



WALVIS BAY
CORRIDOR
GROUP



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Connecting Southern Africa
to the Rest of the World



SAFE, EFFICIENT & RELIABLE GATEWAY

The Walvis Bay Corridors are positioned to give Namibia a competitive edge as a logistics hub for all regional and international trade between the Southern African Development Community (SADC), Europe, the America's and the rest of the world. Through its world-class commercial ports at Walvis Bay and Lüderitz, international shipping connection and the added advantage of being a gateway to the west coast of Africa, Namibia plays an increasingly important role in trade, linking the global economic centres to over 330 million consumers in southern Africa.

The Walvis Bay Corridor Group (WBCG), was established in 2000 to engage in business development activities, aimed at increasing cargo for the Namibian ports and Walvis Bay Corridors, as well as to facilitate corridor and infrastructure development. Costs and time savings are achieved along the Walvis Bay Corridors by offering the safest, efficient and shortest possible regional route on the west coast, making them the preferred choice for customers seeking reliable and competitive supply chain solutions in SADC. Based on the track record on corridor development, the WBCG was mandated by the Government of the Republic of Namibia as the implementing agency of realizing Namibia's vision of becoming a Logistics Hub for SADC.

OUR MEMBERS

The WBCG's main organisational strength is its unique public-private partnership (PPP) set-up of transport and logistics stakeholders from both the public and private sector. Our members are:

The Ministry of Works and Transport; Ministry of Industrialisation and Trade; Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security; Namibia Revenue Agency; Namibian Ports Authority; Municipality of Walvis Bay; Road Fund Administration; Roads Authority; Namibia Airports Company; TransNamib; Walvis Bay Port Users Association; Container Liners Operators Forum; Namibia Chamber of Commerce and Industry; and, the Namibia Transporters Association.



OUR CORRIDORS

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The Trans Kalahari Corridor

Connecting the Port of Walvis Bay to Botswana and South Africa, and by extension Zimbabwe.

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The Walvis Bay–Ndola–Lubumbashi Development Corridor

Connecting the Port of Walvis Bay to Zambia, Zimbabwe, DRC, and by extension Malawi.

3

The Trans–Cunene Corridor

Connecting the Port of Walvis Bay to Angola.

4

The Trans–Oranje Corridor

Connecting the Port of Lüderitz to South Africa.

All of the above corridors are designed for efficiency and seamless trade, with all major border posts in Namibia operating 24 hours a day. This around-the-clock service ensures that goods can move swiftly, without interruption, while our pre-clearance procedures minimize delays and optimize the flow of goods across borders.

OUR BENEFITS

THE CORE BENEFITS OF THE WALVIS BAY CORRIDORS ARE:

- ✓ Time savings;
- ✓ Cost savings;
- ✓ High safety and security standards, and
- ✓ The reliability of the Walvis Bay Corridor Group systems.

THESE CORE BENEFITS ARE ENABLED THROUGH:

- ✓ Minimal sea-borne transit times from the Port of Walvis Bay;
- ✓ No port delays due to congestion or weather conditions;
- ✓ Fast and efficient inland transit operations, resulting in considerable time savings of at least a week due to shorter transit times; Competitive pricing structures;
- ✓ high safety and security standards ensured through container satellite tracking systems and port security surveillance cameras;
- ✓ A record of zero pilferage at Nampont, and
- ✓ improved capacity at the ports, and road and rail maintenance – resulting in modern and first-class transport infrastructure, in turn ensuring reliability and predictability of cargo deliveries.

Regionally, the Walvis Bay Corridors stimulate the economy by increasing the global competitiveness of both Namibia and its neighbouring countries. Importing becomes more affordable, while exports have efficient and affordable access to foreign markets. Increased use of the infrastructure also contributes to the efficiency of the transport system, optimises the use of the existing transport network, and reduces costs.

A HEALTHY WORKFORCE IS A PRODUCTIVE WORKFORCE

At the Walvis Bay Corridor Group (WBCG), we are committed to advancing the health and well-being of who power the transport and logistics sector. Our Roadside Wellness Clinics are strategically located along all the Walvis Bay Corridors in Namibia and extend to key trade hubs such as Zambia (Kasumbalesa Border Post), DRC (Kasumbalesa & Lufu Border Posts), and Angola (Luvo Border Post). Through a dynamic approach that combines these fixed roadside clinics with mobile wellness clinics and workplace wellness interventions, we deliver comprehensive, accessible and practical solutions. By fostering PPP, we drive sustainable health and wellness practices that not only benefit individual workers but also ensure the long-term success and efficiency of the transport and logistics industry.

OUR FUTURE AWAITS

Namibia has an important role to play as a strategic link to Southern Africa. With Walvis Bay now firmly established as the preferred gateway to and from Southern Africa, and Lüderitz transforming into an energy hub. WBCG is continuously seeking ways to take the corridors to greater heights to maximise the social and economic benefits for Namibia and for the Southern African region as a whole. Through our regional and global footprint, the Walvis Bay Corridors are well positioned to engage cargo owners, shipping lines, and supply chain decision-makers, to divert cargo from other trade routes to the Walvis Bay Corridors. The WBCG headquartered in Windhoek, Namibia, currently has offices in Johannesburg- South Africa, Lusaka- Zambia, and Lubumbashi-DRC.



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