



Accelerating Sustainable Private Investments in Renewable Energy (ASPIRE)

EU contribution: € 5,500,000 (approx. BWP 79 million)

Period of implementation: 2026 - 2029

Location: Botswana, country wide

Implementing organisation(s): NIRAS International Consulting

Project objectives and description: The overall objective is to contribute to Botswana's sustainable energy transition by supporting policy, institutional, and technical developments in the energy sector. The specific objectives are threefold: (1) strengthen institutional capacities and support regulatory reforms in the energy sector, (2) enhance energy efficiency measures and related actions across relevant sectors, and (3) increase renewable energy generation and improve energy access by promoting the use of locally available energy sources.

To achieve these objectives, the action will implement a range of complementary activities, such as capacity-building for officials of public entities, as well as specialised training for renewable energy and energy efficiency professionals. The project will also support the revision and upgrading of institutional and regulatory frameworks and assist in the development and adoption of standards for renewable energy and energy efficiency equipment. In addition, it will contribute to the elaboration, revision, and implementation of sector strategies and action plans, and support the preparation of feasibility studies for renewable energy and energy efficiency projects. Awareness-raising campaigns targeting various stakeholder groups will be organised, and pilot projects—particularly in the field of energy efficiency—will be implemented to demonstrate practical solutions.

Achievements / expected results:

As a result of these interventions, the action is expected to deliver tangible outputs aligned with its specific objectives. These include strengthened institutional capacities and improved regulatory frameworks, enhanced energy efficiency measures and practices, and increased renewable energy generation and energy access through the use of locally available energy resources.

Incoming public / visibility events: launch expected in June-July 2026

Project website / Social media account links:

- https://www.facebook.com/euinbotswana/photos/very-inspired-to-hear-vice-president-ndaba-gaolathes-vision-for-botswana-to-be-t/576025034813129/?_rdr
- <https://www.facebook.com/euinbotswana/posts/the-european-unions-funded-accelerating-sustainable-and-productive-investment-in/923535970062032/>