



NamTip Winter School: Identifying, Preventing and Reversing Tipping Points in Social-Ecological Systems

Description: <u>NamTip</u> is a joint German-Namibian research project aiming at gaining a better knowledge on the development of social-ecological tipping points in savannah rangelands, and to explore management options for preventing them or restoring degraded ecosystems. As part of our project's capacity building activities, we organize this Winter School.

When: Monday 16 June – Saturday 21 June 2025

Where: Okatjikona Environmental Education Centre, Greater Waterberg Landscape Region, Namibia

Target participants: Current and recently graduated Honours and Master's students in relevant fields

Contents: a combination of theoretical & practical modules / excursions will be offered on the following topics:

- Assessing degradation state of soil and grass layers
- Using drones to map rangeland degradation
- Rangeland restoration measures
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation

- Understanding social-ecological systems
- How to study tipping points from an anthropological perspective
- Policy analysis and modelling exercises

All participants' costs (transport from/to Windhoek, accommodation, food) will be covered by the NamTip project.

Please send your application to Dr. Nesongano or Dr. Mbidzo by 7 March 2025, including a short motivation letter, your CV, and copies of your academic certificates. Please also indicate whether you have your own laptop.

You are interested or have further questions? **Please contact: University of Namibia:** Dr. W. Clara Nesongano (cnesongano@unam.na) Namibia University of Science and Technology: Dr. Meed Mbidzo (mmbidzo@nust.na) NamTip Project Coordination: Thomas Bringhenti (thomas.bringhenti@unipotsdam.de)

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