 DECADES

For 30 years, the **National Business Initiative (NBI)** has been more than a champion of sustainability, we have been catalysts for resilient businesses, inclusive growth and thriving economies. As a valued member, you are part of a forward-thinking network driving real change through collaboration, innovation and leadership. Together, we have embedded sustainability at the heart of business strategy.

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

[Join us as we invest in the next generation of leaders, innovators, and changemakers.](#)

NBI DRIVING CHANGE AND TRANSFORMATION

GEARING TRANSITION FINANCE to Enable Social and Economic Inclusion

June 2025



Gearing Transition Finance to Enable Social and Economic Inclusion: NBI Transition Finance Report 2025

The report urges urgent investment, supportive policy reform, and accessible finance for vulnerable communities and new green sectors.

[Read the full report](#)

Gauteng introduces an integrity pact for business aimed at fighting corruption

The Gauteng Provincial Government, in partnership with the Gauteng Ethics Advisory Council (GEAC), hosted a high-level consultative session with leaders of organised business formations to introduce and discuss the newly developed Ethical Procurement and Integrity Pact.

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Job Opportunity- Executive Assistant (Project Manager): Economic Inclusion Closing date: Friday, 29 August 2025

The NBI is seeking a candidate who is well presented, highly skilled and professional with impeccable attention to detail and the ability to handle all executive support tasks such as managing schedules, travel arrangements, coordinating diaries, minute taking, detailed reviewing and timeous distribution of documents.

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South Africa: Hlabisa Engages with Business on Review of White Paper on Local Government

The Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (CoGTA), Velenkosini Hlabisa, has wrapped up the fourth strategic CoGTA-National Business Initiative (NBI) Roundtable focused on reviewing the 1998 White Paper on Local Government.

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Request for Proposals: Audit services of the KfW Development Bank account for the duration of Phases I and II for the Skills and Employment Programme in support of the NBI led Installation, Repair and Maintenance (IRM) initiative.

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This Women's Month, the **National Business Initiative (NBI)** turns the spotlight on the intersection of climate finance and gender equity.

Inclusive finance is smart finance. Closing the gender pay gap builds climate resilience.

Be part of the shift. Watch this space! Get ready for a campaign that honors real stories, real accountability and real impact.

Follow the campaign on our social media platforms!



EXPLORE GROUNDBREAKING INNOVATIONS FROM NBI MEMBER COMPANIES



Financial services provider **Sanlam** has unveiled a 3 MW solar PV plant at its Bellville head office, in Cape Town. The installation powers Sanlam's Bellville campus, which significantly reduces its reliance on the national grid, but is also designed to feed surplus energy back into the grid in the near future, thereby contributing to South Africa's broader energy resilience goals.

[Read more](#)

At the recent Africa Digital Parliamentary Summit, **Genesis Analytics** and GSMA presented a report on digital health, laying out a roadmap for transforming healthcare delivery across the continent.



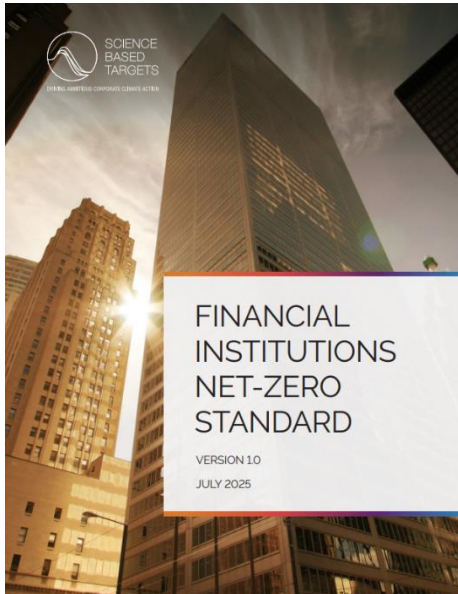
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The **Astron Energy** Refinery in Cape Town plays a key role in ensuring security of supply for South Africa, as well as supporting important sectors of the economy, including mining.



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SBTi launches the Financial Institutions Net-Zero Standard

In July 2025, the SBTi launched its first Financial Institutions Net-Zero Standard—a science-based, robust, and credible framework that enables financial institutions to align financial flows with pathways to limit global warming and achieve net-zero emissions by no later than 2050.

[Read more](#)

A global initiative that includes over 100 companies with operations in South Africa says the government needs to urgently implement policy reforms to adopt renewable energy.

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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.



Bold and Collaborative Effort to Tackle Youth Employability and Build an Inclusive Economy

Date: Tuesday, 05 August 2025

Time: 10:00-12:00 (SAST)

[**RSVP**](#)

Note the Date:

NBI Membership Council Meeting

Date: Wednesday, 06 August 2025



GLOBAL EVENTS/MEETINGS/CONFERENCE/WEBINAR 2025



The Time is Now: How and Why Local Governments Should Shape the Energy Systems of The Future

Date: Wednesday, 13 August 2025

Time: 4:00 - 5:00pm EDT

Online Event

[**Find out more**](#)

Leading Sustainable Businesses

Date: Thursday, 21 August

Time: 15:00 - 15:30 (Europe/Paris time zone)

[**Find out more**](#)





World Water Week 2025

Date: 24 - 28 August 2025

Venue: Online and in Stockholm, Sweden

[Find out more](#)

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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