



# Polytechnic of Namibia is No More

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The institution previously known as the Polytechnic of Namibia is now officially functioning as the Namibia University of Science and Technology.

This was announced in the Government Gazette dated 16 November 2015, by the Minister of Higher Education, Training and Innovation, Dr Itah Kandjii-Murangi.

Prof Tjama Tjivikua, whose designation has since been changed to Vice-Chancellor, in line with the new university status, said "This also means that as of now, all students who complete their studies will receive NUST certificates, even though they studied at the institution that was known as Polytechnic".

The Chancellor of the University will in due course be nominated by the institution's Council. The announcement is expected to be made in 2016. Other changes include the renaming of the Schools to Faculties, while the Professor title will be bestowed upon all Directors in the academic departments.

Whilst the name and the new logos of the university are now in use, the official NUST inaugural event is slated for 2016 where the full unveiling and rebranding of the new institution will be conducted.

"I want to extend our profound gratitude to the Namibian people, the government, the administration, every parent, every student, every alumnus and everybody else for having contributed so immensely to our growth," says Tjivikua.

NUST is the country's premier university of science and technology, with the ultimate objective of preparing future leaders for a knowledge-based economy.

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