

13 Jackson Kaujeua Street T: +264 61 207 2225 / 2250 Private Bag 13388 Windhoek NAMIBIA

F: +264 61 207 9225 E: dcei@nust.na W: www.nust.na

Friday, 03 October 2025

## Media Release: NUST to Confer Honorary Doctorate Upon Bernhard Zaaruka

The Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST) will confer an honorary doctorate upon Mr Bernhard Zaaruka at the October Graduation Ceremony on Friday, 10 October 2025.

Mr Zaaruka, a renowned entrepreneur and philanthropist, is celebrated for his transformative role in Namibia's business landscape and his far-reaching contributions to national development achievements that will be recognised through the conferment of a Doctor of Philosophy in Entrepreneurship (Honoris Causa).

Rising from humble beginnings in Windhoek's Old Location, he has built a portfolio of multimillion-dollar enterprises that have created jobs, advanced infrastructure, and reshaped communities, particularly in northern Namibia.

A pioneer in construction and real estate, Mr Zaaruka has consistently demonstrated vision and resilience. His work has contributed to the expansion of commercial centres, housing, and social infrastructure, while also uplifting entrepreneurs and underserved communities across the country.

The conferment of this honorary doctorate reaffirms the University's position as a catalyst for national development — honouring leaders whose vision and achievements mirror NUST's mission to drive innovation, foster inclusive growth, and shape Namibia's future through knowledge and enterprise.

## **Event Details**

Date: Friday, 10 October 2025

Time: 08:00 (Guests to be seated at 07:00)

Venue: Mercure Hotel, Windhoek

## Issued by:

Department of Corporate Engagement and Internationalisation communications@nust.na

**Enquiries:** 

Ms Cindy van Wyk **Public Relations Officer** cvanwyk@nust.na